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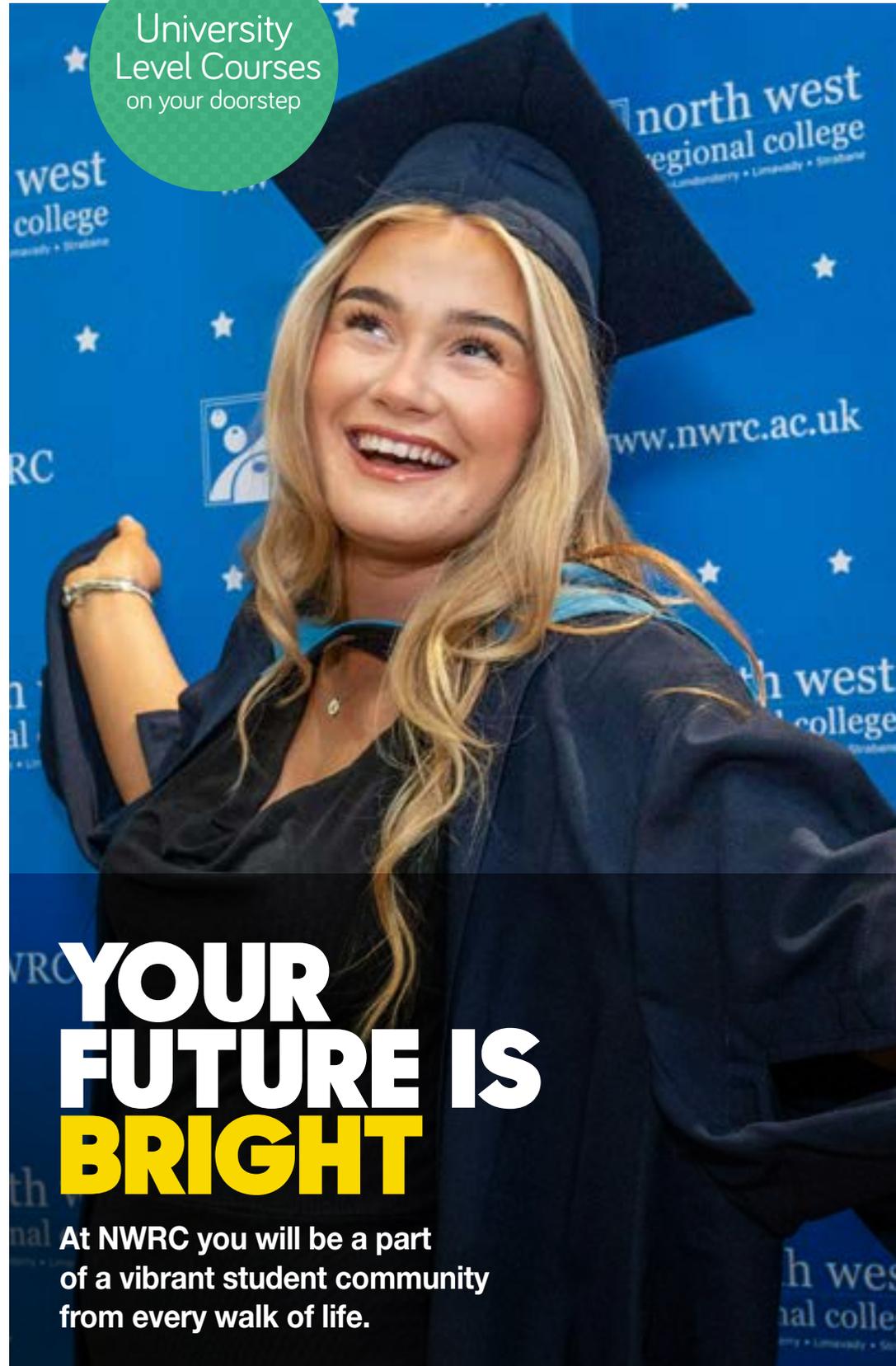
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# YOUR FUTURE IS BRIGHT

At NWRC you will be a part  
of a vibrant student community  
from every walk of life.

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# YOUR COLLEGE



# Principal's Welcome



**Leo Murphy**  
*Principal and Chief Executive*



## Thank you for considering North West Regional College (NWRC) as the next step in your career journey.

We are a vibrant, diverse and multi award winning College where our students are at the heart of all that we do. We aim to provide you with every opportunity to gain the skills, qualifications and experience you need to succeed on your study programme or apprenticeship, to allow you to progress onto higher level study and to gain rewarding work in the career you choose.

We work hard to ensure you receive the highest standard of practical and learning support during your time at the College.

This year NWRC was delighted to receive the Queen Elizabeth Prize for Education, widely regarded as the highest national honour in further and higher education in the UK.

Our lecturers are experts in their field and courses are delivered in state-of-the-art, industry standard teaching and training facilities

which are continually being reviewed and updated.

Our friendly support staff are always on hand to provide you with advice and any additional support you may need, in an enriching and inclusive environment.

I am especially proud of the new portfolio of university level courses we are offering once again this year with the Open University - a significant development for higher education across our City and Region.

Join our Students' Union and get involved in a number of exciting activities organised by staff and students during the year, or take part in the wide range of social and sporting opportunities on offer.

This course guide aims to provide you with the information you need to make the right choice about your future.

I look forward to meeting you in September, and I wish you the very best of luck with your studies in our College.



# Reasons to Love NWRC

Queen Elizabeth Prize for Education  
Winner 2025

95%  
of UK Universities<sup>2</sup>  
accept BTEC Qualifications  
(including top universities from the Russell Group)

Financial Support  
available to fund your studies

Our Level 3 Extended Diplomas are equivalent to 3 A-Levels  
Recognised by employers and top universities

Celebrate at our annual Graduation Ceremony<sup>3</sup>

Smaller Class Sizes  
than university mean you get more 1-to-1 support

Study and Train Abroad for free  
on our International programmes

Free College Gym  
with the latest equipment

98%  
of students would recommend NWRC to a friend<sup>1</sup>

15%  
Student Discount at our Hair & Beauty Salons

Work Placements to enhance your employability

No Tuition Fees\*  
\*All full-time FE courses (Level 1-3) are free

# Campus Facilities

## Strand Road Campus

Our largest campus, situated alongside the city's picturesque quayside, boasts industry-standard, cutting-edge facilities to support your learning. Conveniently located only 10 mins by foot from Foyle Street bus station. Facilities include:

- Gym and Fitness Suite
- Art and Design studios
- Hair and Beauty salons with thermal spa\*
- 170-seat performance theatre
- Dance studio
- Music recording studio
- TV production studio
- Photography studio
- News and Radio studio
- Multimedia computing suites with the latest industry software
- The Flying Clipper fine-dining restaurant, café and barista bar\*
- Fully-equipped Science, ICT and Engineering Labs
- Library and Learning Resource Centre
- Open access Careers Academy
- Innovation Centres – DIAL (Design Innovation for Assisted Living) and Foodovation

## Springtown Campus

We have recently completed a multi-million pound redevelopment of our Springtown campus following investment from the Department for the Economy (DfE), including our new innovative i4.0 Centre.

This funding has delivered a vibrant, state-of-the-art learning environment for Apprenticeships and Traineeships in areas such as:

- Brickwork
- Carpentry and joinery
- Electrical installation
- Fabrication and welding
- Horticulture
- Motor vehicle maintenance and repair
- Plumbing

## Limavady Campus

Providing learning and training to the Limavady Borough for more than 100 years. Facilities include:

- Dental surgery
- Veterinary nursing lab
- Hair and Beauty salons\*
- Garnett's fine-dining restaurant\*
- Art and Design wing and creative studios
- Sport and fitness testing lab
- Health science laboratory
- IT and multimedia suites
- Library and Learning Resource Centre

## Greystone Campus

This state-of-the-art training facility based in Limavady features the latest equipment and technology for courses in Engineering, Construction, Wood Occupations, Brickwork, Tiling and Motor Vehicle Maintenance.

Our Product Design Centre, also based at Greystone campus, helps entrepreneurs create new products, taking them from conception to production. This specialist innovation centre is the first of its kind in the North West.

## Strabane Campus

Located centrally in the heart of the town, Strabane campus offers first rate teaching in a traditional listed building, supported by an additional extension and refurbished with modern facilities, including:

- Hair and Beauty salons\*
- Vocational training workshops
- Horticulture greenhouse and garden
- Fully resourced IT suite and classrooms
- Library and Learning Resource Centre
- Students' Union

 **Book a Campus Tour**  
[marketing@nwr.ac.uk](mailto:marketing@nwr.ac.uk)

 **Find out more**  
[nwr.ac.uk/our-campus](http://nwr.ac.uk/our-campus)



▲ Strand Road Campus



Limavady Campus ▲



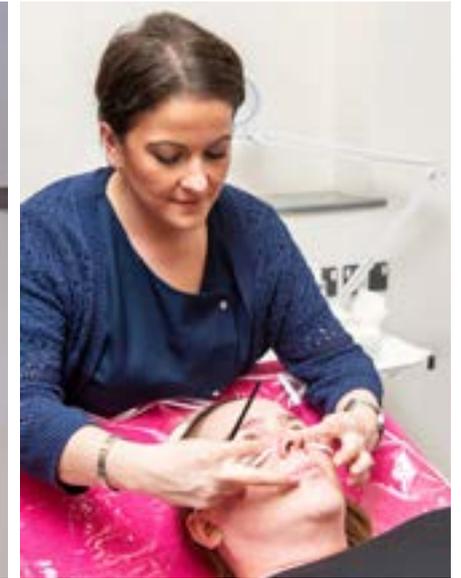
▲ Strabane Campus



Springtown Campus ▲



▲ Greystone Campus



# College Highlights

It has been an incredible year for NWRC. We are immensely proud of the achievements of our staff and students. Here are some of our biggest awards and success stories from 2025.

## SSE scholarships for students

Twenty-four students received a prestigious SSE Renewables Scholarship to support them in their studies.

This is the seventh year that SSE has supported students from the college and to date 162 of NWRC's Higher Education students have been awarded scholarships, sharing a total fund value of £322,294.

Candidates who received bursaries this year are studying across a range of curriculum areas including Media and Journalism, Art & Design, Computing, Renewable Technologies, Science, and Music Production.

## NWRC Recognised as a 'College for All' Through Sanctuary Status

NWRC received the College of Sanctuary accreditation in recognition of its ongoing commitment to creating a welcoming environment for people seeking sanctuary. It recognises places of education that show outstanding commitment to fostering a sense of belonging and understanding among its diverse student community.



## JP McManus Scholarship for Jessica

Level 3 Health and Social Care graduate Jessica Gibson from Limavady Campus was awarded the prestigious JP McManus All Ireland Scholarship. Jessica is currently studying Psychology at Ulster University, Coleraine, while also running her own business, A to Z Dog Training, which she hopes to expand further after graduation.

## Anti-Racism award for Bronagh

NWRC's Bronagh Fikri was named Anti-Racism Teacher of the Year at the Advancing Race Equality Awards, and Student Frank Nwanonenyi was a shortlisted finalist in the Young leader award.

## Highly recommended

The college received three Highly Recommended prizes at the OCN Learning Endeavour Awards 2025 at Titanic Belfast - Sunjoo Choi for Further Education Learner of the Year, Anna McGonigle for Trainee/Apprenticeship Learner of the Year, and NWRC for Provider of the Year.

## TechTides at NWRC

More than 160 pupils attended NWRC's Foyle Theatre for the first ever TechTides Youth conference, an event to showcase the technological and entrepreneurial opportunities available to our young people. Students heard from a selection of inspiring guest speakers who explained their journey into tech and business and motivated those who attended to take their next steps.

## NWRC Wins Prestigious Queen Elizabeth Prize

NWRC was awarded the prestigious 2025 Queen Elizabeth Prize for Education, recognising its outstanding work in business support.

The college's Business Support Team was chosen for the honour, acknowledging their work partnering with more than 400 businesses annually through applied research, skills, and workforce development.

The Queen Elizabeth Award is widely regarded as the highest national honour in further and higher education in the UK.



# STUDENT LIFE



# Sports, Clubs & Events

**Life at NWRC is about so much more than just studying. It is also about broadening your horizons by embracing new experiences and building friendships right across the College.**

## Sports Clubs

If you're feeling sporty we offer a wide range of sporting activities through our Students' Union. From football to martial arts, basketball to outdoor pursuits, we've got plenty to keep you busy!

The College has a fully-equipped gym (located at Strand Road campus) which is free for all NWRC students.

## Clubs and Societies

A fantastic way to make the most of your time at NWRC is to join one (or more!) of the many clubs and societies that the College has to offer. They are all **100% free** so there's no reason not to get involved.

If you can't find a club or society that floats your boat, then why not set up your own? All you need are a number of like-minded people to help you run it, then simply contact us and we will sort out the rest.

- Football / Gaelic
- Basketball
- Self Defence
- Outdoor Pursuits
- Gaming
- LGBTQIA+
- K-Pop
- Sustainability
- Book Club
- Anime
- Dungeons & Dragons
- Table Top Gaming
- Debate
- Art & Design
- Film Club
- Music & Performing Arts

## College Open Days

Tour the facilities, meet our award-winning staff and chat with current students to find out why NWRC is the right choice for you. Missed Open Day? Why not book a tour of our facilities by emailing [marketing@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:marketing@nwrc.ac.uk).



## Freshers' Day

Freshers' Day is an amazing opportunity for you to find out about the best of what our College has to offer! Come along to meet Student Services, your Students' Union team and to take part in lots of fun, interactive activities.

And don't forget to grab yourself some freebies too!

## Graduation

Every year we celebrate the achievements of our Access and Higher Education students with a prestigious Graduation ceremony held in the Millennium Forum. The ceremony is followed by live entertainment, refreshments and photography to ensure amazing memories from the day are captured.

## Live Shows and Performances

Our Music and Performing Arts students consistently take center stage with their live performances.

In recent years, they have presented various productions in our Foyle Theatre, including adaptations of Pulp Fiction, Reservoir Dogs, The Big Lebowski, Shaun of the Dead, Superstar Live and Shakespeare plays.

## Showcases and Competitions

We frequently deliver popular showcases in Art & Design, Hair & Beauty and Hospitality, with competitions on-going throughout the year. Students studying a vocational course also have the opportunity to battle it out for the chance to represent the College in local, regional and international Worldskills competitions.

## Masterclasses

We host successful masterclasses throughout the year, giving students the opportunity to learn from leading professionals and influencers. Those we have welcomed to the College in recent years include Louis Walsh (Former X-Factor Judge), Martin O'Neill (Former ROI Football Manager) and Damien McGinty (Glee).

 Find out more  
[nwrc.ac.uk/events](http://nwrc.ac.uk/events)



# Global Opportunities

We offer students the opportunity to train, study or attend skills competitions abroad; our international programmes can range in duration from one week to one academic year.

**Travel for Free!**  
 Funding will help to cover travel, accommodation, meals, visa and training costs.



### Adventure Awaits!

Our International projects give you the opportunity to enhance your learning experience, improve your self-confidence, grow aspirations and develop real-life skills and boost employability, as well as enjoy and experience another culture.

Many of these opportunities are funded through the likes of the UK Government's Turing Scheme programme or EC's Erasmus+ programme; with additional funding and support available for students with special educational needs and disabilities, and from low-income households.

Students have participated in projects to countries across Europe including Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal and Spain and further afield such as Canada, Hong Kong, Japan and the USA.

Students also have the opportunity to apply to the British Council's 'Study USA' programme and the 'Washington Ireland Programme for Service and Leadership'.

Cross border and international training opportunities for full-time Higher Education students are funded through Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science (DFHERIS).

 **Get in touch**  
[international@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:international@nwrc.ac.uk)  
 **Find out more**  
[nwrc.ac.uk/international](http://nwrc.ac.uk/international)





# International Students

NWRC is a UKVI Highly Trusted Sponsor (HTS) with a licence to welcome students from across the globe.

You can find out more about the application and enrolment process for international students in the international section of the college website.

<https://www.nwrc.ac.uk/study/i-am/an-international-student>



**IMMANUEL MARTIN**  
Care and Health  
California

"I chose to study at NWRC because of the courses on offer. I found the options to be much more affordable than the alternatives"



**PEACE ODIOWE**  
Care and Health  
Nigeria

"I chose NWRC because of its excellent reputation and I've had an incredible experience! The staff are so supportive"



**ZUZANNA ROTUSKA**  
Performing Arts  
Poland

"I choose to study at NWRC because the course offered so much variety and I felt like it would expand my portfolio of skills"



**FLOURISH AKINPELU**  
Early Years  
Nigeria

"Browsing the College website back home I thought NWRC looked like the ideal place to restart my academic journey"

# BE THE FACE OF NWRC.



**STUDENT  
AMBASSADOR  
PROGRAMME**  
[nwrc.ac.uk/ambassador](http://nwrc.ac.uk/ambassador)



# A PICTURE PAINTS A THOUSAND WORDS.

At North West Regional College we are incredibly proud of our vibrant and diverse student community.

To inspire others to follow in your footsteps we want to showcase the college experience through the images and stories of real NWRC students.

### WHAT'S INVOLVED?

Join our Student Ambassador programme and have your photograph taken to support the promotion of your college.

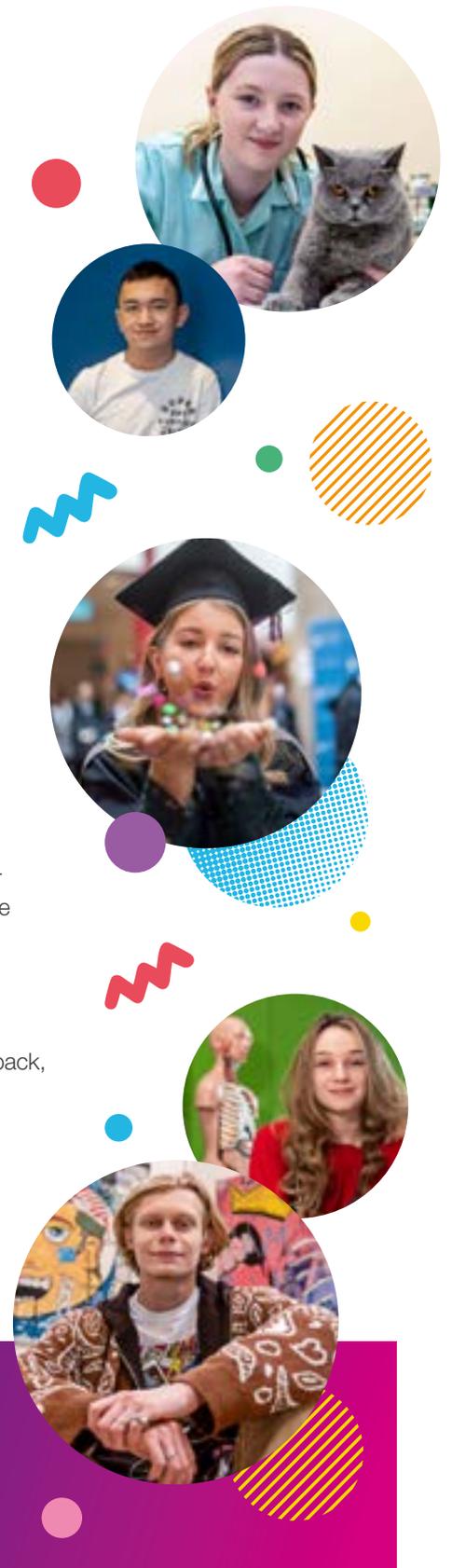
Your photo will be taken either in your learning environment or around campus, and will be considered for inclusion in College promotional activities such as our course guide, website, social media and press/media.

### WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- **FREE** Student Ambassador pack\* (includes a hoodie, backpack, stainless steel drinking bottle, headphones and more)
- Receive copies of your professional photographs
- Enhance your CV and UCAS application
- Develop new skills and work with a variety of people
- Receive a Certificate of Appreciation



◀ **SIGN UP NOW!**  
Scan here to sign up or visit  
[nwrc.ac.uk/ambassador](http://nwrc.ac.uk/ambassador)





# LEARNING & SUPPORT



## Supporting Your Study

Throughout your student journey, you will have access to our full range of support services, which includes careers guidance, mentoring, advice on finance options, professional development, health and wellbeing, learning support and more.

The Student Services team is your main source of support, information and guidance at college. It is made up of seven key support areas: the Careers Academy, Student Finance, Library, Students' Union, Learning Link, Safeguarding and Health & Wellbeing.

Tel: **028 7127 6045** (Strand Road and Strabane campus)  
**028 7127 8770** (Limavady campus)

 **Get in touch**  
[StudentServices@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:StudentServices@nwrc.ac.uk)

 **Find out more**  
[nwrc.ac.uk/student-services](http://nwrc.ac.uk/student-services)



### Your Students' Union

The Students' Union (NWRCSU) is here to make sure your time at college counts. Ensuring you feel part of the student community, supporting you to stand up for what you believe in, to speak out about the issues that matter the most to you, and helping you move forward into a bright future.

Students work in collaboration with staff to improve student life at the College. The Union is supported by a staff member from the Student Services team who has dedicated time to support Union development and activities.

The Students' Union organises Freshers' Week, Student Socials, Fundraising, Clubs & Societies, Sporting & Teambuilding activities, Clubs & Societies and SU Council Elections.

**Find out more:**  
 Tel: **028 7127 8706**  
 Email: [student.union@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:student.union@nwrc.ac.uk)





### Student Finance

Our Student Finance team provides students with advice and guidance on funding options available to support them during their studies.

This includes bursaries, grants, student loans, tuition fees and other financial help. Student Finance is also responsible for the administration of the Hardship Fund, EMA, Care to Learn, Higher Education Bursary and the distribution of Further Education Grant and Higher Education registrations. The Education Authority pays grants directly via bank transfer.

Tel: **028 7127 6010 / 6045**  
Email: **studentfinance@nwrc.ac.uk**

### Careers Academy

Our award-winning 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 / 6541 / 8784 / 8863**  
Email: **careers@nwrc.ac.uk**

### Careers Service NI

CareersService NI works in partnership with our Careers Academy. For details visit [careersserviceni.com](http://careersserviceni.com) or call **0300 200 7820**.

### 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. Counselling Services at NWRC are provided in association with Inspire Student Wellbeing.

Tel: **028 7127 6000**  
Email: **counselling@nwrc.ac.uk**

### Learning Support

Do you have a learning difficulty or disability that may affect the way you participate in your course? This can also include medical conditions and mental health issues. The Learning Link team can create a plan tailored to your individual needs. All queries are treated in confidence. Contact us early to ensure that we can meet your needs.

Provisions we provide include:

#### Liaison with Tutors

- Reasonable Adjustment recommendations
- Examination Access Arrangements (e.g. extra time)

#### Human Support

- Note Takers, Mentors, Campus Assistants
- Sign Language Interpreters

#### Equipment Loan

- Laptops
- Dictaphones
- Specialist Software and Equipment

#### Study Skills

- Organisation
- Time Management and Planning
- Proof Reading
- Revision and Exam Techniques

While we will endeavour to meet the needs of students with learning difficulties and disabilities, parents / carers and other stakeholders must accept that there may be occasions when the College is unable to address the needs of the student.

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

### Associate Student Status

Students enrolled on a Higher Education course at our College (i.e. Foundation Degree) can avail of additional learning resources and facilities via their sponsoring qualification university - Queen's University Belfast, The Open University and Ulster University.

Services include access to the University's library, sports gym, students' union, and other open access learning spaces.

Find out more at: [nwrc.ac.uk/higher-education](http://nwrc.ac.uk/higher-education)



### Library

Library facilities are available at our three main locations at Strand Road, Limavady and Strabane. Services include:

- Expert guidance and assistance from library staff to help you research assignments
- Digital / e-learning resources (e-journals and e-books)
- Study area and access to computer facilities
- Private study pods for individuals and small groups
- Laptop loans
- Mindfulness area
- Printing, photocopying and scanning facilities
- Binding and laminating service
- 24/7 access to specialist online databases
- Selection of stationery for sale
- Late night opening until 8pm, Tue-Thu (Strand Road)

Tel: **028 7127 6127**  
Email: **library@nwrc.ac.uk**

### 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.

To protect our young people, adolescents and adults at risk of harm or in need of protection we must take a collective approach and shared responsibility. Our vision is achieved with the cooperation of all staff at various professional levels across all academic faculties, within our support services and throughout our wider community.

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



## Young Adult Carers

Young Adult Carers are students aged 16-25 who care for a parent, sibling, or other relative on a regular basis. The person being cared for may have a physical disability, mental health illness, an addiction to drug and alcohol use or any other condition which requires them needing care, support and supervision.

The Safeguarding Team can offer a range of support to Young Adult Carers whilst they are studying at NWRC.

We are aware that every student is different and every student has different needs, therefore the support that is given will be person-centred and individual.

A support plan will be completed with the student, so the appropriate provision is put in place.

How we can help:

- Liaise with your curriculum team and other departments
- Provide pastoral support with college and home related support needs
- Signpost and refer you to local external agencies for specialist support

For more information contact:

**[safeguarding@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:safeguarding@nwrc.ac.uk)**



## Equality

The College is committed to fulfilling its responsibilities under Section 75 of the Northern Ireland Act 1998. We promote equality of opportunity among all of our staff and students, and 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 students to maximise their learning experience.

## SENDO

The Special Educational Needs and Disability (NI) Order 2005 (SENDO) came into effect on 1st September 2005. The principle behind the further and higher 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 Relay.



## Widening Access and Participation

Our aim is to improve wellbeing for everyone by providing academic pathways which are economically viable and lead to employment.

Our collaboration with universities is allowing 'Access' to Higher Education for adults who were previously made redundant, changed career direction, unemployed or those who had not considered progressing in education to access both Full and Part-Time education allowing them to rethink their educational pathway.

Our Careers Academy has an inclusive ethos supporting the Widening Access and Participation Plan with the Widening Access and Participation Officer working with disadvantaged communities and delivering the 'Inspire' programme.

## Bursaries and Scholarships

We also support a Widening Access and Participation Bursary which is a scholarship aimed at Full-Time Higher Education students which helps with the cost of tuition fees from those from under-represented backgrounds.

## International Funded Programmes

We also offer opportunities for students with Special Educational Needs and those from disadvantaged backgrounds to undertake an international training mobility through various funded programmes including the Turing Scheme.

We understand that being involved in international projects can enhance innovation. Research shows that student mobilities increase life experience of travel, which can greatly enhance learning.

For more information contact:

**[international@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:international@nwrc.ac.uk)**

## Enhanced Access NI Check

Students going on work placement into regulated activity are required to complete an Enhanced Access NI check.

NWRC is committed to processing Criminal Record Checks in accordance with the Access NI Code of Practice, which is available on the Access NI website. Alternatively, copies can be requested from Student Services at the College.



\*NWRC Teaching and Learning Survey, 2024

## AccessAble

Applicants with a disability are encouraged to view our AccessAble guides at **[www.accessable.co.uk](http://www.accessable.co.uk)**, which provide important accessibility information on College facilities at each campus location.

## Criminal Convictions and Disclosure

NWRC actively promotes equality of opportunity for all and welcomes enrolments from students with criminal convictions. However, to manage risk, you must tell us about any unspent convictions you have. You should do this by declaring this on the College's application and enrolment forms.

Certain courses require you to consider spent as well as unspent criminal convictions. In such instances, you must disclose all past offences as it may impact on your career progression. By disclosing criminal convictions, you will not automatically be excluded from the application/enrolment process.

Students that disclose a criminal history will be required to complete a Safeguarding Student Criminal Offence Disclosure form. The College will assess the risk that you may pose and determine whether it can be managed. You will be advised about the outcome of this process as quickly as possible. If you are convicted of a criminal offence after you have applied, you must contact the Safeguarding Team and tell them about this.

For more information, contact our Safeguarding Officer by emailing **[safeguarding@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:safeguarding@nwrc.ac.uk)**.



# Money Matters

**Whether it's advice on grants, fees, loans, or bursaries our Student Finance team can help you explore all the options available based on your personal circumstances.**

## Student Funding, Loans and Grants

### Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)

If you are a UK resident and aged under 20 years old on 30 June 2026, you could receive up to £30 per week, plus two bonus payments of £100 per year, for coming to College.

Application forms are available from Student Services or download a copy online: [nidirect.gov.uk/articles/how-apply-education-maintenance-allowance](https://nidirect.gov.uk/articles/how-apply-education-maintenance-allowance).

### Support Fund

The College may provide help to students with evidence of financial hardship via the College Support Fund. This is a non-repayable, means-tested fund.

All applicants should previously have applied to their local Education Authority in the first instance.

Application forms are available from Student Services. Contact [SupportFund@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:SupportFund@nwrc.ac.uk).

### Further Education Grant

If you are aged over 19 years old on 1 July 2026 you can apply for a Further Education Grant from Student Finance NI.

Students should apply online at: [eani.org/feqrants](https://eani.org/feqrants).

### Maintenance Grant

UK students studying a HE course may apply for a non-repayable, means-tested Maintenance Grant.

You also have the option of applying for a Maintenance Loan, to assist with living costs and a Tuition Fee Loan to cover the cost of your tuition fees.

To apply you will need to complete the online application available at [studentfinancenl.co.uk](https://studentfinancenl.co.uk).

### NWRC College Bursary

Full-Time Higher Education students with a household income of less than £19,203\* may be eligible for a college bursary of up to £500 per academic year (subject to assessment). For details contact Student Finance: [studentfinance@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:studentfinance@nwrc.ac.uk).

### Republic of Ireland / EU Students

ROI students studying a Higher Education course can also apply for a Maintenance Grant via Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI). For details visit: [susi.ie](https://susi.ie)

Students in receipt of benefits, should contact their local Welfare Office for eligibility information on the Back to Education Allowance.

EU students may also apply for a Tuition Fee Loan to cover the costs of their HE tuition fees. You can download a EU26N form online: [studentfinance.co.uk](https://studentfinance.co.uk).

### Free School Meals

For students under 18 years of age at 31 July, you may be entitled to free school meals. Applications must be made by your parent / guardian to your local Education Authority (EA). Apply online at [eani.org](https://eani.org).

If you were entitled to free meals in your previous school you should inform the Education Authority that you will be attending the College.

### 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 1 July 2026, live more than 3 miles from their nearest college and are studying a Further Education course.

Check eligibility and apply directly through the Education Authority online at [eani.org](https://eani.org).

### Childcare Assistance

You may be eligible for assistance with childcare costs, for registered child-minders only, including crèches, nurseries etc. Contact Student Services for more details.

### Care to Learn Scheme

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.

## Tuition Fees

All full-time Further Education courses (Level 1-3) are FREE (\*including tuition and exam fees). Students undertaking a university Access course will be required to pay an exam/registration fee. 2026-27 Full-Time Foundation Degree and HND courses will be £2,700 per year (subject to change).

### International Students

Fees in this guide apply to UK residents and those with EU Settlement status. Those not in these categories must contact [admissions@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@nwrc.ac.uk) for the relevant fee.

## Payment of Tuition Fees

### Higher Education (HE) 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. Direct Debit / instalment arrangements are available for students to pay their fees on a monthly basis, no more than 4 monthly payment/instalments.

### Direct Debit / 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 £400 on enrolment with the remaining balance being paid over a maximum of 4 instalments. Fees must be paid in full on or before **28th February 2027**.

### Non-Payment of Tuition Fees

Failure to pay the required fees may result in one or more of the following:

- Withdrawal from your course
- You may be unable to sit exams for any college course you are enrolled on
- You may be unable to access any College facilities or our computer network
- You may be unable to progress to the next year of your course, or enrol on an alternative college 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.

No Tuition Fees\*

\*All full-time FE courses (Level 1-3) are free



## Key Contacts

### Education Authorities

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

### NWRC Student Finance Advisors

Strand Road Campus, 028 7127 6010  
Limavady Campus, 028 7127 8770  
Strabane Campus, 028 7127 6045

Student Finance NI, 0300 100 0077

### Email:

[finance@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:finance@nwrc.ac.uk)  
[admissions@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@nwrc.ac.uk)

## Additional Fees

- **Graduation** - If attending Graduation, students will be required to pay a £50 attendance fee.
- **Access Courses** - Students will be required to pay an examination or registration fee. For Ulster University Access students the fee will be in the region of £285. The fee for the Queen's University (QUB) Access Diploma in Health and Welfare will be £160.

## Refunds

The College will make every effort to deliver programmes which are advertised. However, for any course which is cancelled, a full refund of the total fee will be issued to the student, unless other exceptional circumstances prevail (e.g. transfer of course or medical reasons).

For more information view our Fees and Charges Policy available online [nwrc.ac.uk/policies](https://nwrc.ac.uk/policies).



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[studentfinance@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:studentfinance@nwrc.ac.uk)



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# Better Careers Start Here

**Our Careers Academy delivers a range of bespoke programmes and interactive workshops tailored to meet your needs and help you reach your employment potential.**

### Expert careers advice and support

Throughout your time at the College we continue to provide you with free and impartial careers advice. We will work with you to outline your career goals and set you on the path to success. This includes helping you choose the right courses, conducting mock interviews, dedicated UCAS support, CV writing workshops, volunteering opportunities and tips/talks from employers.

### Programmes tailored to you

Our programmes are personalised to ensure progression through activities that are appropriate to students at different stages of career learning, planning and development. The programme includes careers education sessions, career guidance activities (group work and individual), information and research activities.

High quality careers education and guidance is crucial to helping you emerge from college, university or training well-rounded and ready for the world of work.

 **Get in touch**  
[careers@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:careers@nwrc.ac.uk)

 **Find out more**  
[nwrc.ac.uk/careers](http://nwrc.ac.uk/careers)

### Award Winning Careers Support

- **OCN Provider of the Year** | OCN Learner Awards, 2021
- **Career Impact Strategy Award** | The Education Awards, 2020
- **Careers Education and Guidance Award\*** | Association of Colleges 'Beacon' Awards, 2019
- **Inspiring Talent Award** | Irish News Workplace and Employment Awards, 2019
- **Matrix Quality Mark** | For Excellence in Careers Provision, Employability and Advice & Guidance



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## Workshops

-  CV Writing
-  Interview Skills
-  UCAS Registration
-  Transversal / Team Working Skills Development
-  Personal Statement Writing
-  FE and HE Progression
-  Presentation Skills for Zoom / Online Interviews
-  Introduction to Mental Health Mindset
-  Healthcare Mock Interview Practice
-  Morrisby Careers Software
-  Inspire Employability Programme
-  Endeavour Employability Preparation
-  Enterprise Workshops
-  Digital Footprint Workshop
-  Resilience Workshop

### Workshops

- **Inspire Employability Programme**
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- **E-Safety / Digital Safety**
- **Resilience**
- **Enterprise**
- **Work placement Preparation**
- **UCAS Registration**
- **Morrisby Careers Software**
- **FE and HE Progression**

\*NSS 2024

# Mature Learners

**We welcome applications from students, regardless of what stage of the education journey they might be on. It's never too late to learn something new.**

### Learning has no age limit

Returning to education a little later in life can seem daunting, but at NWRC extensive support is available to build your confidence and help you feel prepared.

For many adults, the decision to return to education is life-changing, opening up new career prospects and employment opportunities. Many are returning to college after a break in their education, some are looking to retrain for a new career, while others are trying to make the most out of opportunities they may not have had when they were younger. We believe that education is for everyone, regardless of age.

Every year the number of mature students attending Higher Education Colleges and Universities continues to grow. We value the diverse experience and life skills that mature students bring to our College community.

### The First Step

Our staff are experienced in offering advice to mature learners whose qualifications don't fit with our usual admission requirements. Contact our dedicated Careers or Admissions Team to discuss the flexible options we have available to you.

Admissions: [admissions@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@nwrc.ac.uk)  
 Careers Academy: [careers@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:careers@nwrc.ac.uk)

### Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL)

If you don't have traditional A-Level / GCSE qualifications, we can take into account the knowledge and skills you have gained through work as a foundation for study in higher education.

This includes learning gained through:

- Life and work experiences (paid and voluntary)
- Community-based learning
- Workplace learning and training
- Continuing professional development
- Independent learning

### APEL Advisor

You will be assigned an APEL Advisor who will support you through the process by introducing you to the relevant guidelines, building your confidence as a learner by identifying your strengths and skills, and advising you on how to prepare your portfolio of evidence of learning.

To schedule an appointment with an APEL Advisor in your subject area, contact our Quality Enhancement Unit: [qeu@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:qeu@nwrc.ac.uk)

I came to NWRC as a mature student, having had no formal education since my GCSEs. Now, I'm running my own virtual admin business, *AdminAnswers NI LTD*, which offers freelance admin support to companies.

NWRC was a great way to ease myself back into education in an extremely supportive environment. There's always something happening on campus to get involved in. I would totally recommend it! 🥰👍

### Maria McLaughlin

Level 3 in Business Administration with ICT  
 Founder of AdminAnswers NI LTD

\*Full-Time HE students only. Criteria applies



## Information for Parents

**We know just how important it is for every young person to have a smooth transition from school to college and for you to be a part of that process.**

We are fully committed to ensuring every young person has access to all the specialist support they need to help them successfully achieve their qualifications at NWRC.

### Personal Tutor

All full-time students are allocated a dedicated Personal Tutor, who will monitor their progress throughout their course, providing tailored support and guidance to enable them to achieve their full potential.

Our Personal Tutors offer a range of support services to our students while they study with us, including:

- **Careers Support**

We deliver a wide range of bespoke programmes and interactive workshops to help students plan their education around a clear career path.

- **Learning Support**

Our Learning Link team provides additional support, guidance and resources to students with any learning difficulty, physical disability or mental health issue.

- **Student Services**

The team can provide advice and guidance on a wide range of areas, including EMA, Bus Passes and Financial Support.

### Progress Coaches

Our Progress Coaches will assist students throughout their time at the College. They work closely with students to monitor and help improve attendance, while also liaising with Personal Tutors to ensure students are progressing in their respective courses.

### Safeguarding

Our dedicated Safeguarding Team promotes awareness of safeguarding issues and is always available to provide support to students, families and staff.

Our Safeguarding, Care and Welfare Policy is available on our website at [nwrc.ac.uk/policies](http://nwrc.ac.uk/policies) or on request from Student Services.

### Industry Links

We have excellent links with local, national and international employers who provide students with valuable work placement opportunities, masterclasses and site visits.

### Independence

We treat our students as young adults and encourage them to find their independence while they are with us. Along with their qualification, our students leave us job-ready, with a CV packed with experiences and skills for life as well as for work.

They have the confidence, positive attitude and strong work ethic to prepare them for their next step, whether that's university, employment or an apprenticeship.

### Cutting-Edge Facilities

Large investments in our learning facilities have produced first-rate classrooms, workshops, studios and specialist buildings, all geared towards a practical approach to teaching and learning.

### 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. The College also offers a comprehensive package of financial options to help support students during their study.

### Quality Teaching

Many of our lecturers continue to work as industry professionals and offer extensive knowledge and experience of their specialist area.

Students receive more teaching hours with NWRC than on most traditional university courses. Our classes are also much smaller which allows us to offer an exceptional level of one-to-one support they wouldn't get anywhere else.



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## Improve your English, Maths, ESOL and ICT skills



**Gaining the essential skills and knowledge you need to operate effectively in everyday life and at work will help you progress to achieve your career goals.**

At NWRC you will have the opportunity to continually improve your English, Maths and ICT skills as this learning is embedded throughout our study programmes.

### Why are Essential Skills important?

English, Maths, ESOL and ICT qualifications are highly valued by employers and universities. They are the most important and useful skills we all need to succeed in education, work and everyday life.

### We can help you achieve your goals

If you have not achieved a Grade C at GCSE in either English and/or Maths and are concerned about barriers to your progression, don't worry, we are here to help.

You can gain qualifications in English and Maths while completing your full-time course at the College, or by additional part-time study.

### What are the benefits?

- Improve your communication skills, including reading, writing, speaking and listening.
- Develop technical and numerical skills which are transferable to higher education and your career
- Boost your self-confidence and gain greater independence
- Enhance your job prospects with nationally recognised qualifications
- Higher earning and learning potential

### Our Essential Skills qualifications

We offer Essential Skills in Literacy, Numeracy and ICT from Entry Level 1 through to Level 2. All courses are 100% free, so it will cost you nothing to gain your Maths, English and ICT qualifications.

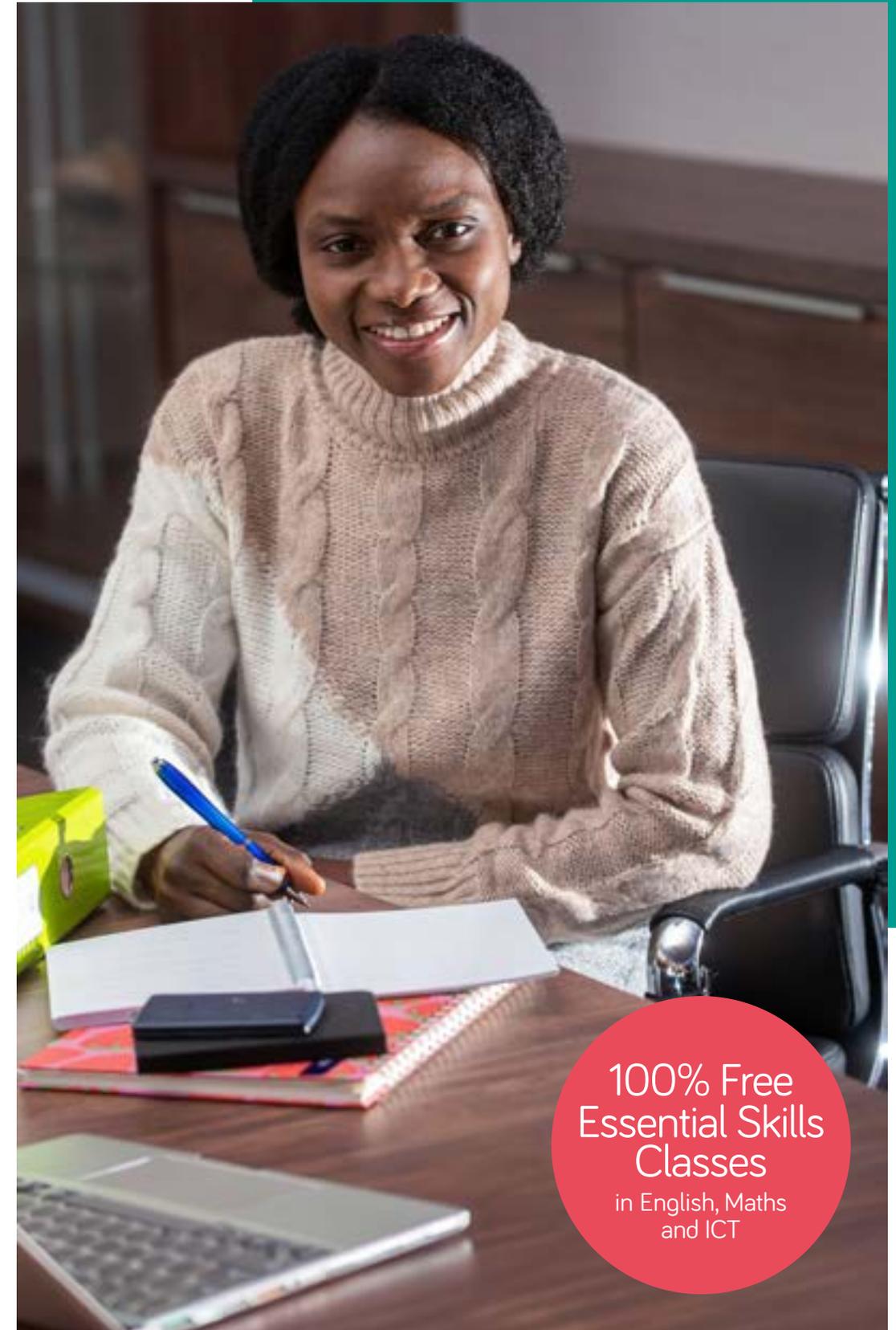
We invite learners whose first language is not English to attend for an initial assessment of their English language ability. After which students are placed in an appropriate English As A Second Language course from entry Level 1 to Level 2 to help them improve their language skills and enable them to gain a recognised qualification.

### GCSE English and Maths

We also offer GCSE English and Maths programmes for those who want to develop their Literacy and Numeracy skills further.

Classes take place in a relaxed atmosphere. Experienced and friendly tutors will help you to improve your reading, writing and maths quickly and easily. Class numbers are relatively small to give you the individual attention you require.

So take the first step to improving your life and contact the College today. We look forward to meeting you.



**100% Free  
Essential Skills  
Classes**  
in English, Maths  
and ICT



Find out more

[nwrc.ac.uk/essential-skills](https://nwrc.ac.uk/essential-skills)

[nwrc.ac.uk/gcse-english-and-mathematics](https://nwrc.ac.uk/gcse-english-and-mathematics)

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## Course Symbol Key

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# Administration (Secretarial)



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ADMINISTRATION  
COURSES



## Career Paths

- > Office Manager
  - > Personal Assistant
  - > Legal Secretary
  - > Medical Administrator
  - > Receptionist
  - > Business Analyst
  - > School Administrator
  - > Banking Clerk
- ...plus many more!*



# ADMINISTRATION (SECRETARIAL)



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## OCN NI Level 2 Traineeship Diploma Business Administration Skills (Medical and Legal Pathways)

### Course Code

603/7909/1 (Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

1 year full time / 2 years part time

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
(OCN NI)

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
Anne Marie Scullion  
028 7127 6104  
annemarie.scullion@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course provides you with flexibility and lots of choices! If you are looking for employment, it provides you with the tools to provide effective administrative support within your specialist chosen pathway or in any general administration office. The program develops student skills to enhance their employability opportunities through practical work, coursework, assignments and work placement. You gain invaluable specialist knowledge whilst enhancing your IT and core administrative skills. If you are not ready to go into the world of work at the end of the program you have the option to progress to other Level 3 courses in the College.

**TRAINEESHIP** (Full Time only): Students will develop their employability - Transversal Skills. These skills are tracked mostly through the core and specialist module work and in doing so students gain a separate Certificate.

### Core Modules

- Customer Service
- If applicable, Essential Skills in Numeracy and/or GCSE English
- Operate a range of Office Equipment
- Word Processing
- Understanding the Role of an Administrator
- Teamwork in Administration
- Career Planning in Administration

### Optional Modules

Medical Pathway: Administration Skills in a Medical Environment; Medical Principles for Administrators; Medical Terminology; Producing Medical Documents from Recorded Speech.

Legal Pathway: Legal Audio Processing; Working in a Legal Environment; Using Databases in a Legal Environment; Using Spreadsheets in a Legal Environment.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths at Grade E and English Grade D as a minimum.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths at Grade O6 and English Grade O5 as a minimum.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

There are no external exams in these qualifications. Assessment methods include practical demonstration, observations, assignments and class assessments. However, students must produce work to a good standard to be able to gain a Pass grade. To achieve the full Traineeship students must pass all modules from the Diploma; achieve all Transversal Skills; achieve Pass/C grades in Maths and English; plus complete the minimum 60 hour placement.

### Work Placement

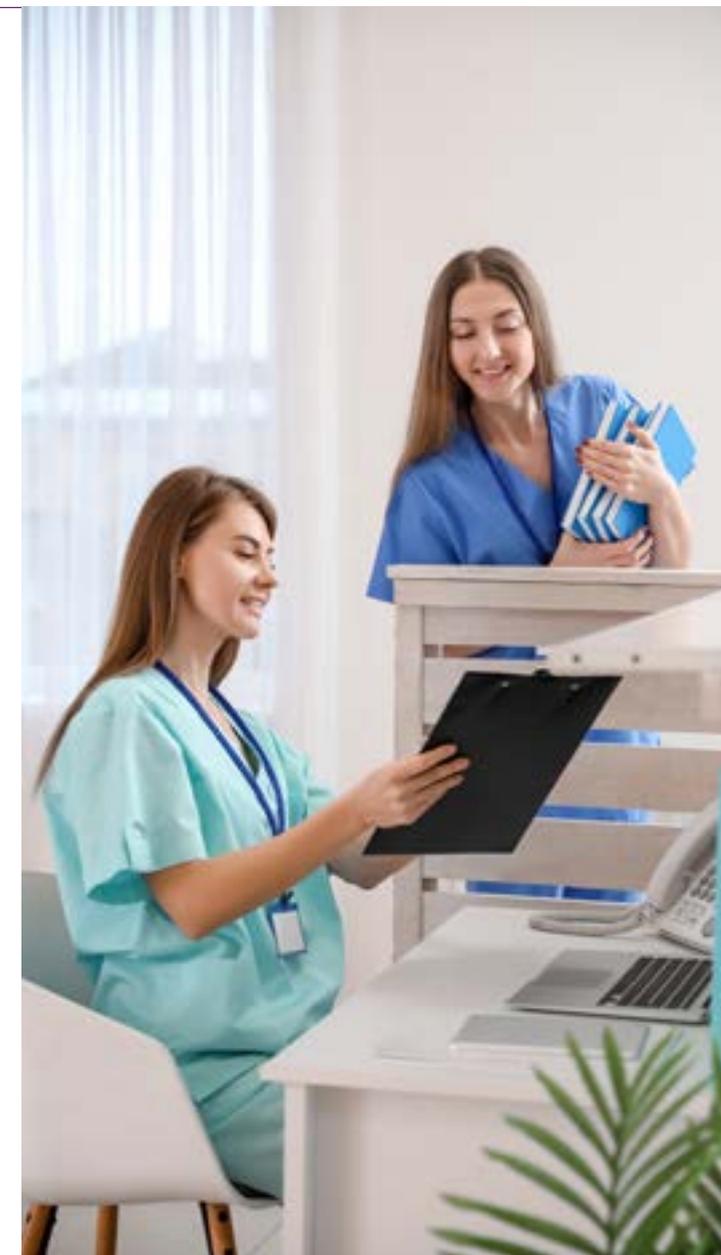
An essential and mandatory element of this course for all full-time students. You will be expected to spend a minimum of 60 hours in the workplace of your specialist area of study in Semester 2 of the course. These hours will be additional and outside your timetabled course hours.

### Further Study

This course can progress you directly into employment or onto a level 3 in Business Administration or other Level 3 course.

### Your Future Career

For those using the course as a stepping-stone into employment you can start your career as a medical/legal administrator or secretary, providing administration support. Within the medical field previous students have gained employment as medical receptionists/secretaries in a range of health care environments including GP, Hospital, Optician, Dentist and other Allied Health Professional businesses. Previous students who completed legal administration have found work as Legal Personal Assistants and Legal Secretaries in a range of businesses. Regardless of the pathway chosen it does not prevent students from working in other businesses and past students have also secured employment with schools, architects, civil service etc. Not all students want to progress directly into employment, so the course offers the flexibility of enabling students to progress to Level 3 Administration, Business, Health and Social Care, Travel and Tourism etc courses within NWRC.





## OCN NI Level 3 Certificate / Diploma Business Administration Skills with ICT

### Course Code

610/1473/4

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

1 year full time / 2 years part time

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
(OCN NI)

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
Anne Marie Scullion  
028 7127 6104  
annemarie.scullion@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

With many vacancies across various sectors in Northern Ireland, Business Administration is an area of continued growth and abounding in opportunities whether individuals are 17+ or wishing to upskill/reskill.

This OCN NI qualification enables learners to develop their knowledge and understanding in the areas of business administration including the use of information technology. Learners can progress to other vocational qualifications, or progress directly into employment within the business administration and related sectors. The skills gained on this course are also transferrable across other jobs in many different industries. The qualification is highly practical and will provide learners with a range of transversal and transferrable skills which will take them into many different business related posts.

### Core Modules

- Word Processing Software (at level 3)
- Producing Complex Documents
- Financial Transactions
- Support Business Meetings
- Apply Legislation
- Using Office Equipment
- IT Software
- Teamwork
- Improve Presentation Skills
- Support Recruitment and Selection
- Verbal & Face to Face Communications

### Optional Modules

We also offer the opportunity for students to undertake a separate Level 2 Award in Spreadsheets and Databases.. 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.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Business Administration or equivalent and GCSE English (Grade C or above); or equivalent OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English. Accreditation of Prior Learning (APEL). Mature students, with industrial experience and good level of ICT & English, will be considered at information meeting. For more details visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/policies](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/policies).

**ROI:** Level 2 Business Administration or equivalent and OLC English (Grade O5 or above); or equivalent. OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit. Accreditation of Prior Learning (APEL). Mature students, with industrial experience and good level of ICT & English, will be considered at information meeting. For more details visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/policies](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/policies).

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
All coursework requires completion by awarding body.

### Work Placement

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.

### Further Study

This qualification will enable you to move into employment or further your studies on other courses.

### Your Future Career

Successful completion of the Level 3 Diploma will equip you with the skills and knowledge to apply directly for employment as executive and private administrators in business, civil service, hospitals, health centres, schools, hotels etc. both within the UK and Overseas.



# Adult Learning (Access)



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ADULT LEARNING  
COURSES



## Career Paths

- > Social Worker
  - > Lawyer
  - > Nurse
  - > Occupational Therapist
  - > Counsellor
  - > Radiographer
  - > IT Technician
  - > Psychologist
- ...plus many more!*



# ADULT LEARNING (ACCESS)



**APPLY  
TODAY**





## QUB Level 3 University Access Diploma Health and Welfare

### Course Code

P10025

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

**Books:** Variable depending on student choice. Most resources available within college. Some students opt to buy books cheaply online.

### Awarding Body

Queen's University (QUB)

### Course Contact

**Derry~Londonderry:**

Mrs Theresa McLoone  
028 7127 6364

theresa.mcloone@nwrc.ac.uk

**Strabane:**

Claire Campbell

02871278826

claire.campbell@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office (028) 7127  
6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is of interest to those wishing to learn about health and social care, providing adult learners with an opportunity to gain a qualification which can be used as a progression pathway to higher education. It can help you progress to professional courses such as nursing, midwifery, social work, youth/community work, occupational therapy and other degree courses in the social science/ health studies field. Over the one year you will study the following: Health and welfare; professional pathways; study skills including ICT; human anatomy and physiology; psychosocial perspectives and microbiology. Students will also study NICATS Mathematics alongside the course. You will attend classes over 3.5 days per week with additional time to undertake independent reading and study. Students following the full-time course should refer to entrance criteria.

### Core Modules

- Professional Practice in Health and Social Care
- Study Skills
- Health and Welfare
- Human Anatomy and Physiology
- Microbiology for Health and Care
- NICATS Mathematics (for students who do not yet have appropriate grade and Certificate in GCSE / LCert)
- Psychosocial perspectives in Health and Care

### Optional Modules

Students can choose either Psychology or Microbiology (depending on enrolment numbers for psychology).

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 1 Year, Entry Requirements: A pass in GCSE English Language Grade C/4 or GCSE Mathematics Grade C/4 or acceptable equivalent. Applications from students who have been away from full-time education for a sustained period of time (minimum two consecutive academic years) immediately prior to commencing the Access Diploma will be considered. An interview is also required. Applicants may also be asked to demonstrate a level of literacy and numeracy. Applicants without GCSE English Language Grade C/4 and GCSE Mathematics Grade C/4 or acceptable equivalent should study Essential Skills Level 2, Communication and Application of Number/GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics independently in addition to the course (depending on University requirements). Applicants who have already achieved Essential Skills Communication at Level 2 and Essential Skills Application of Number at level 2 or acceptable equivalent should check (at the beginning of the Access Diploma) with the Admission's Office/Service of the University of their choice to ensure these qualifications fulfil the entrance requirements for their chosen Universities. International applicants - If English is not your first language you must satisfy the College requirements for IELTS scores or acceptable equivalent.

**ROI:** 1 Year, Entry Requirements: Applicants must have Irish Leaving Certificate, Ordinary Level, English or Mathematics Grade O4 as equivalent to GCSE Grade C/4. Applications

from students who have been away from full-time education for a sustained period of time (minimum two consecutive academic years) immediately prior to commencing the Access Diploma will be considered. An interview is also required. Applicants may also be asked to demonstrate a level of literacy and numeracy. Applicants without Irish Leaving Certificate, Ordinary Level English and Mathematics or acceptable equivalent should study Essential Skills Level 2, Communication and Application of Number/ GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics independently in addition to the course (depending on University requirements). Applicants who have already achieved Essential Skills Communication at Level 2 and Application of Number at Level 2 or acceptable equivalent should check (at the beginning of the Access Diploma) with the Admissions Office/Service of the University of their choice to ensure these qualifications fulfil the entrance requirements for their chosen Universities. International applicants - If English is not your first language you must satisfy the College requirements for IELTS scores or acceptable equivalent.

### Assessment

56% Coursework 44% Exam

Study Skills Module and IT are assessed by continuous assessment with portfolio. All other modules have a mix of examination (essay style, multiple choice questions and short answer questions) and coursework

assessment ranging from 30% - 70% examination per module. Coursework includes essay, reports, presentations and portfolio style assessment.

### Further Study

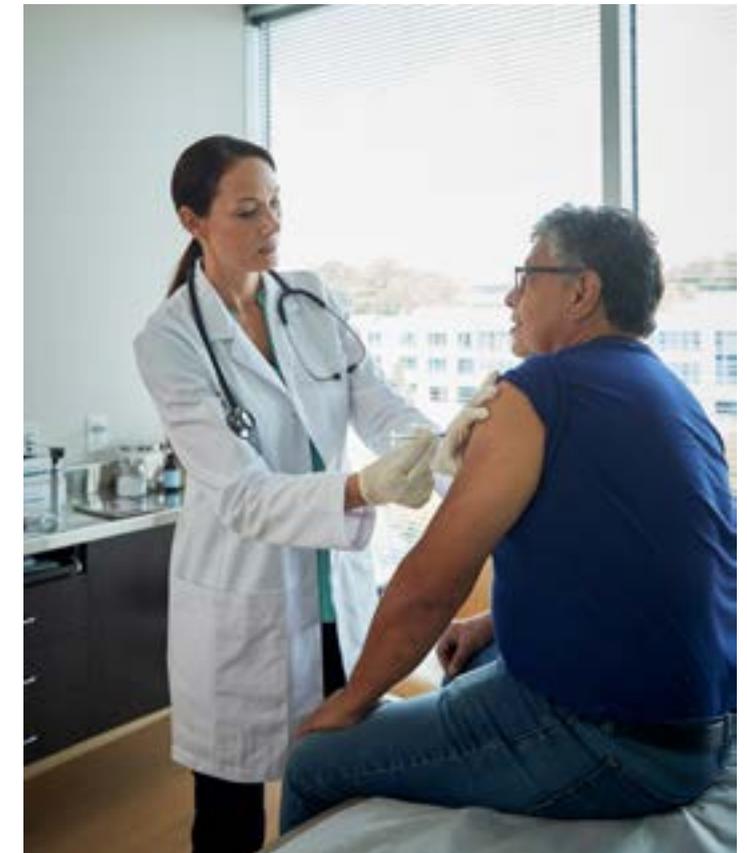
Applicants may apply to study Foundation Degree / HNC or other degree level study. It can also help you progress to professional education courses such as nursing, midwifery, social work, youth/ community work, occupational

therapy and other degree courses in the social science/ health studies field.

### Your Future Career

- Nursing – all branches – starting at Band 5 £25,655 – £31,534.
- Midwifery - starting at £25,655 depending on allocated pay band and experience.
- Social Work – starting at £25,655 depending on allocated pay band and experience.

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## Ulster University Level 3 Access Diploma Combined Studies

### Course Code

P10002

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

#### Books:

Recommended reading suggested for each unit if students wish to individually purchase.

#### Other:

Awarding body registration fee payable at start of each academic year (this could be included in course fee advertised – please check with reception at time of enrolment).

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
Alisa Hemphill  
02871276315  
Alisa.Hemphill@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Designed for adults, the 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 to university. You will have to commit to a high degree of independent study and reading, studying up to seven subjects, three are at level 2 (if you don't hold a GCSE Grade C in Mathematics) and four are at level 3. Students should preferably have a GCSE English Grade C or equivalent, and will also be asked to demonstrate a level of literacy and numeracy at interview. Students without GCSE English or equivalent may be expected to undertake a GCSE English qualification in conjunction with their Access course.

### Core Modules

- History
- Study & Digital Skills
- Communications
- Mathematics
- Sociology
- Business & Enterprise
- English Literature

### Optional Modules

A wide range of optional subjects are available for you to choose from which include: Psychology; Law; English Literature; Sociology; History; Research in Society; French/Spanish/Irish; Web Development for e-Business; Business Accounts; Statistical Research with ICT.

**UK:** Students will be required to undertake an assessment at interview to provide evidence of level 2 competence in English and Mathematics. They must be 19 years of age or over on 1 July in year of entry and not have been registered on any full-time education programme for two years. Interview and assessment required.

**ROI:** Students will be required to undertake an assessment at interview to

provide evidence of level 2 competence in English and Mathematics. They must be 19 years of age or over on 1 July in year of entry and not have been registered on any full-time education programme for two years. Interview and assessment required

### Assessment

90% Coursework 10% Exam

90% Coursework and 10% Examination but depending on modules the weightings may vary. Current modules may change subject to staff availability and timetabling needs.

### Further Study

For the purpose of admission to HE study, as part of the full award of Access Diploma, a 20 credit L2 Mathematics module, which is passed at 40%, will be recognised by both Ulster University and Queen's University Belfast as fulfilling requirements for passing GCSE Mathematics at grade C or equivalent. Both the above Universities in Northern Ireland also accept the full Access award as providing evidence of competence in English Language, meeting the general entrance requirement for GCSE English. Completing this course will enable you to apply for higher education courses with us at NWRC or at University, in a range of subject areas. This qualification also provides opportunities for progression to a Higher Level Apprenticeship – a number of which are available for application through NWRC.

### Your Future Career

Past graduates from this programme have progressed into a range of career pathways following further study, such as Social Work, Teaching, Law, Business and Accountancy, Hospitality and Tourism Management, IT, Counselling and Journalism.



## Ulster University Access Diploma Science

### Course Code

P10009

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time or Part-Time

### Length of Study

1 year full time / 2 years part time

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

Designed for committed adult learners without formal qualifications, this course provides the opportunity to gain a recognised qualification which can be used to progress to university degree study, secure employment or change/improve career opportunities. The science programme will be student-centred and encourage self-confidence and development through a structured programme

You will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in written and oral communication in English and Numeracy skills, as well as demonstrating your motivation for and an ability to cope with the academic demands of the course.

### Core Modules

- Introductory Mathematics for Science
- Core Scientific & Laboratory Skills
- Fundamentals of Science

### Optional Modules

- Maths for Science Calculations
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Students will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in English and Mathematics and must be a minimum of 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry and have been away from full-time education for at least two years.

**ROI:** Students will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in English and Mathematics and must be a minimum of 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry and have been away from full-time education for at least two years.

### Assessment

75% Coursework 25% Exam

Students will be assessed using a variety of methods including written coursework, practical observations, experiment scientific reports, class tests, presentations and exams. All core modules are assessed by 100% coursework. Students will complete 3 out of 4 optional modules which are assessed by 50% coursework and 50% exam.

### Further Study

This course will enable you to progress to a wide variety of courses in the sciences and beyond.

It will provide you with the opportunity to gain a recognised qualification which can be used to progress to university degree study, secure employment, or change/improve career opportunities.

### Your Future Career

Previous progression routes for successful students have included:

- Chemical Engineering
- Biomedical Science
- Radiography (Diagnostic/Therapeutic)
- Environmental health
- Biochemistry
- Environmental Science
- Physiotherapy
- Biology
- Biochemistry
- Nursing
- Dietetics
- Podiatry



# Apprenticeships & Traineeships



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## Career Paths

- > Mechanic
  - > Electrician
  - > Plumber
  - > Dental Nurse
  - > Film Maker
  - > Welder
  - > Bricklayer
  - > Wall and Floor Tiler
- ...plus many more!



# APPRENTICESHIPS & TRAINEESHIPS



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## Apprenticeships

**An Apprenticeship is a real job with training so employees can learn while they earn and achieve nationally recognised qualifications.**

Apprenticeship programmes (level 2, 2/3 and 3) are fully-funded programmes and are open to anyone who are 16+ with no upper age limit.

Apprenticeships combine work, study and 'off-the-job' training at College.

Usually, you will be with your employer for four days per week and at NWRC one day per week. You may be required to complete essential skills, or equivalent, alongside your main professional and technical qualification.

As an Apprentice you must balance your job and study across a maximum four-year period: two years at Level 2 and two years at Level 3. Those who have achieved GCSE grades of C and above, and an aptitude for their trade and learning, can complete in a shorter time-frame.

To find out more, visit: [nidirect.gov.uk/campaigns/apprenticeships](https://nidirect.gov.uk/campaigns/apprenticeships)

### Who can apply?

To take part in an Apprenticeship you need to:

- Have reached the minimum school leaving age in Northern Ireland (16 years)
- Be employed or be about to take up paid employment in Northern Ireland
- Be working a minimum of 21 hours per week on a permanent contract
- Meet all the entry requirements of your chosen apprenticeship (for example some apprenticeships will require you to have GCSEs)

### What are the benefits?

#### Earn While You Learn

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.

#### Large Range of Career Paths to Choose From

Our Apprenticeship programme offers training across a wide range of professional and technical areas.

#### Continue Your Education

Our Apprenticeship courses offer a range of exciting skills and learning opportunities which link to vocational, industrially relevant qualifications which lead directly to career success. They can lead onto higher level study, which can open up more career opportunities.

Occupational areas include:

- Brickwork
- Carpentry and Joinery
- Civil Engineering
- Dental Nursing
- Electrical and Mechanical Engineering
- Fabrication and Welding
- Health and Social Care
- Housing Practice
- Motor Vehicle Repair
- Painting and Decorating
- Professional Cookery
- Plumbing
- Wall and Floor Tiling

#### Skills Employers Want

You will work alongside experienced professional staff, receive high quality professional and technical training and work towards achieving an accredited industry-recognised qualification.

#### Get Help to Find an Employer

As an Apprentice you will already be employed in the industry. However, if you are struggling to find employment our dedicated team of Employment Liaison Officers can support you with finding an employer.

#### Enrichment Activities and Competitions

We offer exciting enrichment activities and personal development workshops for you to get involved in to help develop your confidence, communication and team-working skills. You will also have the opportunity to compete in regional and UK Competitions with the aim of progressing to World Skills.

#### Entry Requirements

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

**\*Employers have discretion on the entry criteria for Level 2 Apprenticeship NI 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 agree to before starting programme.**

### Take a tour

Visit our Springtown, Greystone and Strabane campuses to explore our modern, industry standard facilities and discover what life at NWRC is really like.

You will also have the opportunity to speak with our expert Lecturing Staff, Employment Liaison Officers and employers who are looking for new apprentices across a wide range of industrial areas.

Check out our website [nwrc.ac.uk/our-campus](https://nwrc.ac.uk/our-campus) to book a tour tailored to you.



## NI Traineeships

**A traineeship is a programme designed to help you prepare for a career in an area that interests you. It combines practical, hands-on work experience within your chosen industry with the development of the personal and employability skills valued by employers. You will also be able to improve your English and Maths skills.**

The NI Traineeship is available to school leavers and adults who wish to develop the skills, knowledge, and qualifications needed to work in a specific sector. Each traineeship is designed in partnership with employers to ensure that the learning and skills gained reflect current industry needs. Completion of an NI Traineeship can lead directly to employment or provide progression opportunities to a level 3 apprenticeship or further education at level 3.

An NI Traineeship programme includes the following key elements:

- A main professional and technical qualification in a chosen occupational area
- Skills development, including digital skills
- Transversal and employability skills
- A mandatory work placement
- Literacy and numeracy qualifications at level 2, which may include GCSE English and Mathematics
- Additional sector-specific qualifications, such as Health and Safety, CSR, or manual handling
- Project-based learning, which encourages active participation, deeper subject knowledge, and the development of practical, hands-on skills

### How long does a Traineeship take to complete?

NI Traineeships typically take one or two years to complete on a full-time basis, depending on the subject chosen. Please refer to our individual course pages for specific course durations.

### How can a Traineeship prepare you for work?

As well as training you in skills for your chosen area of work, you will also be helped to develop personal skills that employers look for, such as:

- Problem solving
- Teamwork
- Communication
- Time management
- Entrepreneurship

Project Based Learning which is also a key feature of NI Traineeships, will help you explore real-world problems and challenges that have been developed with employers. With this type of active and engaged learning, you will be inspired to obtain a deeper knowledge of the subjects you are studying and develop a wide range of hands-on skills.

### Entry Requirements/What are the entry requirements?

Applicants will be required to achieve a minimum of a level 1 qualification which is defined as 4 GCSEs at grades D-G including maths and English grades D-F (or equivalent). Enhanced entry grades for maths and English apply in certain subject areas. These will be discussed with the applicant after an application has been made.

If you do not meet the enhanced entry criteria, your application will be reviewed by the course team and your options discussed.

During the application process you should apply for the Level 2 course.

### Where will an NI Traineeship take me?

On successful completion of the full NI Traineeship, you will receive a 'Traineeship Diploma' equivalent to five GCSEs at grades A\*- C (including English and maths qualifications at level 2).

All trainees who achieve received a either a Diploma, Certificate or Award. Many trainees will be eligible to progress to either a Level 3 Further Education course or a Level 3 Apprenticeship. This can in turn lead to higher education opportunities.

### Can I transfer to an apprenticeship during my traineeship?

Trainees who secure employment in their chosen occupational area during their traineeship, can transfer seamlessly to an apprenticeship at level 2. As an apprentice, if you become unemployed during your apprenticeship, you can transfer onto a traineeship to complete your programme.

### What funding is available for trainees?

#### Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)

Trainees aged 16–19 may be eligible for Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA), a means-tested payment of £30 per week. Payments are subject to full attendance across all subject areas, including work placement, with additional bonuses available for achieving qualifications. EMA application forms are available online.

#### Further Education Grant

Trainees can apply for a means tested FE Grant of up to £2,092 per year which is non-repayable. The deadline to be guaranteed support is 30th June although applications are open until the 30th September.

#### Care to Learn

If you are or become a parent and are aged between 16 and 19 at the start of your traineeship, you may be entitled to assistance with childcare costs.

#### Hardship Fund

Students aged 18 or over on 1 July in their year of entry and who are experiencing financial hardship may be eligible for support from the College's Hardship Fund. Support is means tested and only available once all other funding options have been explored. Childcare costs may be covered where support is not available through the FE Award or Care to Learn.

#### Travel/Bus Pass

Trainees may apply for a bus pass through the Education Authority (EA) if they are under 19 on 1 July at year of entry, enrolled on a traineeship, and live at least 3 miles from their nearest college. Travel costs to work placement will also be reimbursed.

#### Free School Meals

Trainees under 18 years of age on 31st July at the year of entry, may be entitled to free school meals. Applications must be made by your parent or guardian to the Education Authority. School meal tickets will be available from campus receptions.

### What other help is available to me?

#### Online Learning

If you are required to engage with online learning, the College may help you with this through the loan of IT equipment.

### Job Related Equipment

Trainees will receive free Health and Safety Equipment and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) (where required). There may also be a requirement for trainees on Health and Social Care courses to be vaccinated when undertaking placements in hospital settings.

### Pastoral Care

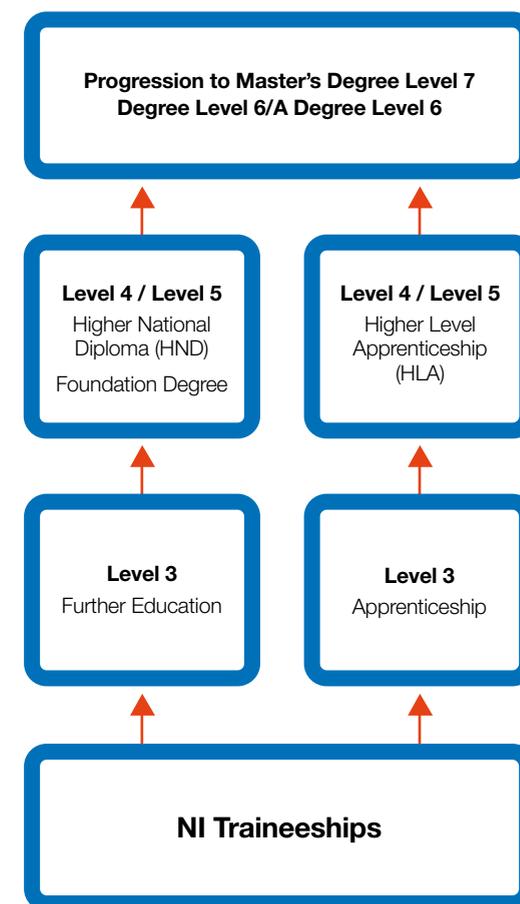
Like all students, trainees will receive a high level of pastoral care from College staff with appropriate support mechanisms in place.

### Republic of Ireland (ROI) Trainees/I live in ROI – can I apply for a Traineeship?

ROI applicants are eligible to apply for a Traineeship. You may be eligible to apply for Back to Education support if you are currently in receipt of a social welfare payment.



Traineeships





## Trainee Support

### Education Maintenance Allowance

Traineeship participants may be entitled to an Education Maintenance Allowance. EMA pays £30 per week and is available to 16-19 year old (means-tested) attending the traineeship.

Attendance is monitored and payment is dependent on full weekly attendance in all subject areas including placement. Bonuses are also payable on the achievement of qualifications.

EMA Application forms are available online.

### Further Education Grant

Trainees can apply for an FE Grant which is means tested and non-repayable

The deadline to be guaranteed support is 28th June although applications are open until the 30th September.

### Hardship Fund

If you are age 18 or over on 1 July 2025 and suffering from financial hardship you may be eligible for financial assistance through the College's Hardship Fund.

### Online Learning

If you are required to engage with on-line learning NWRC will facilitate this by lending the IT equipment which you require.

### Equipment

Trainees will receive free health and safety equipment and personal protective equipment (PPE)

### Travel/Bus Pass

Trainees will be eligible to apply for a bus pass. Bus passes are issued through the Education Authority (EA).

To receive a bus pass, a trainee must:

- Be under 19 on 1st July before the start of the academic year
- Be studying a further education course only
- Live at least 3 miles from their nearest college

Trainees will also be reimbursed for their travel costs to work placement.

### Free School Meals

Trainees under 18 years of age at 31st July before the start of the academic year, may be entitled to free school meals. Applications must be made by your parent or guardian to the Education Authority.

School meal tickets will be available from reception and should be collected on a weekly basis.

### Pastoral Care

Trainees will receive a high level of pastoral care from college staff with appropriate support mechanisms in place.



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## We also provide Apprenticeships & Traineeships in the following areas:

- Business Administration Skills (Legal & Medical)
- Dental Nursing
- Health and Social Care
- Information Technology
- Civil Engineering
- Children's Care, Learning and Development
- Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy
- Barbering
- Housing Practice
- Professional Cookery
- Professional Chef
- Creative Media Skills
- Music Practitioners (Technology)
- Sport





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## Higher Level Apprenticeships

**A Higher Level Apprenticeship (HLA) is a unique work based programme, which enables participants to earn while they learn, and gain a nationally recognised higher-level qualification.**

Successful candidates will be employed in a company relevant to their chosen profession to gain valuable industry experience.

This experience will feature a close mentoring relationship and academic support provided by NWRC as they progress through their higher-level qualification.

The HLA programme is widely recognised as the best combination of on-the-job training and employee higher level study available. The programme offers employees the opportunity to gain a Level 4 or Level 5 qualification.

In addition, the programme aims to improve business practice by developing a progressively skilled workforce essential for today's competitive economic climate.

To find out more about HLAs, visit: [nidirect.gov.uk/articles/higher-level-apprenticeships](http://nidirect.gov.uk/articles/higher-level-apprenticeships)

### Programmes we offer

NWRC has led the way in developing the HLA provision within Northern Ireland, based on strong links with academic partners and business.

We are currently offering programmes in the following areas:

- Accountancy
- Business and Enterprise
- Children's Care, Learning and Development
- Computing
- Construction with Renewables
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- General Engineering
- Hospitality, Tourism and Events Management
- Mechanical Engineering

### Who is eligible to apply?

Opportunities are available for new employees or an existing employee in a new job role to gain qualifications from Level 4 upwards. Entry criteria will depend on the apprenticeship pathway.

Please refer to our website for more information: [nwrc.ac.uk/courses](http://nwrc.ac.uk/courses)

### What are the benefits?

By taking part in a HLA, you can gain the skills that employers need and that are relevant to the local economy, therefore improving your prospects of good earnings and sustained employment.

Other benefits include:

- Achieve a professional level qualification without the tuition fees
- Earn a competitive salary
- Gain increased opportunities for career progression
- A clear pathway to achieving ambitions in the workplace

### How much does it cost?

Higher Level Apprenticeships are fully funded by the Department for Economy (DfE). There are no course related costs to the apprentice or employer.



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HLA IN HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM  
MANAGEMENT



## OCN NI Level 1 Extended Certificate General Building Maintenance

### Course Code

603/5201/2

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE will be provided by the college to carryout workshop activities

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification is aimed at learners aged 16 and above. This qualification been designed to provide an introduction to the skills required to perform general building maintenance and introduce students to a range of vocational areas within construction. On achievement of this The OCNNI Level 1 Extended Certificate in General Building Maintenance learners can progress to the OCNNI Level 2 suite of Construction qualifications should they meet the relevant entry criteria.

As part of the programme students will undertake Transversal/ employability skills and offered essential skills in Maths, English and ICT. The programme will also have additional support available based on learner needs to support successful completion of programme.

### Core Modules

Introduction to Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction

### Optional Modules

- Environmental Awareness and Sustainability in Construction
- Painting Interior Ceilings and Walls
- Developing Skills for Wallpapering
- Manual Handling, Lifting and Movement of Loads
- Bricklaying Constructing a One Brick Wide Wall
- Bricklaying Constructing Cavity Walls
- Tools and Equipment for Bricklaying
- Constructing a Half Brick Wall
- Woodworking and Carpentry Tools
- Developing Carpentry Hand Skills

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No formal entry requirements, applicants must have the potential to achieve full qualification and complete pre entry interview to assess suitability for course.

**ROI:** No formal entry requirements, applicants must have the potential to achieve full qualification and complete pre entry interview to assess suitability for course.

### Assessment

60% Coursework 40% Exam

Practical assessment in workshop environment along with online and written knowledge assessments.

### Work Placement

Work placement is optional component of this course, which would be encouraged for those wishing to pursue a career in this field.

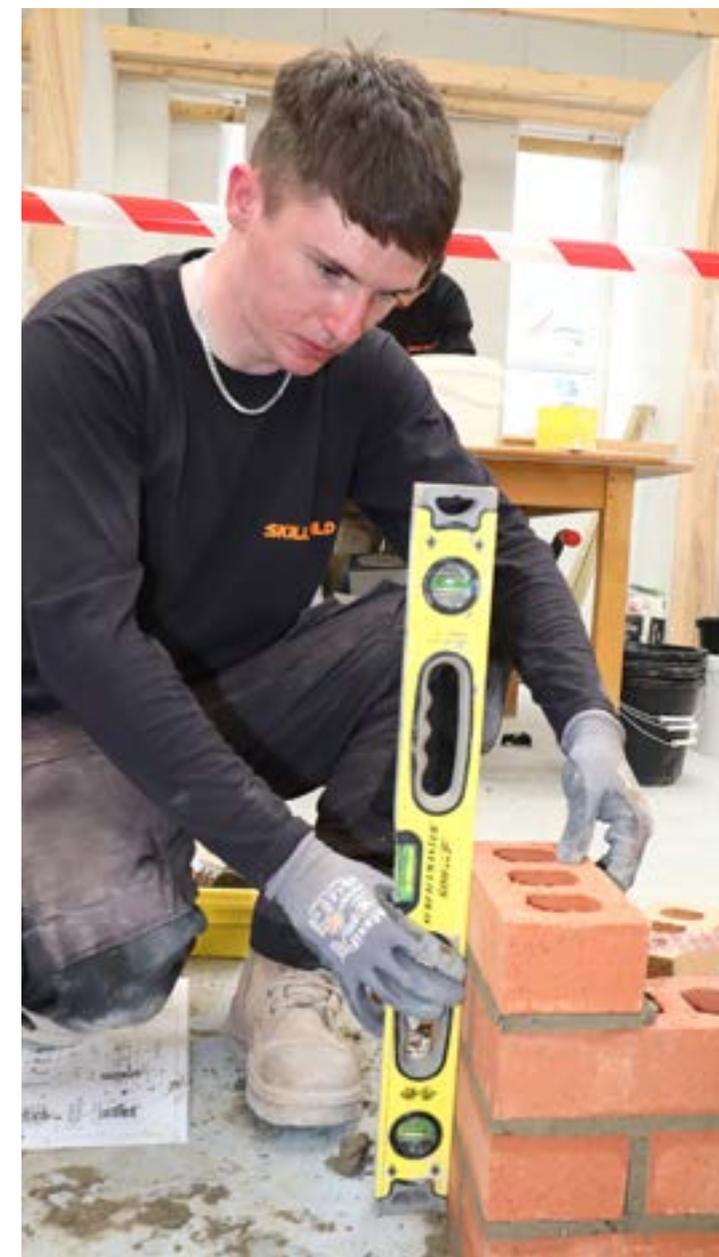
### Further Study

There are excellent progression routes from this Level 1 course on to L2 Traineeships to employment on the L2 Apprenticeship programme completing trade at Level 3 should all relevant entry criteria be gained.

### Your Future Career

The skills gained in basic construction maintenance can provide a pathway into various trade areas allowing for the potential to achieve qualifications in that pathway and the wage structure linked to it. Across the North West and wider area many companies specialise in construction maintenance and successful completion of this qualification may provide a avenue to F/T employment with the businesses.

Painters have excellent opportunities to become self-employed and start their own businesses. Once Level 3 Apprenticeship has been completed painters can progressed to HE courses to further develop their careers in the construction industry with job opportunities as site manager, project managers, H&S officers and teaching.





## City and Guilds Level 1 Award Skills for Life & Work - Engineering

### Course Code

600/3749/0

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Course Overview

This course provides the ideal introduction to the Engineering industry and preparation for employment. Students take part in "real life" Project Based Learning opportunities in addition to attending a work placement.. Essential Skills in English and Maths is an integral part of the programme. All students must undertake work placement as part of the programme. The placement model will see students attending college three days per week and placement two days per week during academic year, then during summer students attend placement five days per week. Students will focus on Engineering however depending on student needs timetabling of other vocational trade areas are possible.

Applicants must not already have achieved a full Level 1 (defined by the DfE as four GCSEs at grade D–G including English and maths at D–F, or equivalent). In some cases, due to barriers to engagement/learning this may be possible with DfE Careers Service approval.

### Core Modules

- C&G L1 Award
- L1 Employability & PSD
- Essential Skills Maths, English & ICT
- Work Placement

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No formal entry requirements for this course, however applicants must have the potential to successfully gain the qualification and complete pre-entry interview before offers issued. All students must have the potential to undertake work placement during this programme. If you are aged 16-17 years you can join Skills for Life and Work. If you have a disability you can join if you are under 22 years of age. If you have an in-care background, you can

join if you are under 25 years of age. Your local Careers Office can provide full details on these and other eligibility requirements.

**ROI:** No formal entry requirements for this course, however applicants must have the potential to successfully gain the qualification and complete pre-entry interview before offers issued. All students must have the potential to undertake work placement during this programme. If you are aged 16-17 years you can join Skills for Life and Work. If you have a disability you can join if you are under 22 years of age. If you have an in-care background, you can join if you are under 25 years of age. Your local Careers Office can provide full details on these and other eligibility requirements.

### Assessment

90% Coursework 10% Exam

The course is assessed in college in the form of practical tasks carried out in the workshop alongside theory based job knowledge. The programme will also require the student to partake in a work placement.

### Work Placement

Work placement is an integral part of the programme (3 days in college/2 day workplacement).

### Further Study

Students on completion of the L1 in Construction and the required level of Essential Skills can progress to employment, L2 Traineeship or AppNI Level 2.

### Your Future Career

This programme looks at individual needs of students as part of the course our awarding winning Careers Academy team work with students to help them progress onto a pathway that best suits their own ambitions.



## City and Guilds Level 1 Award Skills Life and Work Construction\*

### Course Code

601/8755/4

### Campus

Greystone

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: PPE College cover costs.

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



\*Subject to validation

### Course Overview

This course provides the ideal introduction to the construction industry and preparation for employment. Students take part in "real life" Project Based Learning opportunities in addition to attending a work placement.. Essential Skills in English and Maths is an integral part of the programme. All students must undertake work placement as part of the programme. The placement model will see students attending college three days per week and placement two days per week during academic year, then during summer students attend placement five days per week. Students will focus on construction trades however depending on student needs timetabling of other vocational trade areas are possible.

Applicants must not already have achieved a full Level 1 (defined by the DfE as four GCSEs at grade D–G including English and maths at D–F, or equivalent). In some cases, due to barriers to engagement/learning this may be possible with DfE Careers Service approval.

### Core Modules

- C&G Construction L1
- Employability & Personal Development
- Essential Skills Literacy
- Essential Skills Numeracy
- Essential Skills ICT

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No formal entry requirements for this course, however applicants must have the potential to successfully gain the qualification and complete pre-entry interview before offers issued. All students must have the potential to undertake work placement during this programme. If you are aged 16-17 years you can join Skills for Life and Work. If you have a disability you can join if you are under 22 years of age. If you have an in-care background, you can join if

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### Assessment

90% Coursework 10% Exam

The course is assessed in college in the form of practical tasks carried out in the workshop alongside theory based job knowledge. The programme will also require the student to partake in a work placement.

### Work Placement

Work placement is an integral part of the programme (3 days in college/2 day workplacement).

### Further Study

Students on completion of the L1 in Construction and the required level of Essential Skills can progress to employment, L2 Traineeship or AppNI Level 2.

### Your Future Career

This programme looks at individual needs of students as part of the course our awarding winning Careers Academy team work with students to help them progress onto a pathway that best suits their own ambitions.



## City and Guilds Level 1 Certificate *(Skills for Life and Work)*

# Hairdressing, Barbering, Beauty & Early Years

### Course Code

600/2753/8

### Campus

Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: 30.00

Kits: 100.00

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000



### Course Overview

This course offers the perfect introduction to the Hair, Beauty, Barbering or Early Years industries, setting students up for future employment. Learners can select one pathway to specialize in either Hair, Beauty, Barbering or Early Years. As part of the course they will complete qualifications in Employability and Professional development. In addition, students will participate in essential skills training in Maths, English, and ICT.

Students will gain hands-on experience through project-based learning during their work placements in our state-of-the-art college salons.

This comprehensive course is designed to equip young learners with the core academic, workplace, and personal skills they need to succeed in education, employment, and everyday life. Through engaging lessons, practical activities, and real-world applications, learners develop confidence, independence, and the essential competencies that prepare them for their future pathways.

Students will be eligible for a non-means tested Education Maintenance Allowance of £40/week.

Applicants must not already have achieved a full Level 1 (defined by the DfE as four GCSEs at grade D–G including English and maths at D–F, or equivalent). In some cases, due to barriers to engagement/learning this may be possible with DfE Careers Service approval.

### Core Modules

- Professional Development
- Employability
- ICT
- English
- Maths
- Work Based Learning
- Hairdressing Units

### Optional Modules

- Beauty
- Barbering

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No formal entry requirements for this course, however applicants must have the potential to successfully gain the qualification and complete pre-entry interview before offers issued. All students must have the potential to undertake work placement during this programme. If you are aged 16-17 years you can join Skills for Life and Work. If you have a disability you can join if you are under 22 years of age. If you have an in-care background, you can join if you are under 25 years of age. Your local Careers Office can provide full details on these and other eligibility requirements.

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### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The Level 1 qualification in Hair, Beauty or Barbering provides learners with an introduction to the practical skills, underpinning knowledge, and professional behaviours required to progress into further training within the industry. Assessment at Level 1 focuses on developing confidence, competence, and safe working practices while ensuring learners can demonstrate the basic technical abilities expected at an

introductory level.

### Work Placement

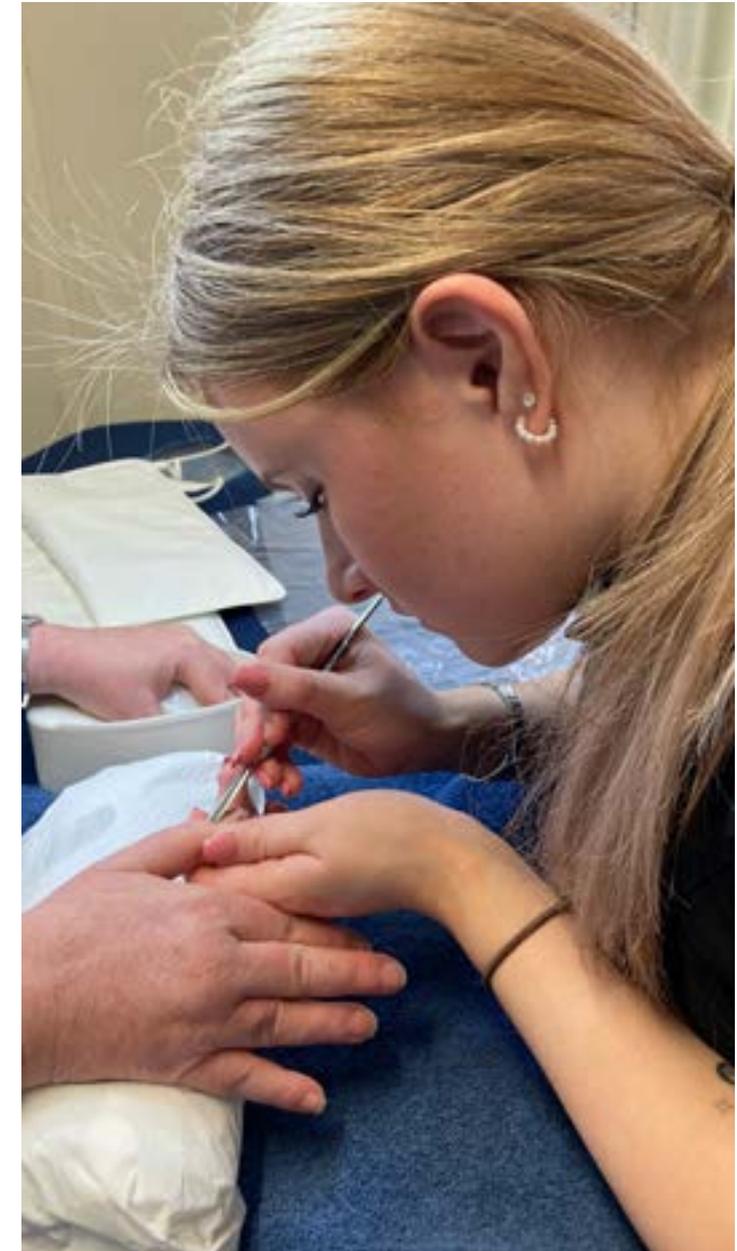
Work Placement is an integral part of the programme ( 3 days in College/2 Days in Work placement)

### Further Study

Students on completion of one of the four pathways, Hair, Beauty, Barbering or Early Years, along with the required level of Essential skills in Numeracy & Communication can progress onto the Level 2 Traineeship in the chosen vocational pathway

### Your Future Career

This program looks at individual needs of students as part our award winning careers academy team will work with the students to help them progress onto a pathway that best suits their own ambitions.





## City and Guilds Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Painting and Decorating

### Course Code

603/7633/8

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students to provide their own PPE required for workshop activities safety boots & overalls

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

**Fast Facts:** There is a shortfall in the number of Painters and Decorators qualified and therefore employment opportunities are good.

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 adding special finishes like glazes or marbling
- tidying up after finishing, and cleaning your tools.

On industrial jobs, you will use abrasive methods like sandblasting to remove old paintwork, and apply finishes with spray-painting equipment. If you like to work with surfaces, have a good eye for detail and are creative then this is the course for you. Students who enter programme without Maths, English and ICT at grade C or above must also attend additional essential skills which allows for progression to Level 3.

### Core Modules

- Level 2 diploma in Painting and Decorating 6707-23
- Level 2 NVQ in Decorative Finishing and Industrial Painting Occupations (Construction) Painter 6572-21

### Optional Modules

Will be decided according to Industry need.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade D or above (or equivalent). You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to an additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Applicants that require to undertake additional qualifications (i.e. Maths/English/ICT) must have written consent from their employer that they will be released during the day from work to attend these classes as they may be run on a different day to normal vocational class. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

**ROI:** OLC Maths and English at Grade O5 or above (or equivalent). You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to an additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Applicants that require to undertake additional qualifications (i.e. Maths/English/ICT) must have written consent from their employer that they will be released during the day from work to attend these classes as they may be run on a different day to normal vocational class. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

60% Coursework 40% Exam

To complete the apprenticeship the candidate is required to complete a L2 Diploma e-portfolio done in college and also a NVQ e-portfolio completed with evidence from site

### Work Placement

You are employed so you attend NWRC 1 day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification and you will also be assessed on site by NWRC Assessor. You may also be required to attend college on days outside of the normal

class day should Ess. skills be required.

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Level 2 Apprenticeship it is possible to progress to undertake a Level 3 Apprenticeship in Painting & Decorating, through Apprenticeship NI. Options for further progression include a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH, or a degree.

### Your Future Career

Salary Guide Starter: £15,000 to £18,000

Experienced: £21,000 to £25,000

Highly Experienced: £25,000 to £30,000

Self-employed painters and decorators set their own pay rates. With experience, you could become a team supervisor or move into related areas like estimating, contract management, interior or set design, or apprentice training.





## IMI Level 2 Apprenticeship / Traineeship

# Motor Light Vehicle Body Repair

Course Code  
500/9686/2 (Level 2)

**Campus**  
Springtown

**Study Mode**  
Full-Time

**Length of Study**  
2 Years

#### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students must provide their own PPE required for workshop activities safety boots & overalls

#### Awarding Body

Institute of Motor Industry (IMI)

#### Course Contact

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#### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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#### Progression



#### Course Overview

Fast facts: 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. 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:

- filling small holes or rusted areas with filler
- making body panels and sections, and welding them into place
- refinishing the repair to match surrounding areas
- keeping a record of all work completed to show customers.
- European Projects and the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions.

Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities. Students who enter programme without Maths, English and ICT at grade C or above must also attend additional essential skills which allows for progression to Level 3.

#### Core Modules

- Level 2 diploma in vehicle accident repair VCQ/VRQ
- Health and Safety
- Fabrication tools and measuring devices
- Removing and fitting non permanently fixed motor vehicle body panels
- Removing and replacing exterior motor vehicle body panels including permanently fixed components
- Minor motor vehicle exterior body panel repairs

- Motor Vehicle body (MAG) welding
- Motor vehicle body resistant spot welding operations
- Removing and fitting motor mechanical, electrical and trim (MET) components to vehicle

#### Optional Modules

As required by Industry.

#### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Traineeship - 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Math and English Grade E as a minimum. Apprenticeship - GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above/equivalent. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to a additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Applicants that are required to undertake additional qualifications must have written consent from their employer that they will be released during the day form work to attend these classes as they may be run on a different day to normal vocational class. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

**ROI:** Traineeship - 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O6 as a minimum. Apprenticeship - Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Applicants that are required to undertake additional qualifications must have written consent from their employer that they will be released during the day form work to attend these classes as they may be run on a different day to normal vocational class. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

#### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

To complete an apprenticeship a VRQ and VCQ e-portfolio must be successfully achieved.

#### Work Placement

Traineeship

Students will initially be provided with in college work placement which will prepare students for industrial placements if gained through the academic year.

#### Apprenticeship

You are employed so you attend NWRC 1 day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification and you will also be assessed in workplace by NWRC Assessor. You may also be required to attend college on days outside of the normal class day should Ess. skills be required.

#### Further Study

On successful completion of level 2 qualification it is possible to progress and undertake a level 3 through Apprenticeship NI.

#### Your Future Career

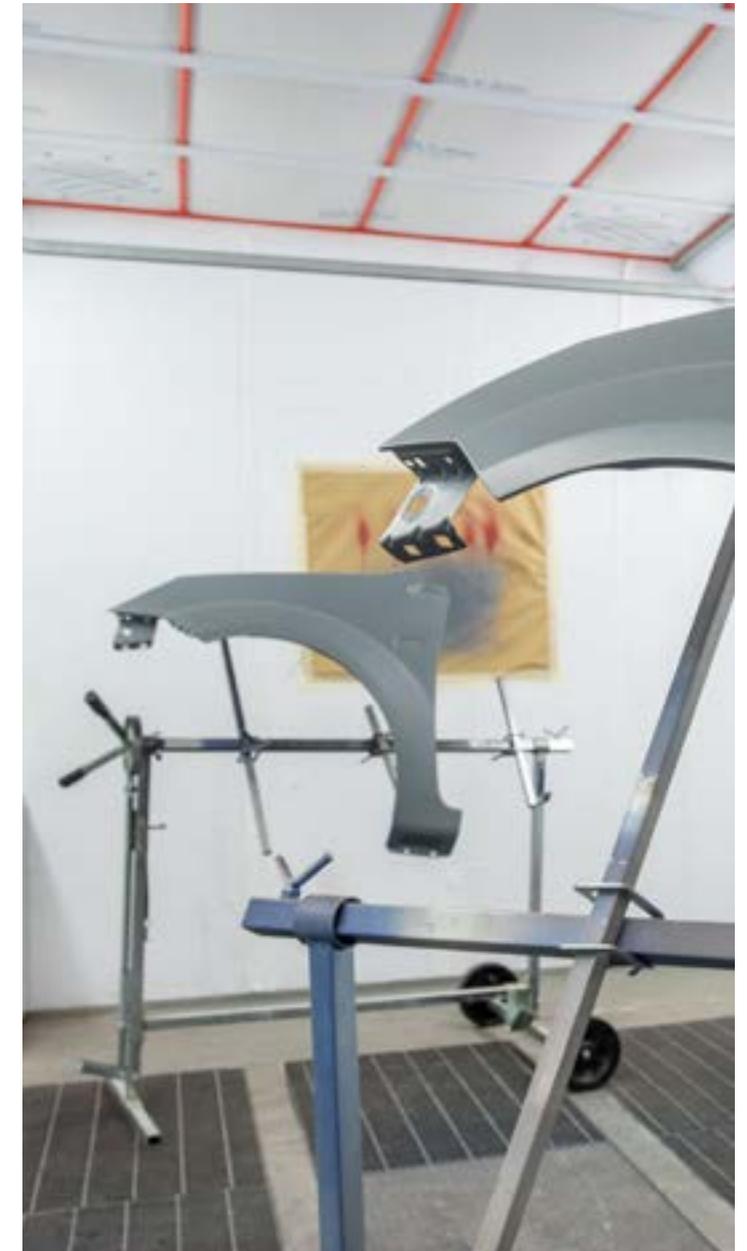
##### Salary Guide

Starter: £15,000 to £18,000

Experienced: £20,000 to £25,000

Highly Experienced: Up to £30,000

With experience, you could become a lead fitter or technician, or move into supervisory and body-shop management positions in larger firms. You could also set up your own business and move into mobile repair. Your lecturers have all been Apprentices and worked their way from Industry to Education.





## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship / Traineeship Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)

### Course Code

610/2947/6

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE College covers cost.

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

As a welder you will work with metals and alloys, and cut and join composite materials, such as plastics, using specialist welding methods. Progressing to L3, you will need an understanding of safe 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 will usually work in the construction and engineering, transport, aerospace and offshore oil and gas industries. Welders need to be able to interpret drawings and translate these into accurate structures and products. Welders join sections, pipe & plate and fabricate large and small pressure vessels. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities or lead to progression on higher level courses. Enrichment activities include competing in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of representing your country at World Skills.

### Core Modules

610/2947/6 L2 Diploma in Engineering (Fab & Weld)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Traineeship - 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade D as a minimum.  
Apprenticeship - GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above/ equivalent. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to a additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

**ROI:** Traineeship - 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum.  
Apprenticeship - Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to attending an additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam  
You will be assessed through a range of online examinations and also a range of practical assessments.

### Work Placement

#### Traineeship

Students will be required to attend work placement which will be organised on a weekly basis or in blocks throughout the calendar year.

#### Apprenticeship

Employment is an integral part of your qualification. You will attend NWRC 1 day per week or as agreed with NWRC and employer (block)

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Level 2 programme it is possible to progress onto full time employment on the Apprenticeship NI programme.

### Your Future Career

Welders can work in shipyards, power stations and off-shore structures and in a diverse range of industries.

#### Salary estimates

Starter: £16,000 to £19,000  
Experienced: £20,000 to £30,000  
Highly Experienced: £35,000.

All of our lecturers in Welding and Fabrication completed their L3 apprenticeship and joined the teaching team after experience in industry.





## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship / Traineeship

# Motor Vehicle Skills

### Course Code

610/2946/4

### Campus

Greystone, Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities safety boots & overalls college cover the cost

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course combines the practical hands-on experience of the workplace with the knowledge, skills and understanding gained in the College classroom and workshops enabling you to successfully achieve a Level 2 NVQ in Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair. This course entails everything from bumper to bumper on a light vehicle that will allow you to competently work on all aspects of light vehicles

### Core modules include:

- Health and Safety
- Positive Working Relationships
- Fabrication
- Vehicle Servicing
- Engine principles and operation
- Vehicle Electrical Systems
- Vehicle Chassis Systems
- Vehicle Transmission systems

Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of representation at World Skills. To succeed every NWRC student requires determination, an interest of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic. Students who enter programme without Maths, English and ICT at grade C or above must also attend additional essential skills which allows for progression to Level 3.

### Core Modules

OCN Level 2 Diploma in Motor Vehicle Skills

### Optional Modules

As required by Industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Traineeship - 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths at Grade D and English Grade E as a minimum. Apprenticeship - GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above/equivalent. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must

commit to a additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at nwrc available prior to September 2026.

**ROI:** Traineeship - 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths at Grade O5 and English Grade O6 as a minimum. Apprenticeship - Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to attending an additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

To complete an apprenticeship an e-portfolio must be successfully achieved which includes written assessment. Also, online exams to be successfully completed.

### Work Placement

Traineeship  
Students will initially be provided with in college work placement which will prepare students for industrial placements if gained through the academic year.

### Apprenticeship

You are employed so you attend NWRC 1 day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification and you will also be assessed on site by NWRC Assessor. You may also be required to attend college on days outside of the normal class day should Ess. skills be required.

### Further Study

On successful completion of level 2 qualification it is possible to complete level 3 through Apprenticeship NI route or part time FE route. Students go on to L4/5 and Degree programmes and our Lecturers have all come through the Apprenticeship programme.

### Your Future Career

Salary Guide

Starter: £18,000

Experienced: £21,000 to £27,000

Highly Experienced: £28,000 to £35,000

With experience, you could become a senior technician, workshop supervisor or garage manager. You could work as a breakdown engineer or MOT tester, or specialise in a particular area like motorsport engineering. You could also work on electric and hybrid cars, or specialise in tuning and modifying vehicles for higher performance. You could also set up your own business.





## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship / Traineeship Plumbing

### Course Code

501/1981/3

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students must provide their own PPE for workshop activities, safety boots & overalls

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Plumbers install complex cold/hot water, sanitation and heating systems. Plumbers can work across many industries, including Gas, Renewables and Oil. Plumbing is well recognised as a necessary skill for the future economy and the rewards are high for those that produce quality work. Our students are constantly encouraged to produce a level of work that will propel them into a successful career. As a NWRC student you may participate in a range of enrichment programs within the duration of your course.

The majority of our students successfully complete the level 2 Plumbing students, progress and remain in fulltime employment. Students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions. Students who enter programmes without Maths, English and ICT at grade C or above must also attend additional GCSE classes which allows for progression to Level 3.

### Core Modules

- Planning and Preparing for the Installation of a Central Heating System
- Installing Underfloor Heating Systems
- Health and Safety in the Plumbing Industry
- Plumbing Industry Processes, Techniques and Principles
- Installing and Maintaining Cold Water Pipework Systems
- Installing and Maintaining an Open Vented Hot Water System
- Sustainability in the Plumbing Industry
- Installing and Maintaining Sanitary Systems
- Practical Plumbing Project

### Optional Modules

Industry relevant units

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Traineeship - 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade D as a minimum. Apprenticeship - GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above/equivalent. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to a additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Applicants that are required to undertake additional qualifications must have written consent from their employer that they will be released during the day from work to attend these classes as they may be run on a different day to normal vocational class. PT evening ICT classes @nwrc available prior to September 2026.

**ROI:** Traineeship - 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum. Apprenticeship - Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Applicants that are required to undertake additional qualifications must have written consent from their employer that they will be released during the day from work to attend these classes as they may be run on a different day to normal vocational class. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

To complete a Level 2 all units within the qualification which have both theory and practical assessments has to be achieved including on site evidence.

### Work Placement

#### Traineeship

Students will initially be provided with in college work placement which will prepare students for industrial placements if gained through the academic year.

#### Apprenticeship

You are employed so you attend NWRC 1 day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification and you will also be assessed on site by NWRC Assessor. You may also be required to attend college on days outside of the normal class day should Ess. skills be required.

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Level 2 it is possible to progress to a Level 3 Apprenticeship. Further options including the Higher National Certificate; Higher National Diploma; NEBOSH; Degree options HE.

### Your Future Career

Many plumbers progress to design, consultancy, teaching and management, making the plumbing and heating industry a career with a long-term future. Salary depending on where you work or if you are employed/self-employed you can earn a good hourly and weekly wage. London and big city plumber's wages can exceed the average wage of £15,000 to £40,000. If you work hard and are recognised as a good plumber, your earnings will give you a good standard of living.





## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship / Traineeship Wet Trades (Brickwork)

### Course Code

610/2945/2

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students must provide their own PPE for activities in the workshop boots and overalls

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Bricklaying is a skill which is in high demand by small and medium sized construction companies and therefore apprenticeship and employment opportunities are good across Northern Ireland. As a bricklayer you will work within the Construction Industry both on commercial and residential projects. You can work internally and externally on residential and commercial projects. If you like to interpret drawings, set out, measure, construct and finish, then this is the career for you. Enrichment activities and personnel 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. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances your Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities. Students without Maths, English and ICT at Grade C or above must also attend additional essential skills which allows for progression to Level 3.

### Core Modules

OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Wet Trades (Brickwork)

### Optional Modules

Units relevant to Industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Traineeship - 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths at Grade D and English Grade E as a minimum. Students without Maths and English at Grade D or above will have the opportunity to complete these at Level 2. Apprenticeship - GCSE Maths and English at Grade D or above/equivalent. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to a additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme.

**ROI:** Traineeship - 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths at Grade O5 and English Grade O6 as a minimum . Students without Maths and English at Grade O5 or above will have the opportunity to complete these at Level 2. Apprenticeship - Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above. You must also have employment with a NI registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. To complete the apprenticeship the candidate is required to complete a Level 2 Diploma e-portfolio with site or college assessment.

### Work Placement

Traineeship

Students will initially be provided with in college work placement which will prepare students for industrial placements if gained through the academic year.

Apprenticeship

You are employed so you attend NWRC one day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification and you will also be assessed on site by NWRC Brickwork Assessor. You may also be required to attend college on days outside of the normal class day should Ess. skills be required.

### Further Study

On successful completion of Apprenticeship Level 2 it is possible to complete a Level 3 through the Apprenticeship NI route. There are also options for progression via a Level 3 Diploma in Brickwork, Higher Level Apprenticeship, HND/C, NEBOSH, and degree options.

### Your Future Career

Skills that are in demand are brickwork repair, pointing, rendering, restoration, conservation, stone cladding. The average Construction salary for Bricklaying jobs is £36,679.



## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship / Traineeship Wet Trades (Wall & Floor Tiling)

### Course Code

610/2945/2

### Campus

Greystone

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students must provide their own PPE for workshop activities safety boots & overalls

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

#### Limavady:

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### Non-Term Time

**Admissions Office**  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course allows candidates to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment and/or career progression in Wall and Floor Tiling. Throughout the course, you will develop the knowledge required to understand the processes and procedures while learning the hands-on skills required to become a competent wall and floor tiler.

You will develop the knowledge and skills in wall and floor tiling by undertaking such units as:

- Health and Safety
- Preparing Backgrounds for Tiling
- Forming sand and cement screeds
- Tile Wall Surfaces
- Tile Floor Surfaces

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

To succeed every NWRC student requires determination, an interest in the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic. Students who enter the programme without Maths, English and ICT at grade C or above must also attend additional essential skills which allows for progression to Level 3. The Awarding Body for this course is City & Guilds.

### Core Modules

- Health and Safety in the Wet Trades Industry
- Understand Building Construction Materials and Methods

### Optional Modules

- Preparing Backgrounds For Wall and Floor Tiling
- Tiling Wall Surfaces
- Tiling Floor Surfaces
- Laying Sand and Cement Floor Screeds

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Traineeship - 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths at Grade D and English Grade E as a minimum. This course will run subject to numbers or alternatively it will be consolidated to run in one of the campuses only. Apprenticeship - GCSE Maths and English at Grade D or above/equivalent Ess.skills . You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2026. This course will run subject to numbers or alternatively it will be consolidated to run in one of the campuses.

**ROI:** Traineeship - 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths at Grade O5 and English Grade O6 as a minimum . This course will run subject to numbers or alternatively it will be consolidated to run in one of the campuses only. Apprenticeship -Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2026. This course will run subject to numbers or alternatively it will be consolidated to run in one of the campuses.

### Assessment

60%% Coursework 40%% Exam

To achieve the full L2 the candidate must complete a Diploma which is assessed in college in the form of practical tasks carried out in the workshop with tasks having a theory multiple choice question paper and two theory-only online assessed exams.

Also, some completed evidence gathered from the workplace can be used.

### Work Placement

#### Traineeship

Students will initially be provided with in college work placement which will prepare students for industrial placements if gained through the academic year.

#### Apprenticeship

As an Apprentice you will already be employed. If you are struggling to find employment our dedicated team of Employment Liaison Officers will support you. Our Open Days are also a great opportunity to meet employers. You may also be required to attend college on days outside of the normal class day should Ess. skills be required.

### Further Study

Students without Maths and English at grade C or above will have the opportunity to complete essential skills to Level 2 as part of the programme of study.

On successful completion of the Level 2 Dip or employment status/pre-entry criteria it is possible to progress onto full time employment on Apprenticeship NI programme.

Apprentices on achievement of Level 2 can progress to L3 AppNI

### Your Future Career

#### Typical Salaries

Starter: £17,000 to £20,000  
Experienced: £20,000 to £30,000  
Highly Experienced: £30,000 to £38,000

With experience and extra training, you could become a site supervisor, clerk of works or contract manager. You could also work as a trainer and assessor on tiling courses or set up your own business.





## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship / Traineeship

# Woodworking Skills

### Course Code

603/7904/2

### Campus

Greystone

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE College covers the cost.

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

**Limavady:**  
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### Non-Term Time

**Admissions Office**  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Carpentry & Joinery enables you to work internally or externally on a range of projects, making furniture, stairs, and roofing systems - the variety for a skilled professional is always challenging. Finishing to a high standard and job satisfaction are integral to success. CNC engraving and milling is an additional woodcraft which you may gain experience with at NWRC. Enrichment activities include personal development workshops on mental health, road safety, and cultural diversity amongst others.

Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of competing in World Skills. Within the Traineeship course, you will also take part in real-life working projects based on the Project-Based learning Model.

### Core Modules

- First and Second Fix Carpentry Techniques
- Health, Safety and Welfare in Woodworking Occupations
- Interpreting Construction Drawings and Information
- Maintain and Use Woodworking Hand and Power Tools
- Practical Woodworking Project
- Setting, Marking Out and Manufacturing of Joinery Products
- Understanding Construction Methods

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Traineeship - 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths at Grade D and English Grade E as a minimum. Apprenticeship - GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above/equivalent. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company

confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2026

**ROI:** Traineeship - 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths at Grade O5 and English Grade O6 as a minimum. Apprenticeship - Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Students must complete knowledge & competence qualification OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Woodworking Skills from Apprenticeship Level 2 framework which allows for seamless transition onto Apprenticeship Level 2 programme.

### Work Placement

#### Traineeship

Students will be required to attend work experience which will be organised on a weekly basis or in blocks throughout the calendar year.

#### Apprenticeship

You are employed so you attend NWRC 1 day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification and you will also be assessed on site by NWRC Assessor

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Level 2 qualification it is possible to progress onto full time employment on Apprenticeship NI programme with further options for progression including a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH, or a degree.

### Your Future Career

Newly trained Joiners can earn in the range of £14,000 - £17,000. Trained with experienced Joiners can earn in the range of £20,000 - £35,000. Senior/master craft bench/site joiners can earn in the range of £30,000 - £50,000 salaries depend on location, employer, level of responsibility, and the amount of overtime worked. Self-employed bench joiners set their own pay rates. Carpenters and Joiners with the right skills and qualifications can become College Lecturers.





## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)\*

### Course Code

610/2947/6

### Campus

Greystone

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



\*Subject to validation

### Course Overview

A welder will work with metals and alloys, cut and join composite materials, such as plastics, using specialist methods. Progressing to L3, you will need an understanding of safe working practices.

Tasks may include:

- setting out 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 will work in the construction and engineering, transport, aerospace and offshore oil and gas industries. Welders interpret drawings and translate these into accurate structures and products. Welders join sections, pipe & plate and fabricate large and small pressure vessels. Participation may lead to exciting employment opportunities or lead to progression on higher level courses. Enrichment activities include competing in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of representing your country at a World Skills event. Students who enter programme without Maths, English and ICT at grade C or above must also attend additional essential skills classes which allows for progression to Level 3.

### Core Modules

610/2947/6 L2 Diploma in Engineering (Fab & Weld)

### Optional Modules

As required by industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to attending an additional class for this to be achieved in the first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC will be available prior to September 2026.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to attending an additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC will be available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam  
You will be assessed on your knowledge through a range of online examinations and through competency based practical assessments.

### Work Placement

Employment is an integral part of your qualification. You will attend NWRC 1 day per week or as agreed with NWRC and employer (block)

### Further Study

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

### Your Future Career

Welders can work in shipyards, power stations and off-shore structures and in a diverse range of manufacturing industries. There is currently a huge demand for good welders.

### Salary estimates

Starter: £16,000 to £19,000  
Experienced: £20,000 to £30,000  
Highly Experienced: £35,000.

All of our lecturers in Welding and Fabrication completed their L3 apprenticeship and joined the teaching team after experience in industry.



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terms and phrases?

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## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship Woodworking Skills

### Course Code

603/7904/2

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students must provide their own PPE for workshop activities safety boots & overalls

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

Carpentry & Joinery can mean you work internally or externally on a range of projects, making furniture, stairs, roofing systems - the variety for a skilled professional is always challenging. Finishing to a high standard and job satisfaction are integral to success. CNC engraving and milling is an additional woodcraft which you may gain experience with at NWRC our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of continuing to World Skills.

To succeed every NWRC student requires determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic. Students who enter programme without Maths, English and ICT at grade C or above must also attend additional essential skills which allows for progression to Level 3.

### Core Modules

- First and Second Fix Carpentry Techniques
- Maintain and Use Woodworking Hand and Power Tools
- Practical Woodworking Project
- Setting, Marking Out and Manufacturing of Joinery Products
- Understanding Construction Methods
- Health, Safety and Welfare in Woodworking Occupations
- Interpreting Construction Drawings and Information

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above/equivalent. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland

registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2026

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

To complete the apprenticeship the candidate is required to complete a combined knowledge and competence qualification, OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Woodworking Skills. This qualification allows for both assessment in the workplace or in college.

### Work Placement

You are employed so you attend NWRC 1 day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification and you will also be assessed on site by NWRC Assessor.

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Apprentice NI Level 3, options for further progression include Higher Level Apprenticeships, Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH, Degree options HE.

### Your Future Career

- Newly trained bench joiners can earn in the range of £14,000 - £17,000
- Trained with experience bench joiners can earn in the range of £20,000 - £30,000
- Senior/master craft bench joiners can earn in the range of £30,000 - £40,000

Salaries depend on location, employer, level of responsibility, and the amount of overtime worked. Self-employed bench joiners set their own pay rates. Carpenters and Joiners with the right skills and qualifications can become College Lecturers.





## APP NI Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Housing Practice

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Apprenticeships NI

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

The qualification focuses on the technical skills and knowledge required of a professional housing officer. Units of study include, understanding the housing sector, professional practice skills, customer service, managing leasehold housing properties and managing empty properties which underpin high quality housing practice care, and the role of the Housing Officer in meeting service users' needs. Students will complete the Level 3 Certificate in Housing and the Level 3 Certificate in Housing Practice with OCN and CIH.

This course is aimed at those already employed in the housing sector (a provider or association), as a housing officer or administrator and who wish to develop their knowledge and skills to enable progression within their chosen area of work or in a specialist area.

The Housing Practice Apprenticeship NI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16+ 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 with one employer. If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy, Literacy or ICT (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

### Core Modules

- Understanding the Housing Sector
- Professional Practice Skills
- Customer Service

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Interview required

**ROI:** Interview required

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Assessment will consist of written assignments, presentations and observation.

### Work Placement

Must currently be employed in a Housing Provider or Housing Association. Minimum requirement of work placement is 21 hours.

### Further Study

This course will lead to Level 4 and Level 5 Foundation Degree or Diploma in Housing Practice and Housing Management.

### Your Future Career

This course will provide the learner with fundamental knowledge and understanding of the Housing sector and can lead to management roles within the housing sector.



## City and Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Plumbing

### Course Code

600/1122/1

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students must provide their own PPE for workshop activities boots and overalls

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

Plumbers can work across many industries, including Gas, Renewables and Oil. Plumbing is well recognised as a necessary skill for the future economy. You will participate in a range of enrichment workshops built into all Level 3 programmes. Our students have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of progressing to World Skills. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities. Many students that have completed the Plumbing Level 3 qualification have went on to have very successful careers such as opening their own business, site supervisors, diversifying into other building services jobs in the fast growing renewable energy area.

### Core Modules

- Organise Resources within the BSE
- Oil Fired Appliance(Design,Install, Commission, Service and Maintain)
- Central Heating (Design,Install, Commission, Service and Maintain)
- Sanitation (Design,Install, Commission, Service and Maintain)
- Complex Cold Water (Design, Install, Commission, Service and Maintain)
- Complex Hot Water (Design, Install, Commission, Service and Maintain)
- Understand and Carry Out Electrical Work on Domestic Plumbing and Heating Systems and Components (Awareness)

### Optional Modules

Industry relevant units

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English and ICT at Grade C or above/equivalent; You must also have employment with a N. Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026 and hold a L2 Plumbing and Heating NVQ prior to entry.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N. Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026 and hold a L2 Plumbing and Heating NVQ prior to entry.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. To complete a Level 3 apprenticeship all units within the qualification which have both theory and practical assessments has to be achieved including on site evidence. The core pathway is oil fired central heating.

### Work Placement

You will be employed and attend college one day per week

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Level 3 Diploma through Apprenticeship NI further progression options including the Higher National Certificate; Higher National Diploma; NEBOSH; or Degree options.

### Your Future Career

Many plumbers progress to design, consultancy, teaching and management, making the plumbing and heating industry a career with a long-term future. Plumbers can also become College Lecturers with the relevant entry criteria.





## EAL Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Electro-Technical Services

### Course Code

601/7345/2 - 600/0665/1

### Campus

Greystone, Springtown, Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

4 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Personnel Protection Equipment

### Awarding Body

EAL

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course combines the practical hands-on experience of the workplace with the knowledge, skills and understanding gained in the College classroom and workshops enabling you to become a fully qualified electrician on completion of your NVQ Portfolio and AM2S Assessment.

Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of representing your country at World Skills. To succeed every NWRC student requires determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic. The Awarding Body for this course is EAL.

### Core modules:

- Health and Safety and Environmental Technologies
- Electrical Principles
- Installation Practices and Procedures
- Preparation, Planning and Overseeing Electrical Installation
- Inspection, Testing, Commissioning, and certification of Electrical installation
- Fault Diagnosis and Rectification \*
- Understanding the requirements of 18th Edition regulations BS7671:2018.

### Optional Modules

As required by Industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must commit to an additional class for this to

be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC will be available prior to September 2026. **ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026. Applicants without ICT @ Level 2 must commit to an additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. PT evening ICT classes at NWRC will be available prior to September 2026.

### Assessment

30% Coursework 70% Exam

This course will be assessed mainly through online examination and also practical assessments.

### Work Placement

As an Apprentice you will already be employed with an electrical company. We have a variety of Apprenticeship models to comply with AppNI guidelines which also support Industry.

### Further Study

Successful candidates can progress into employment or continue to study at Level 4/5 and Degree in Electrical Engineering, Design Engineers.

### Your Future Career

There are many options for the talented Electrician to work locally, nationally and internationally abroad. Electricians work within both large and small business and many electricians are self-employed and own their own business. Some Electricians progress to site or project management, consultancy work or training. Salary scales are dependent on where you work £18,000 to £42,000





## ETCAL Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)

### Course Code

600/0882/9 - 601/1853/2

### Campus

Greystone or Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### Awarding Body

ETCAL

### Course Contact

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**Non-Term Time**

Admissions Offic  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

As a welder you will work with metals and alloys, and cut and join composite materials, such as plastics, using specialist welding methods. You'll need an understanding of safe 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 offshore oil and gas industries. Welders need to be able to interpret complicated drawings and translate these into accurate structures and products. Welders join sections, pipe & plate and fabricate large and small pressure vessels. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities or lead to progression on higher level courses. Enrichment activities include competing in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of representing your country.

### Core Modules

600/0882/9 L3 Diploma in Fabrication & Welding

601/1853/2 L3 NVQ in Fabrication & Welding Performance Operations (PEO)

### Optional Modules

As required by industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English & ICT at Grade C or above and Level 2 vocational qualification in Fabrication

and Welding. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths & ICT at Grade O4 or above and Level 2 vocational qualification in Fabrication and Welding. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

You will be assessed through a range of online knowledge examinations and also a range of practical based assessments. The NVQ also requires the student to submit appropriate site assessment material.

### Work Placement

Employment is an integral part of your qualification. You will attend NWRC 1 day per week or as agreed with NWRC and employer.

### Further Study

Successful candidates can progress into full time employment or continue to a Level 4 qualification. Other options for progression include a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, and a Degree in Engineering.

### Your Future Career

Welders can work in shipyards, power stations and off-shore structures and in a diverse range of manufacturing industries. There is currently a huge demand for good welders.

### Salary estimates

Starter: £16,000 to £19,000

Experienced: £20,000 to £30,000

Highly Experienced: £35,000.

All of our lecturers in Welding and Fabrication completed their L3 apprenticeship and joined the teaching team after experience in industry.





## IMI Level 3 Apprenticeship NI

# Motor Light Vehicle Body Repair

### Course Code

500/9692/8 - 500/9809/3

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Students must provide their own PPE required for workshop activities safety boots & overalls

### Awarding Body

Institute of Motor Industry (IMI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

An auto body repairer works in a specialist garage which is dedicated to repair. 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
- refinishing the repair to match surrounding areas
- keeping a record of all work completed to show customers. European Projects and the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions

### Core Modules

- Competency in removing and Replacing Structural Body Panels
- Competency in Motor Vehicle Major Panel Repairs
- Competency in Rectifying Vehicle Misalignment
- Competency motor Vehicle Body Mechanical Fastening Devices

### Optional Modules

As required by Industry.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English & ICT at Grade C or above (or equivalent) and Level 2 vocational qualification in Light Vehicle Body Repair. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by

31/07/2026 and a level 2 in vehicle accident and repair prior to entry. This course will run subject to numbers.

**ROI:** OLC Maths, English & ICT at Grade O4 or above (or equivalent) and Level 2 vocational qualification in Light Vehicle Body Repair. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026 and a level 2 in vehicle accident and repair prior to entry. This course will run subject to numbers.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

To complete an apprenticeship a VRQ and VCQ e-portfolio must be successfully achieved.

### Work Placement

You are employed so you attend NWRC 1 day/week to complete Level 3 qualification and will also be assessed in workplace by NWRC Assessor.

### Further Study

On successful completion of level 3 qualification it is possible to progress to Level 4 and Level 5 qualifications.

### Your Future Career

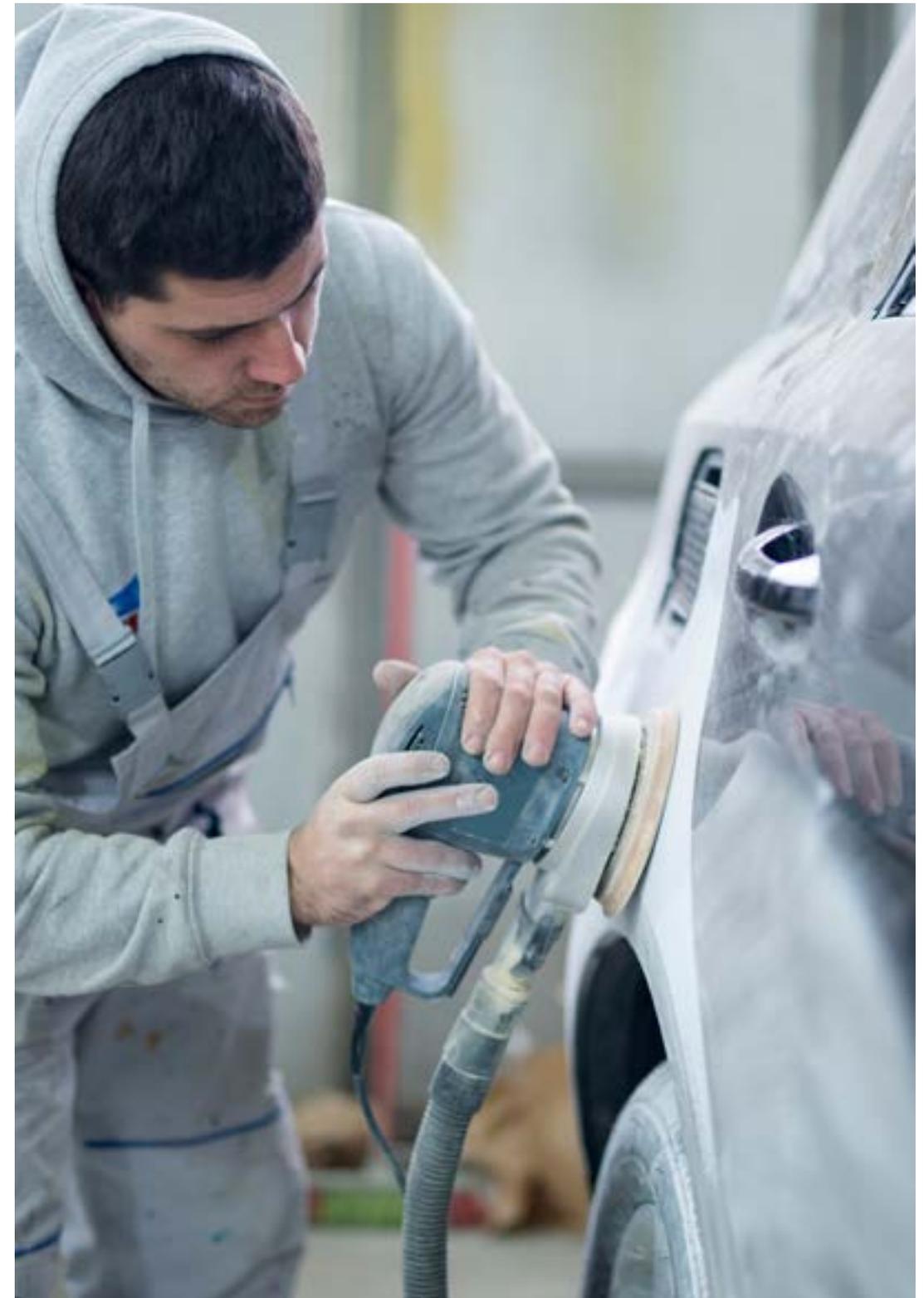
#### Salary Guide

Starter: £15,000 to £18,000

Experienced: £20,000 to £25,000

Highly Experienced: Up to £30,000

With experience, you could become a lead fitter or technician, or move into supervisory and body-shop management positions in larger firms. You could also set up your own business and move into mobile repair. Your lecturers have all been Apprentices and worked their way from Industry to Education.





## IMI Level 3 Apprenticeship NI

# Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair

### Course Code

500/9815/9 (Level 3)

### Campus

Greystone or Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: PPE required for workshop activities safety boots & overalls college cover the cost

### Awarding Body

Institute of Motor Industry (IMI)

### Course Contact

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#### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

You may work for an independent garage, or freight, transport and construction companies, fast-fit outlets and car dealerships. You may specialise in one particular make of vehicle.

Your day-to-day tasks may include:

- telling customers if repairs are needed and whether they're urgent
- working out the estimated time and cost for jobs
- checking stock levels and ordering parts
- carrying out standard servicing, repairs and maintenance
- road testing vehicles to check repairs
- fitting and servicing accessories like stereos and alarms
- keeping records,

Do you enjoy looking under the bonnet of a car and want to learn about diagnostics, repair, replacement and maintenance? People put their trust in you when a car is driven into a workshop and Technology is driving this sector. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities. Awarding Body is IMI.

### Core Modules

- Support for Job Roles in the Automotive Work Environment
- Diagnosis and rectification of Light Vehicle Chassis Faults
- Diagnosis and Rectification of Light Vehicle Engine Faults
- Diagnosis and rectification of vehicle Electrical Faults
- Diagnosis and rectification of Light Vehicle Transmission Faults

### Optional Modules

As required by Industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English & ICT at Grade C or above and Level 2 vocational qualification in Motor vehicle Maintenance Repair prior to entry. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths & ICT at Grade O4 or above and Level 2 vocational qualification in Motor vehicle Maintenance Repair. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026

### Assessment

50%% Coursework 50%% Exam  
Required to complete an E-Portfolio which consists of written essay type assessments and work reports. This is combined with online exams.

### Work Placement

As an Apprentice you will already be employed in the Automotive Industry. Our Open Days are also a great opportunity to meet employers

### Further Study

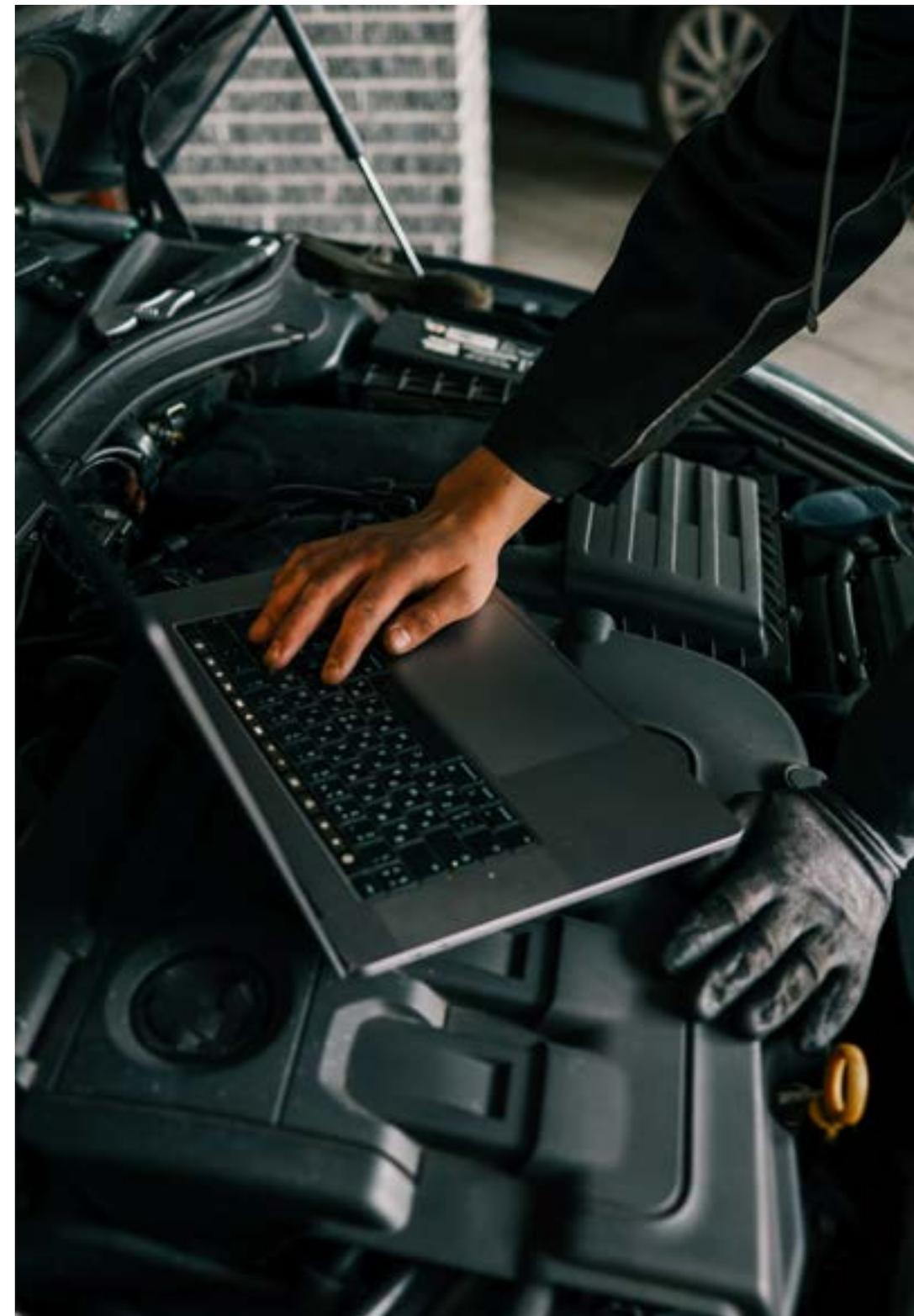
On successful completion of level 3 qualification progression can be to L4/5 and Degree programmes and our Lecturers have all come through the Apprenticeship programme.

### Your Future Career

#### Salary Guide

Starter: £20,000  
Experienced: £25,000 to £27,000  
Highly Experienced: £28,000 to £35,000

With experience, you could become a senior technician, workshop supervisor or garage manager. You could work as a breakdown engineer or MOT tester, or specialise in a particular area like motorsport engineering. You could also work on electric and hybrid cars, or specialise in tuning and modifying vehicles for higher performance. You could also set up your own business.





## NOCN Level 3 Apprenticeship NI L3 Wall and Floor Tiling NVQ & Diploma

### Course Code

603/5463/X

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

NOCN

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification is designed for experienced tilers who want to demonstrate their competence at an advanced level and progress within the construction industry. It provides a nationally recognised standard that validates your skills, knowledge, and ability to work independently to high professional standards. Please note this qualification is currently under curriculum reform which may result in the awarding body of the qualification changing. This course is also run subject to numbers.

### Core Modules

- Provide drainage for tiled surfaces
- Produce tiles, mosaic and stone surface finishes
- Produce internal and external sand and cement backgrounds
- Prepare the background and tile out a wet room (Practical Synoptic Assignment)
- Knowledge of information, quantities and communicating with others
- Knowledge of building methods and construction technology
- Know how to provide drainage for tiled surfaces
- Know how to produce tiles, mosaic and stone surface finishes
- Know how to produce internal and external sand and cement backgrounds
- Know how to carry out safe working practices in construction
- Information, quantities and communicating with others
- Carry out safe working practices in construction
- Building methods and construction technology

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English and ICT at Grade C or above/equivalent; You must also have employment with a N. Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026 and hold a L2 in Wall and Floor Tiling NVQ prior to entry.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O4 or above. You must also have employment with a N. Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026 and hold a L2 in Wall and Floor Tiling NVQ prior to entry.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

This L3 Qualification will see the student undertake both a knowledge (Diploma) and competency (NVQ) qualification.

### Work Placement

You must be employed by a company that covers the range of work as minimum within the qualification modules and attend college one day per week

### Further Study

Progression opportunities can exist in supervisory roles, self employment or further education within construction by undertaking L4 or L5 courses.

### Your Future Career

#### Typical Salaries

Starter: £17,000 to £20,000

Experienced: £20,000 to £30,000

Highly Experienced: £30,000 to £38,000

With experience and extra training, you could become a site supervisor, clerk of works or contract manager. You could also work as a trainer and assessor on tiling courses or set up your own business.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Mechanical Engineering

### Course Code

601/7580/1 (BTEC)  
600/2253/X (ETCAL)

### Campus

Springtown

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

3 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** £ 20-40 Personal and Protective Equipment

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

**Fast Facts:** A precision engineer works 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 Apprenticeship NI scheme offers the trainee an opportunity to train in their chosen trade and the employer the chance to develop a highly motivated and committed workforce. The Level 2/3 is a three year programme in mechanical engineering in which candidates will undergo broad based training in precision machining lathe turning, milling, detail fitting, CAD, PLCs, and basic electrical wiring and testing. In addition candidates will be enrolled on a BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Engineering. On completion of the Level 3 framework the candidate can progress to higher level of study, leading to higher level qualifications to meet each company/candidates requirements.

### Core Modules

- ETCAL L2 NVQ in Performing Engineering Operations
- ETCAL L3 NVQ in Mechanical Engineering
- Pearson L3 Diploma in Engineering

### Optional Modules

Units relevant to Industry requirements.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English & ICT at Grade C or above. You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths & ICT at Grade O4 or above. You must

also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed by 31/07/2026.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

This course is assessed by a range of online examinations and practical assessments. Optional modules can be agreed and selected by employer.

### Work Placement

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. Our Open Days are also a great opportunity to meet employers.

### Further Study

Successful candidates can progress into employment or continue to study at Level 4/5 and then Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

### Your Future Career

This apprenticeship is suitable for those who are currently working within this sector or are looking to gain employment within this sector as a Mechanical or Maintenance Engineer. The UK industry is buoyant at this time and job prospects are positive. Your lecturers have come through the Apprenticeship and a Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

**Salary** (this is an average).

Starter: £15,000 to £18,000  
Experienced: £20,000 to £24,000  
Highly Experienced: £30,000 to £40,000+



# Art & Design



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## Career Paths

- > Fashion Designer
  - > Illustrator
  - > Graphic Designer
  - > Web Designer
  - > Animator
  - > Sculptor
  - > Tattoo Artist
  - > Photographer
- ...plus many more!*



# ART & DESIGN



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## UAL Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication

### Course Code

603/5302/8 (Diploma)  
603/5303/X (Extended Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

University of the Arts London  
(UAL)

### Course Contact

**Derry~Londonderry:**  
Ursula Coyle  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



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### Course Overview

If you have committed your career to Art and Design then this course will provide you with 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.

Work is project led and assessed through course work which allows you to monitor your own progress, and you will work in specialist Art and Design facilities in the Lawrence building.

You will complete the course with a comprehensive portfolio of work to support your application at Art College or University. You will undertake a number of cultural visits to galleries, craft exhibitions in addition to attending workshops with visiting artists.

### Core Modules

#### Year 1 X 3 Mandatory Units

- Unit 1 The Creative Process
- Unit 2 Developing Creative Practice
- Unit 3 Responding to a set Brief

#### Year 2 X 3 Mandatory units

- Unit 4 Researching a Specialist Industry Practice
- Unit 5 Specialist Technical Skills Development
- Unit 6 Specialist Creative Outcome

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art or an art related subject (Moving image/Digital/Design). As well as the required academic qualifications, you will

be interviewed, during which your portfolio of recent work must be presented.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include Art or an art related subject (Moving image/Digital/Design) OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit. As well as the required academic qualifications, you will be interviewed, during which your portfolio of recent work must be presented.

### Assessment

100 %% Coursework 0%% Exam

100% course work assessment. Assessments are portfolio based and include sketch book work, presentations and written work. Students must successfully complete and pass units 1&2, before moving onto the final unit 3 in year 1, and they must successfully complete and pass units 4 & 5 before moving onto the final unit 6 in year 2

### Further Study

This course has a track record of progressing students to L3 Foundation in Art and Design, HND courses at NWRC and degree programmes at universities throughout the United Kingdom and Ireland.

### Your Future Career

Former students have found employment in areas including teaching, graphic design, fine art, illustration, product design, photography, set design, fashion illustration and professional artistry. Level 3 courses are valued by employers, as successful students possess practical experience and a qualification equivalent to 3 A-Levels.





## UAL Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma

# Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication [Design Crafts]

### Course Code

603/5302/8 (Diploma)  
603/5303/X (Extended Diploma)

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

University of the Arts London  
(UAL)

### Course Contact

**Limavady:**  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Ever thought how good it would be to spend all your time on the subject you love the most rather than dividing up your time with a range of different ones? If you are someone who would love a job in the creative industries and are passionate about art and design studies above all else, then this course could be just perfect for you!

This course which runs over two years full-time, will develop your art and design practice more than a traditional 'A' Level, providing you with an exciting, challenging and diverse experience led by a team of specialist lecturers working in dedicated studios and workshops in the Limavady Main Street campus.

It is an exciting alternative to 'A' level study that gives students a much broader art and design education due to the wide range of specialist areas and experiences on offer, some that students may never have tried before. Work is project-led and assessed through coursework which allows you to monitor your progress and the development of your skills throughout the course.

### Core Modules

#### Year 1 3 Mandatory Units

- Unit 1 The Creative Process
- Unit 2 Developing Creative Practice
- Unit 3 Responding to a set Brief

#### Year 2 X 3 Mandatory units

- Unit 4 Researching a Specialist Industry Practice
- Unit 5 Specialist Technical Skills Development
- Unit 6 Specialist Creative Outcome

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art or Art related subject (e.g Moving image, Digital imaging, Technology & Design). You will be required to attend for Interview presenting a portfolio of work which showcases your creative skills and abilities.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include Art or Art related subject (e.g Moving image, Digital imaging, Technology & Design). You will be required to attend for Interview presenting a portfolio of work which showcases your creative skills and abilities.

### Assessment

100%% Coursework 0%% Exam

100% course work assessment. Assessments are portfolio based and include sketchbook work, presentations and written work. In year 1 students must successfully complete and pass units 1 & 2, before moving onto the final unit 3 and then in year 2 students must successfully complete and pass units 4 & 5 before moving onto the final unit 6

### Further Study

Completion of this course provides you with a significant portfolio of work for application to progress your studies to a one year Foundation Art and Design course, or a HND programme at NWRC. Successful completion will also allow you to progress to degree level at your chosen university.

This course is accredited by the University of the Arts London (UAL) awarding body and is equivalent to 3 'A' Levels over two years.

UCAS points (Pass/Merit/Distinction) - 36/60/84 Diploma

UCAS points (Pass/Merit/Distinction) - 72/120/168- Extended Diploma

### Your Future Career

This course will give you an insight into the career options available within this ever-growing industry. Former students have found employment in areas including teaching, graphic design, fine art, illustration, product design, photography, set design, fashion illustration, visual merchandising and marketing, the TV and Film industry and as designer makers and tattoo artists.



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## UAL Level 3 Foundation Diploma Art and Design

### Course Code

603/3138/0

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

University of the Arts London  
(UAL)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

The aim of the UAL Level 3 Foundation Diploma in Art and Design course is to encourage creativity, experimentation and enquiry. The course builds upon students prior experience, linking skills already acquired with ideas and challenges, which will expand their critical independence and enable them to make informed decisions when applying to Higher Education, or seeking employment within a related industry.

The course is characterised by student-centred learning encompassing exploratory and investigative practices, contextual research and material testing and provides a transition from general education to specialist art and design education.

During the course you will be introduced to a range of techniques and processes in Graphic Design, Fashion and Textiles, 3D Design, Illustration, Print and Fine Art. The UAL Level 3 Foundation Diploma in Art and Design is included in the UCAS tariff and attracts tariff points of: Pass = 80, Merit = 96, Distinction = 112.

### Core Modules

- Unit 1: Diagnostic Investigation into Creative Practice- (Level 3)
- Unit 2: Developing Specialist Practice (Level 3)
- Unit 4: Consolidating Practice (Level 4)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 5 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art / Design, Maths and English and 1 A level or equivalent Level 3 Qualification in Art and Design or in a relevant creative subject. You will be required to attend an interview session and must present an A Level standard portfolio. Essential skills L2 Literacy and Numeracy will also be accepted

**ROI:** 5 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include Art / Design, Maths and English and Higher Level H5 or Ordinary Level O1 in Art or equivalent Level 3 qualification in Art and Design or in a relative creative subject. You will be required to attend an interview session and must present a Higher Leaving Certificate standard portfolio.

### Assessment

100%% Coursework 0%% Exam

100% course work. Assessment are portfolio based and include sketchbook work, written work and presentations. Units 1 and 2 must be completed and passed to allow for progression to unit 4. (Unit 4 is graded at Pass, Merit or Distinction)

### Work Placement

Erasmus opportunities are sometimes available during course study.

### Further Study

Successful participants can progress to the HND in Art and Design (Fine Art), HND in Art and Design (Textiles), HND in Digital Design, or to Hons degree programmes throughout the UK, Ireland and Europe

### Your Future Career

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 & Victoria's Secret Lingerie, graphic design, teaching and lecturing, glass design, interior design for Ikea, fashion & news photography, program production with the BBC, fashion/ jewellery design, book and TV animation and product design for Lego in Denmark.

Students have also availed of entrepreneurial opportunities in areas such as Tattoo practice, Exhibitions, Fine Art commissions and retail/craft business development



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## Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Fashion & Textiles

### Course Code

HNC: 610/1790/5 HND:  
610/1791/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC) 2 Year (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This is an exciting and intensive 2-year course offering the opportunity to experience a wide range of textile practices and design skills through exploration and experimentation. The 1st year of the course encourages you to explore a variety of textile processes, including printed and embroidered textiles, weave, and mixed media. In 2nd year students move towards specialised work to refine ideas in design development and textile processes producing more resolved outcomes. Students work on a range of contemporary project briefs, resulting in innovative outcomes.

You will participate in public exhibitions at NWRC and beyond. The course provides a framework to support you to develop specialist in-depth knowledge and skills. This course will encourage practical and intellectual skills in a stimulating and supportive environment. and throughout the 2 years you will explore Textile Art and Design with elements of Fashion. On completion, you can progress onto a relevant degree programme at university or you can also seek employment in the creative industries.

### Core Modules

- HNC Year 1: Module A: process & Practice - A1 Concept & Development
- HNC Year 1: Module A: Process & Practice - A2 Creative Project
- HND Year 2: Module B: professional Creative Practice - B1 Personal professional Development
- HND year 2: Module B: professional Creative Practice: B2 Professional Project

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS points at A-Level (must include Art or Art related subject) together with 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art, Maths

and English, OR Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design, Level 3 Art and Design Foundation Diploma or equivalent Level 3 qualification. A portfolio of work demonstrating your suitability and aptitude for this course must be presented at interview. Minimum age for entry is normally 18  
**ROI:** 32 UCAS points to include Art at Higher Level and 4 OLC's (Grade O5 or above) to include Art, Maths and English or equivalent; OR Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design, Level 3 Art and Design Foundation Diploma or equivalent Level 3 qualification. A portfolio of work demonstrating your suitability and aptitude for this course must be presented at interview. Minimum age for entry is normally 18

### Assessment

100%% Coursework 0%% Exam

Assessment is at the end of each unit of study throughout the year and will be based upon research work, practical work and presentations

### Work Placement

Students do not attend work placement

### Further Study

On completion, you can progress onto a relevant degree programme at university with exemptions from Year 1 and Year 2 in some cases.(This is at the discretion of the university) Course included are: BA (Hons) Fashion, BA (Hons) Fashion and Design, BA (Hons) printed Fashion Textiles, BA(Hons) Textiles Having developed a strong skill base, you can also seek employment in the creative industries.

### Your Future Career

Textile designer, Print designer, Textile technician, Small business enterprise, Retail buyer, Visual merchandiser, Creative industries, Teaching.





## Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Fine Art

### Course Code

610/1794/2 HNC 610/1795/4 HND

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC) 2 Year (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course offers you the opportunity to experience a range of Fine Art Practices with a focus on Contemporary Fine Art, offering the chance to develop a personal visual language through exploration and experimentation with processes, materials and ideas.

The course will expose you to contemporary practices within Fine Art including Painting, Sculpture, Printmaking, Digital multimedia and installation work and will provide opportunities for you to exhibit your work to the public. As a student you will develop the underlying knowledge and skills that will enable you to begin your journey in the Fine Art industry. Combining research, development and production, you will explore the knowledge, understanding and technical skills required to progress within the creative Industries sector.

Throughout the course you will be required to reflect and evaluate your own personal and professional practice in the form of written submissions. The course will encourage you to develop as a professional self-reflective individual. This course requires independent study outside of the timetabled hours

### Core Modules

#### Year One

- Unit A1: Concept and Development
- Unit A2: Creative Project

#### Year Two:

- Unit B1: Personal Professional Development
- Unit B2: Professional Project

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS points at A-Level (must include Art or Art related subject) together with 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art, Maths and English OR Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design; Level 3 Art and Design Foundation Diploma; or equivalent Level 3 qualification. You will be required to present a portfolio of work demonstrating your suitability and aptitude for this course at interview. Minimum age for entry is normally 18, which may be waived in exceptional cases.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS points to include Art at Higher Level and 4 OLC's (Grade O5 or above) to include Art, Maths and English OR Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design, Level 3 Art and Design Foundation Diploma or equivalent Level 3 qualification. A portfolio of work demonstrating your suitability and aptitude for this course must be presented at interview. Minimum age for entry is normally 18, which may be waived in exceptional cases.

### Assessment

100%% Coursework 0%% Exam

During the 2 years you will study 4 units. 2 level 4 units in year 1 and 2 level 5 units in year 2. Assessment is based upon individual submission of practical work, sketchbooks, presentations and written assignments / reports throughout both years.

### Work Placement

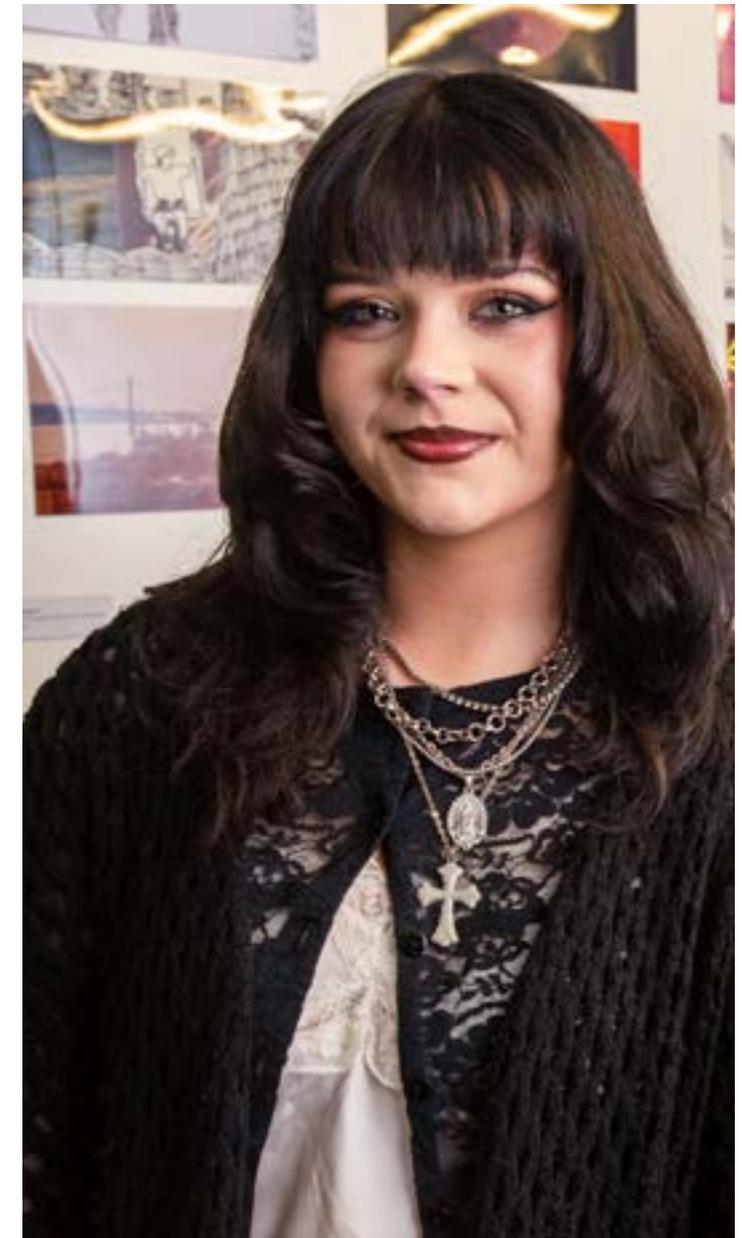
Students are not required to undertake work placement

### Further Study

On completion of the course you can progress into a relevant degree programme at university with exemption of Year 1 and 2 in some cases, or seek employment opportunities in this field. (University places are most often subject to interview)

### Your Future Career

Professional Practicing Artist Gallery Assistant/ Curator Education/ Teaching Studio assistant working within the Creative Industries.



# Built Environment & Renewable Technologies



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## Career Paths

- › Civil Engineer
- › Architect
- › Quantity Surveyor
- › Structural Engineer
- › Building Manager
- › Estates Manager
- › Environmental Engineer
- › Infrastructure Designer

...plus many more!

We also offer  
Higher Level  
Apprenticeships  
in this subject area

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# BUILT ENVIRONMENT & RENEWABLE TECHNOLOGIES



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## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma Construction and the Built Environment

### Course Code

603/0861/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This is a nationally recognised construction qualification aimed at students who wish to follow a career in the construction industry. The Extended Diploma is a two-year, full-time course that is equivalent to 3 A levels.

The course will provide opportunities for students to progress within the industry and to higher level study. The course can also support learners who want to progress directly to employment in job roles in the construction industry and to Higher Level Apprenticeships (HLAs) in the construction sector. The course will provide education and training for a range of careers in construction and the built environment, including civil engineering, renewable engineering, building services engineering, quantity surveying, construction management, architecture and architectural technology.

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 Computer Aided Design software to produce plans and specifications of domestic and commercial buildings. Assessment projects are designed to be directly related to real life construction industry scenarios.

### Core Modules

- Construction Principles
- Construction Design
- Tendering and Estimating
- Construction Technology
- Health and Safety in Construction
- Surveying in Construction
- Graphical Detailing in Construction
- Building Regulations & Control in Construction
- Management of a Construction Project

### Optional Modules

- Offsite and Onsite Alternative Construction Methods
- Provision of Primary Services in Construction
- Building Surveying in Construction
- Construction in Civil Engineering
- Renewable Energy for Housing
- Housing Design Project

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Diploma in Construction OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths

**ROI:** Level 2 Diploma in Construction OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include Maths and English OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit

### Assessment

67% Coursework 33% Exam

The extended diploma consists of 15 units which have been developed in collaboration with employers and representatives from higher education and relevant professional bodies to

ensure that content is up to date and that it includes the knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes required in the construction sector. There are nine mandatory units. Three are externally assessed requiring learners to sit an examination and four units are internally assessed (coursework). A further six optional units which are also internally assessed make up the remainder of the course. Internally assessed units allow learners to be assessed using a variety of styles to help them develop a broad range of transferable skills. Learners could be given opportunities to write up the findings of their own research and demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate processes, software and equipment.

### Further Study

Successful completion of this course will allow you to progress to a Higher Level Apprenticeship Programme, to Higher National Certificate and to Higher National Diploma courses within NWRC. You can also progress to university to study a degree course in areas including Architecture, Architectural Technology, Civil Engineering, Quantity Surveying, Planning, Building Services Engineering and Construction/ Site Management.

### Your Future Career

The course will provide opportunities for you to progress directly into employment at technician level in areas such as architecture, quantity surveying, building services or civil engineering. You could also potentially work for building contractors as a site engineer or construction manager trainee.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Technical Apprenticeship Civil Engineering

### Course Code

603/1217/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed for learners wishing to gain an apprenticeship within the Civil Engineering industry. To access this course, applicants should note that they must first be in employment or have secured employment with a relevant Civil Engineering employer for the duration of the course prior to commencing.

NWRC is the education provider for the course which will provide you with the skills and knowledge you need to start working and/ or pursue a career in Civil Engineering. The apprenticeship course is a two-year, full-time course and is equivalent to 3 A-levels. 1 extended day will be spent at NWRC and 4 days are spent with the employer.

Throughout the course you will get the opportunity to gain excellent practical and academic skills, knowledge and experience, achieved through work-based learning and directed training within the workplace and at the college.

Further information as to how you can apply for an apprenticeship can be found through Apprenticeship Connect (NI).

### Core Modules

- Construction Principles
- Construction Technology
- Construction Design
- Health and Safety in Construction
- Site Engineering for Construction
- Further Mathematics for Construction
- Construction in Civil Engineering

### Optional Modules

- Specialist Civil Engineering Techniques
- Management of a Construction Project
- Surveying in Construction

### Entry Requirements

UK: This is an apprenticeship course and applicants should note that they must first be in employment or have secured employment with a relevant employer for the duration of the course prior to commencing. Should an employer be secured, applicants are required to have: Level 2 Diploma in Construction, OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Mathematics.

ROI: This is an apprenticeship course and applicants should note that they must first be in employment or have secured employment with a relevant employer for the duration of the course prior to commencing. Should an employer be secured, applicants are required to have: Level 2 Diploma in Construction, OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Mathematics; OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit.

### Assessment

33% Coursework 67% Exam

The course is made up of 2 qualifications: A work based learning qualification; Level 3 Diploma in Civil Engineering for Technicians Institution of Civil Engineers and also a BTEC Level 3 Diploma in civil Engineering. The work based learning qualification involves gathering a portfolio of evidence of activities undertaken for civil engineering modules. The diploma qualification consists of 10 units

which have been developed in collaboration with employers and representatives from higher education and relevant professional bodies to ensure that content is up to date and that it includes the knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes required in the construction sector.

There are 7 mandatory units and 3 optional units. Of the mandatory units, and 2 are externally assessed, requiring learners to sit an examination and 5 are internally assessed (coursework). A further 3 optional units which are also internally assessed make up the remainder of the course.

### Work Placement

Apprentices will be employed full time within the construction industry working a minimum of 21 hours per week.

### Further Study

Successful completion of this course will allow you to progress to a Level 4 Higher National Certificate, Level 5 Higher National Diploma or to a Higher-Level Apprenticeship at NWRC. Students could also progress to a relevant university degree course if they attain the necessary UCAS points.

### Your Future Career

The course will provide opportunities for you to progress directly into employment at technician level in civil engineering. You could also potentially work for building contractors as a site engineer or construction manager trainee.



# Business



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## Career Paths

- › Project Manager
  - › Entrepreneur
  - › Accountant
  - › Customer Service Officer
  - › Financial Advisor
  - › Marketing Manager
  - › Personal Assistant
  - › Business Analyst
- ...plus many more!

We also offer Higher Level Apprenticeships in this subject area

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## Pearson BTEC Level 2 Certificate Workskills

### Course Code

603/7631/4

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Are you unclear of your preferred career path?

The Work Skills programme offers students a chance to explore different career options and be interview ready for your chosen option. During a required information session you will receive advice and guidance on the programme and complete a short assessment of your literacy and numeracy skills - this is to make sure that the programme will suit your individual needs.

Our programmes provide opportunities to gain skills to help you progress into employment or on to further studies at the College. This qualification focuses on developing personal life skills, employability skills, essential skills in both Literacy and Numeracy, completion of an enterprise activity (Enterprise skills), plus specialised skills for business enterprise and hospitality crafts. (subject to change)

### Core Modules

- Developing Job application skills
- Building Working Relationships with Customers
- Using a CV and Covering Letter to Apply For a Job
- Career Progression
- Understanding Employment Responsibilities and Rights
- Planning and Running Enterprise Activity
- Essential Skills Literacy
- Essential Skills Numeracy

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No formal qualifications.

**ROI:** No formal qualifications.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Assessment for Workskills units is through assignments and project research. Essential Skills Literacy and Numeracy at Level 1 and 2 are assessed through examination. Entry level Essential Skills Literacy and Numeracy are assessed through portfolio and a desktop task.

### Further Study

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

### Your Future Career

There may be opportunities for progression to level 1 or 2 courses at NWRC depending on entry criteria or students may progress to entry level employment.



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma / National Extended Diploma Business

### Course Code

601/7161/3 (Foundation Diploma)  
601/7160/1 (Ext Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Limavady:

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

BTEC National qualifications are widely recognised by industry and higher education as the principal vocational qualification at level 3. If you have a keen interest in exploring real business practices, then this course is perfect for you. You will learn by completing projects, assignments based on realistic workplace situations and externally set and marked exams. The Foundation Diploma is a one-year programme which would suit learners wishing to top up existing qualifications for entry to Higher Education.

The qualification carries UCAS points and is recognised by higher education providers as contributing to meeting admission requirements to many relevant business Foundation Degrees and HNDs. The Extended Diploma is a two-year, full-time course that meets entry requirements in its own right for learners who want to progress to higher education courses in business areas before entering employment. It can also support learners who want to progress directly to employment in job roles in business or business management and the Higher-Level Apprenticeships in Business & Enterprise, or Accounting.

### Core Modules

- Exploring Business
- Developing a Marketing Campaign
- Personal and Business Finance
- Managing and Event
- Principles of Management
- Business Decision Making
- International Business

### Optional Modules

- Financial statements for Specific Businesses
- Recruitment and Selection
- Digital Marketing
- Pitching for a New Business
- Investigating Customer Service
- Employment Law

### Entry Requirements

UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including English or equivalent. If you do not hold a level 2 qualification in Numeracy, you will be expected to complete this during your study.

ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) including English or equivalent. If you do not hold a level 2 qualification in Numeracy, you will be expected to complete this during your study.

### Assessment

60% Coursework 40% Exam  
Assessment includes assignments and externally set examinations and case studies.

### Further Study

Successful completion of the Extended Diploma will enable you to apply for higher education courses with us, such as the Foundation Degree in Business and Enterprise or Degree courses in Business, or related subjects at university.

### Your Future Career

Successfully completing this course will enable you to apply for entry level employment in areas such as, Finance, Human Resource Management, Marketing or Business Management





## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Business and Enterprise

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time or Part-Time

### Length of Study

2 years full time  
2.5 years part time

### Additional Fees

Other: Exam Fee payable

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



We also offer a  
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Apprenticeship**  
in this subject

### Course Overview

This innovative course, based on industry needs, will give you the opportunity to develop business enterprise knowledge and business skills and an employment experience.

A key feature of this course is the work based learning which provides the opportunity to work in a company on a 'live' project. Students find this aspect of the course particularly interesting and very useful. Knowledge and skills will be gained through activities and application to 'real world' business issues and opportunities. Practical aspects of people management, marketing and finance will feature strongly in related modules.

The course provides students with opportunities to develop and enhance their range of personal and interpersonal transferable skills which are vital to success in the workplace.

### Core Modules

- Digital Marketing Management
- Principles of Economics
- Introduction to Financial Accounting
- Principles of Management
- Foundations of Entrepreneurship
- Professional Skills
- Work-Based Learning
- Academic and Career Enhancement Skills
- High Performance Work Enterprises
- Accounts and Ethics for Business Managers
- Marketing in the Digital Era

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS points + GCSE Maths Grade C or equivalent and GCSE English Grade C or equivalent. Access - 50% (which includes Level 2 in Communications & Mathematics). Applicants who do not meet the formal entry requirements may be eligible to

apply through APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning). For details, visit: [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply)

**ROI:** 64 UCAS points equivalent + OLC (Grade O4 or above) in English and Maths. Access - 50% (which includes Level 2 in Communications & Mathematics). Applicants who do not meet the formal entry requirements may be eligible to apply through APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning). For details, visit: [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply)

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

Assessment methods include class based assessments, assignments, group work and reflective evaluations.

### Work Placement

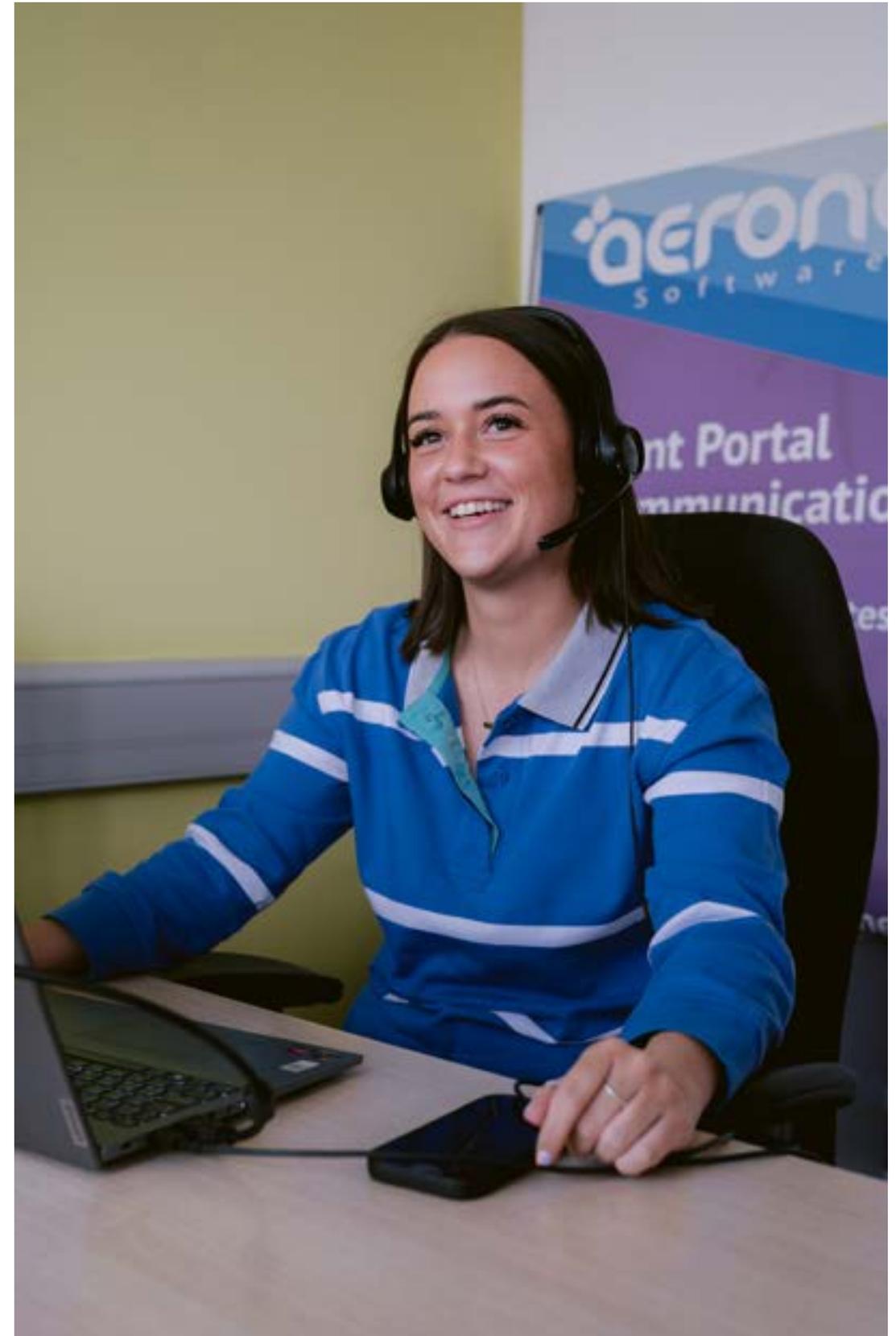
Work placement takes place in the second year of the course, 2 - 3 days per week over 24 weeks (for full time students). For part time students it takes place both in year 1 and in year 2.

### Further Study

Validated by Ulster University the Foundation Degree is an Ulster University degree in its own right but also provides the opportunity to progress to the final year of the Honours Business degree at Magee (after successful completion of a summer bridging module subject to entry criteria). Students who choose this option would complete a BSc Hons Business degree in 3 years full time study (2 years NWRC plus 1 year Magee).

### Your Future Career

Progression opportunities include careers in Marketing, Finance, Business Development and Human Resources.





## CMI Level 7 Certificate

# Strategic Management and Leadership Practice\*

**Course Code**

603/4834/3

**Campus**

Online

**Length of Study**

1 Year

**Awarding Body**

Chartered Management Institute

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**Non-Term Time**

Admissions Office

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**Progression**

**Course Overview**

Delivered online and designed for individuals desiring to develop strategic management & leadership practices who will have the knowledge, skills & behaviours to drive business activities in a senior, regional, specialist, director or CEO management and leadership role.

This course will give managers the expertise & significantly improve their ability to implement fundamental management and leadership models within an organisation's strategic framework. The course contains a range of units that reflect the tasks and activities required by managers in roles such as senior/regional management, & specialist managers accountable to a senior manager or business owner. The Level 7 Certificate in Strategic Management and Leadership Practice is an extensive course that will give you a wider range of skills & competencies to become a competent manager and deliver effective results for your organisation. Studying for a CMI qualification offers you more than just academic standing.

When you enrol at NWRC for the CMI Level 7 Certificate in Strategic Management and Leadership Practice, you will have access to CMI Membership and Support for the duration of your study alongside your qualification.

**Optional Modules**

- Developing Organisational Strategy
- Personal & Professional Development for Strategic Leaders

**Entry Requirements**

**UK:** This course is designed for practicing or aspiring senior managers, regional managers, specialist managers, or directors. To be eligible for this course, you must: Hold an Honours Degree qualification in any subject at a minimum of a 2:2 grading or above AND Hold a post that demonstrates a work role at a Senior Management Position' with experience of/or opportunity to, leading strategic change within an established organisation. All applicants will have to provide a CV and successfully complete an Interview.

**ROI:** This course is designed for practicing or aspiring senior managers, regional managers, specialist managers, or directors. To be eligible for this course, you must: Hold an Honours Degree qualification in any subject at a minimum of a 2:2 grading or above AND Hold a post that demonstrates a work role at a Senior Management Position' with experience of/or opportunity to, leading strategic change within an established organisation. All applicants will have to provide a CV and successfully complete an Interview.

**Assessment**

100% Coursework 0% Exam

For each module you study, you will complete a written assignment of 3500 to 4500 words. This will be submitted to CMI directly and assessed by a CMI-approved tutor. RULES OF COMBINATION CMI Level 7 Certificate in Strategic Management and Leadership Practice Learners must complete any combination of units to a

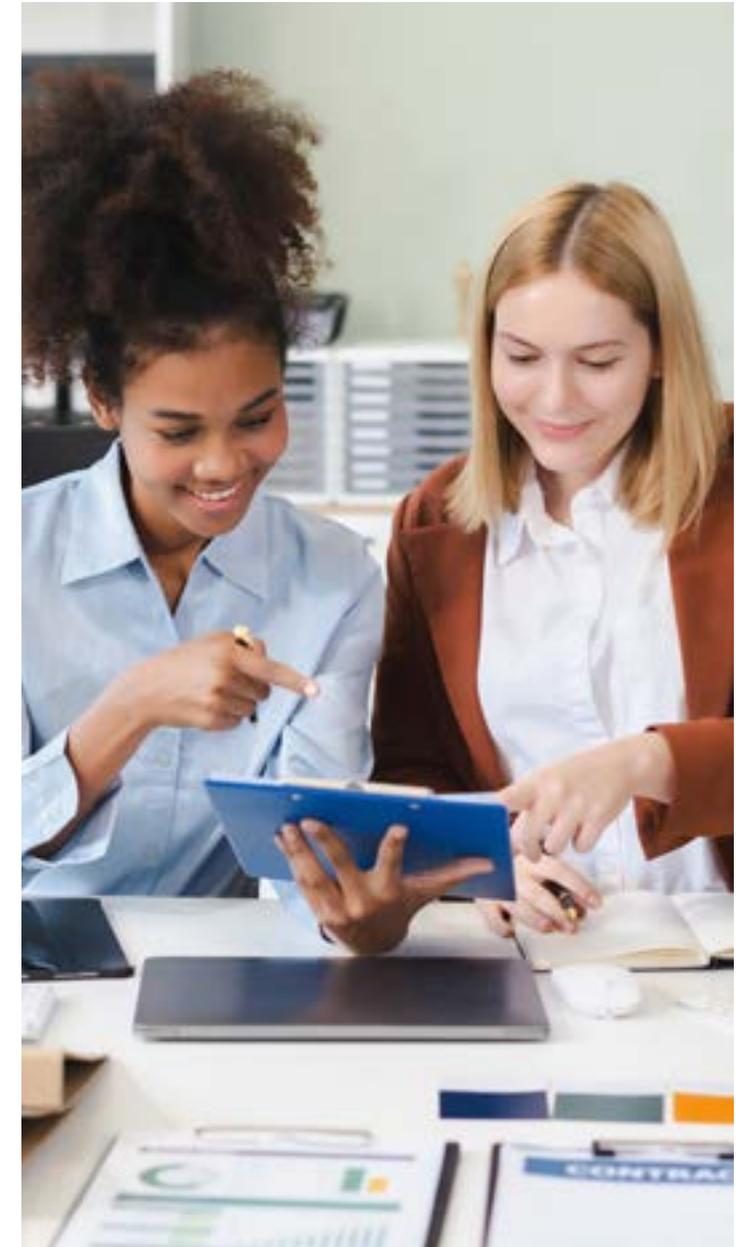
minimum of 140 TQT hours, 14 credits to achieve this qualification. Units include: Personal & Professional Development for Strategic Leaders Developing Organisational Strategy

**Further Study**

Use this course to progress onto higher levels of study, including MBAs with universities in the UK.

**Your Future Career**

- How Will I Benefit from the course?
- This course will improve your leadership and strategic management skills and develop your ability to apply them at a strategic level within your organisation
- Apply the tools, models and theories directly to real-life work-based problems and see the benefits in your organisation
- Demonstrate to current and prospective employers your capabilities, ambition and commitment to professional development
- Significantly improve your career prospects and earning power.



\*Subject to validation

# Care & Health



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## Career Paths

- > Nurse
  - > Radiographer
  - > Paramedic
  - > Midwife
  - > Carer
  - > Social Worker
  - > Paediatric Nurse
  - > Dental nurse
- ...plus many more!



# CARE & HEALTH



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## OCN NI Level 1 and Level 2 Certificate / Diploma Transition

### Course Code

601/3888/9

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady or Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Safety shoes for joinery and catering approx £40

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

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Admissions Office

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed for those with mild to moderate learning disabilities, and provides a wide range of learning opportunities to help with employment or progression onto further courses. Classes are small with a high lecturer to student ratio, as well as classroom support staff. 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. We incorporate health and wellbeing throughout the course.

After two years, students will receive OCN Level 1/2 certificates in Vocational Skills and Employability Skills.

Students can take an optional project-based learning module -This involves using the students ideas to create new products and run small enterprises. This exciting and innovative way of learning provides opportunities for team working, leadership and development of communication skills.

All applicants will be interviewed, and parents, and relevant professionals may attend. Arrangements for meeting individual support needs will be discussed to ensure that students have every opportunity to succeed.

### Core Modules

- Numeracy
- Literacy
- Business Retail
- Vocational Skills
- Employability Skills
- Personal, Social, & Health Education
- Information Technology

### Optional Modules

- Healthy Living
- Joinery
- Art
- Drama
- Project Based Learning
- Alcohol Awareness
- Catering
- Life skills & First Aid

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Meeting with course team

**ROI:** Meeting with course team

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Written assignments and creating products e.g. Bird table in joinery. Performing shows in drama. Making pasta dishes in catering. Creating crafts in art.

### Work Placement

We offer a 4-week Mencap 'Job Club', giving 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.

**Further Study**

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

### Your Future Career

Previous students have obtained employment opportunities in retail and hospitality.



## Pearson BTEC Level 1 First Diploma Health and Social Care

### Course Code

601/0170/2

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Materials: £10

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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Admissions Office

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course, equivalent to four GCSEs, provides an engaging introduction to the health and social care sector. Learners will develop a strong foundation in the knowledge and skills required to become confident and capable practitioners within professional settings. A range of external visits and guest speakers enriches the programme, offering valuable insight into real-world practice. Students will also benefit from additional project-based learning, as well as specialist education in visual awareness and sensory loss. Successful completion at the appropriate level, alongside GCSE English at grade C or above or Essential Skills Level 2 in Communication (where required), enables learners to progress to Level 3 pathways such as the Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care, Health Studies, or Health Sciences. Those who achieve this qualification may also be able to progress to a Level 2 Traineeship in Health and Social Care. Learners who do not already hold GCSE English and Maths at grade C or above, or Essential Skills Level 2 in Literacy and Numeracy, will be required to complete these alongside their BTEC qualification.

### Core Modules

- Human Lifespan Development
- Health and Social Care Values
- Effective Communication in Health and Social Care
- Equality and Diversity in Health and Social Care
- Individual Rights in Health and Social Care
- Healthy Living
- Carrying out a Research Project in Health and Social Care

### Optional Modules

- The Impact of Nutrition on Health and Wellbeing

- Promoting Health and Wellbeing
- An Introduction to Basic First Aid
- Infection Control in Health and Social Care
- Creative and Therapeutic Activities in Health and Social Care
- Skills and Qualities for Working in the Health and Social Care Sector

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSE'S Grade D-G

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grade 05-08

### Assessment

88% Coursework 12% Exam

88% Coursework, 12% Exam. External Examination short answer questions for two units - Healthy Living and Lifespan Units - are completed in January. The remaining units are assessed internally as coursework units.

### Work Placement

Work placement is not a component of this course however students may have an opportunity to visit Health and Social Care Settings with Tutors.

### Further Study

Students who have successfully completed this qualification may be able to progress to Level 2 Traineeship Health and Social Care. Successful completion at the appropriate level, alongside GCSE English at grade C or above or Essential Skills Level 2 in Communication (where required), enables learners to progress to Level 3 pathways.

### Your Future Career

You may be able to progress to Traineeship at Level 2 which will help you experience real work situations in Health and Social Care.





## Pearson BTEC Level 2 Traineeship Health and Social Care

### Course Code

601/0170/2

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20 - £40

Materials: £10

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is equivalent to GCSEs and is designed as an introduction to the health and social care sector. In addition to the core qualification, students will undertake transversal skills and project based learning enhancing their employability and holistic learning. External visits and visiting speakers will enable students to develop a deeper knowledge about this sector.

Additional education in the area of visual awareness and sensory loss will be provided. Successful completion at the appropriate level enables students to apply for progression onto Level 3 pathways such as Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care/ Health Studies/Health Sciences. This pathway also supports progression to the level 3 AppNI course.

### Core Modules

- Human Lifespan Development
- Health and Social Care Values
- Effective Communication in Health and Social Care
- Equality and Diversity in Health and Social Care
- Individual Rights in Health and Social Care
- Healthy Living
- Carrying out a Research Project in Health and Social Care

### Optional Modules

- Creative and Therapeutic Activities in Health and Social Care
- Skills and Qualities for Working in the Health and Social Care Sector
- The Impact of Nutrition on Health and Wellbeing

- Promoting Health and Wellbeing
- An Introduction to Basic First Aid
- Infection Control in Health and Social Care

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade D as a minimum. Students who do not hold Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during this course. Students who do not hold Grade D in English and Maths will be able to apply to complete the Full Time Level 1/2 First Diploma in Health and Social Care.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum. Students who do not hold Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during this course. Students who do not hold Grade O5 in English and Maths will be able to apply to complete the Full Time Level 1 First Diploma in Health and Social Care.

### Assessment

88% Coursework 12% Exam

External Examination short answer questions for two units - Healthy Living and Lifespan Units - are completed in January. The remaining units are assessed internally as coursework units.

### Work Placement

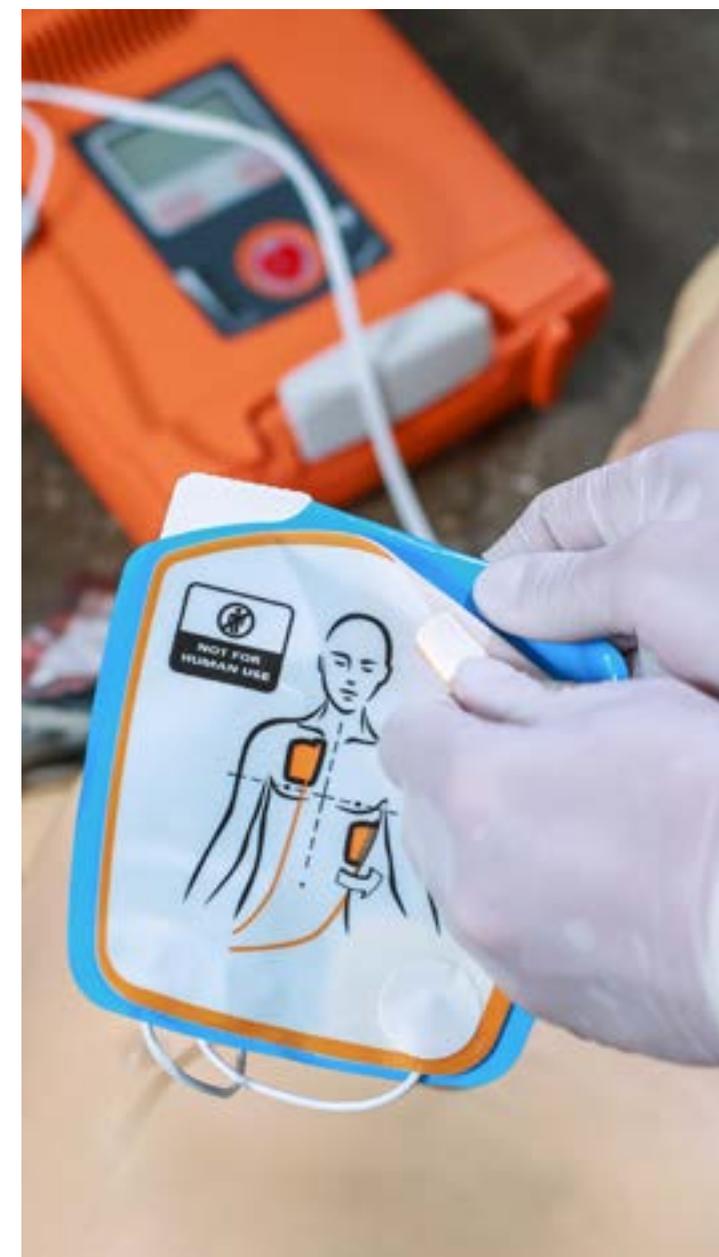
Work placement is an essential component of this course. Enrolment on this course is subject to checks, including a satisfactory Access NI check. As placement is an integral part of your qualification, a self-declaration of current health status is necessary as part of the overall risk assessment process. Students must be deemed fit for placement.

### Further Study

Students who have successfully completed this qualification with the required grade can progress to Level 3 Health and Social Care pathways.

### Your Future Career

Past students who have not continued their studies at further education have gained employment in the health and social care sector, working as care assistants, domiciliary carers, or support workers.





## City and Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship Dental Nursing Practitioner (Diploma)

### Course Code

610/4803/3

### Campus

Limavady, Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

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Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is aimed at those already employed or about to be employed 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 6 hour class and will also receive one to one support from an assessor.

### Core Modules

- Preparing for Professional Practice in Dental Nursing
- Health and Safety Practices in the Dental Setting
- Prevention and control of infection in the Dental setting
- Dental and regional anatomy, oral health assessments and treatment
- Recognising and supporting actions during first aid and medical emergencies
- The safe use of ionising radiation to produce quality radiographic images
- Provide support for the control of periodontal disease and caries, and the restoration of cavities
- Provide support during the stages of prosthetic treatments
- Provide support during the stages of endodontic procedures
- Provide support during extractions and minor oral surgery
- Scientific and practical information to support the patients oral and physical health

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE English and Maths Grade C or above.

**ROI:** Students must have OLC Maths and English Grade O5 or equivalent.

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

Students will be assessed in the workplace and will build a portfolio of evidence of observed practice. They must also successfully complete 2 externally marked MCQ tests. MCQ1 will take place towards the end of year 1. MCQ 2 test will take place towards the end of year 2. There will be one summative practical observation at the end of year 2.

### Work Placement

Apprentices must be employed or about to take up employment.

### Further Study

On completion of this qualification learners may pursue on-going professional development or higher education.

### Your Future Career

On completion of this qualification learners may progress in employment as a dental nurse registered with the GDC .

Opportunities may include:

- Specialist dental nursing roles
- Dental hygiene or therapy
- Dental technology
- Dental decontamination
- Teaching or mentoring
- Practice management in a dental setting.



## OCN NI Level 3 Apprenticeship Health and Social Care

### Course Code

603/6716/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
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Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

ApprenticeshipsNI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16+ 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. These work based qualifications allow students to work and study using their work role to support completion of the qualification.

The course supports development of the knowledge and skills fundamental to the many diverse work roles within the Health and Social Care sector and is universally recognized by employers. Students will attend the College one day per week for a 3 hour class and will also receive the one to one support of an assessor to build their portfolio of evidence. Optional units are chosen from a wide range to support the student's role within the work place. Level 2 Apprenticeship in Health and Social Care AND must be employed for a minimum of 21 hours per week with a relevant employer in Northern Ireland (Health and Social Care).

### Core Modules

- Communication and Information Sharing - Theme 1
- Health and Wellbeing - Theme 2
- Principles and Values - Theme 3
- Continuing Professional Development in the context of Health and Social Care - Theme 4

### Optional Modules

Examples of optional units include: Infection Prevention and Control, Dementia Care, Providing Personal

Care, Supporting Leisure Activities and Moving and Handling.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 in Health and Social Care. If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy, Literacy & ICT (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

**ROI:** Level 2 in Health and Social Care. If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy, Literacy & ICT (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

The qualification is formed of mandatory and optional units. The mandatory units cover core competencies that have been categorised around the following four key themes: ? Communication and Information Sharing ? Health and Wellbeing ? Principles and Values ? Continuing Professional Development in Health and Social Care. The optional units allow learners to choose from a wide variety of areas to tailor the qualification to their needs and interests, and to reflect the context of their work.

### Work Placement

As part of paid employment

### Further Study

The successful completion of this course can lead to entry to the Level 4 Certificate in Principles of Leadership and Management in Adult Social Care

### Your Future Career

Successful students have been able to progress to team leader roles within a wide range of settings.



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate Health and Social Care (1 year fast track)

### Course Code

601/7197/2

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

The Fast Track Extended Certificate in Health & Social Care Programme at North West Regional College is a one-year, full-time qualification designed for students who already hold strong academic qualifications and wish to add the equivalent of one full A Level (maximum 56 UCAS points) to their profile.

This programme is specifically structured to support direct progression into competitive degree routes such as Nursing, Social Work and Psychology, while developing essential academic, professional and sector-specific skills. Along with strong academic qualifications applicants must display high levels of motivation as well as academic readiness for L3 study with clear progression intentions into Higher Education.

This Fast Track programme is designed for motivated, ambitious students who want to strengthen their pathway into Higher Education in health and social care disciplines.

### Core Modules

- Human Lifespan Development
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- Psychological Perspectives

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 2 A Levels (Grade A-E)

**ROI:** 2 Higher Leaving Cert (H4 or above)

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

Combination of exam based and coursework assessment

### Further Study

This qualification supports progression to:

- BSc (Hons) Adult, Mental Health or Children's Nursing
- BA (Hons) Social Work
- BSc (Hons) Psychology
- BA (Hons) Youth & Community Work
- BSc (Hons) Health & Social Care.

Students also gain strong preparation for:

- University personal statements
- Interview and selection processes Academic research expectations at degree level.

### Your Future Career

Students can progress into Nursing, Social Work, Teaching.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma

# Health and Social Care

plus City & Guilds Level 2 Award in Facial Skincare plus City & Guilds Level 3 Award in Facial Electrical Therapy

### Course Code

601/7198/4 (Ext Diploma)

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30 (Beauty Uniform)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This two-year, full-time Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care is equivalent to three A-Levels and includes an exclusive enrichment programme for those interested in a career in Aesthetic Nursing.

Alongside core health units (including Anatomy and Physiology), you will study beauty and skincare modules focused on non-invasive cosmetic procedures. The Level 2 Facial Skincare unit teaches industry techniques to offer facial skincare treatments and build advanced skills with the Level 3 Award in Facial Electrical Therapy. These qualifications create a pathway into aesthetics after university, where a nursing degree is now required by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) for treatments like Botox and fillers.

The course is delivered by experienced healthcare professionals - registered nurses, social workers, and qualified beauty therapists. You will also complete 100 hours of placement in a Health & Social Care setting, developing practical skills, confidence, and personal growth for a successful career.

### Core Modules

- Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- Work Experience in Health and Social Care
- Principles of Safe Practice in Health and Social Care
- Promoting Public Health
- Physiological Disorders and their Care

- Caring for Individuals with Dementia
- Supporting Individuals with Additional Needs
- Human Lifespan Development
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care
- Sociology
- Psychology
- Facial Peels
- Micro current
- Galvanism
- High Frequency
- Vacuum Suction

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English; or Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care, Merit or above + GCSE English (Grade C or above), or Equivalent.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English; or Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care, Merit or above + OLC English (Grade O5 or above), or equivalent.

### Assessment

70% Coursework 30% Exam  
2 exams in Year 1, 2 exams in Year 2.

### Work Placement

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. Previous students have gained work experience in day centres, care homes, residential care homes, special needs schools, mental health settings, and learning disability facilities.

### Further Study

Progression to the Foundation Degree Science in Health and Social Care (validated by Ulster University); and/or University degrees in Nursing, Social Work, Teaching, Psychology, Criminology, or Youth and Community work, Housing etc.

### Your Future Career

Past students who have not continued their studies at higher education, have gained employment in the health and social care sector, working as care assistants, domiciliary carers, or support workers.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma Health Studies (Health Science pathway)

### Course Code

601/7198/4

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady or Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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#### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This is an exciting refresh to our long-standing Health Science qualification with updates in all subject areas for currency of knowledge and practice. It is an alternative to A-Levels that will prepare you for employment and university in areas such as nursing and allied health professions. Progression can include include Mental Health, Learning Disability, Children's and Adult nursing; Speech and Language Therapy; Midwifery; Occupational Therapy; Diagnostic Radiography; Therapeutic Radiography; Podiatry; Paramedics; and Biomedical Science.

Former students have also entered primary and secondary teaching programmes. Modules of study will be health, caring and science-based units. Students must also complete mandatory placements in a range of health and care settings arranged by NWRC. This course involves assessment by coursework and exams.

### Core Modules

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

### Optional Modules

Modules of study will be health, caring and science based units

### Entry Requirements

UK: Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care – Merit or above and GCSE (Grade C or above) in either English or Maths OR A minimum of 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) is required for entry to the course including one of the following: English, Maths or Science.

ROI: Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care – Merit or above and OLC (Grade O5 or above) in either English or Maths OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) - including one of the following English, Maths or Science OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit

### Assessment

70% Coursework 30% Exam

This qualification has been designed to be the only qualification in a two-year, full-time study programme; it is an in-depth study of 13 health study units to support progression to health and social care related degrees. This new and exciting course is assessed through a combination of exam and coursework.

### Work Placement

100 hours of work placement is a compulsory element of this course and is highly valued by students. A mandatory requirement is that our students are deemed fit for placement. Each student must have Access NI Clearance and be deemed 'placement ready' by the College and

### Course Team.

Placements have been carried out in hospital settings, residential and nursing homes, community day care facilities, schools, veterinary clinics and other community settings as arranged by NWRC.

### Further Study

Nursing (all branches – Mental Health, Learning Disability, Children's and Adult), Speech and Language Therapy, Midwifery, Occupational Therapy and Podiatry. Students also go to Diagnostic Radiography, Therapeutic Radiotherapy, and Paramedics. It can also lead to STEM programmes in Biomedical Science, Forensic Science/Criminology, Pharmaceutical Science, Food Technology, Nutrition and Veterinary Nursing. Former students have also entered primary and secondary teaching programmes.

### Your Future Career

For many, this programme leads to degree level of study across a range of subject areas including: Nursing (all branches – Mental Health, Learning Disability, Children's and Adult), Speech and Language Therapy, Midwifery, Occupational Therapy and Podiatry. Students may also go to Diagnostic Radiography, Therapeutic Radiotherapy, and Paramedics. It also leads to STEM programmes in Biomedical Science, Forensic Science/Criminology, Food Technology, Nutrition and Veterinary Nursing. Former students have also entered primary and secondary teaching programmes. Some students, via valued work placement, have gained employment in the health sector.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma / National Extended Diploma

# Health and Social Care

### Course Code

601/7199/6 (Foundation Diploma)  
601/7198/4 (Ext Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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#### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



### 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. Learners can exit at the end of Year 1, obtaining a National Foundation Diploma in Health and Social Care or progress onto Year 2, to achieve the full National Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care. Learners can expect to develop strong interpersonal and communication skills and develop knowledge of roles and responsibilities, of professionals working in the sector.

Learners will study 13 units over two years that will help provide a strong foundation in care. Key themes such as safeguarding, health and safety and compassionate care values will be explored. Units are internally and externally assessed by coursework and exams (2 exams in year 1; 2 exams in year 2).

Learners should expect to attend classes delivered over 4 days per week. Learners applying to the course without a pass qualification in Maths/ Numeracy or ICT will be required to attend Essential Skills classes as part of the course.

### Core Modules

- Sociology
- Psychology
- Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- Work Experience in Health and

### Social Care

- Principles of Safe Practice in Health and Social Care
- Promoting Public Health
- Physiological Disorders and their Care
- Caring for Individuals with Dementia
- Supporting Individuals with Additional Needs
- Human Lifespan Development
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care

### Optional Modules

Additional needs; Physiological disorders; Dementia; Understanding mental well-being, Policy 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 + GCSE English (Grade C or above), or Equivalent.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English; or Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care, Merit or above + OLC English (Grade O5 or above), or equivalent.

### Assessment

70% Coursework 30% Exam  
2 exams in Year 1, 2 exams in Year 2

### Work Placement

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

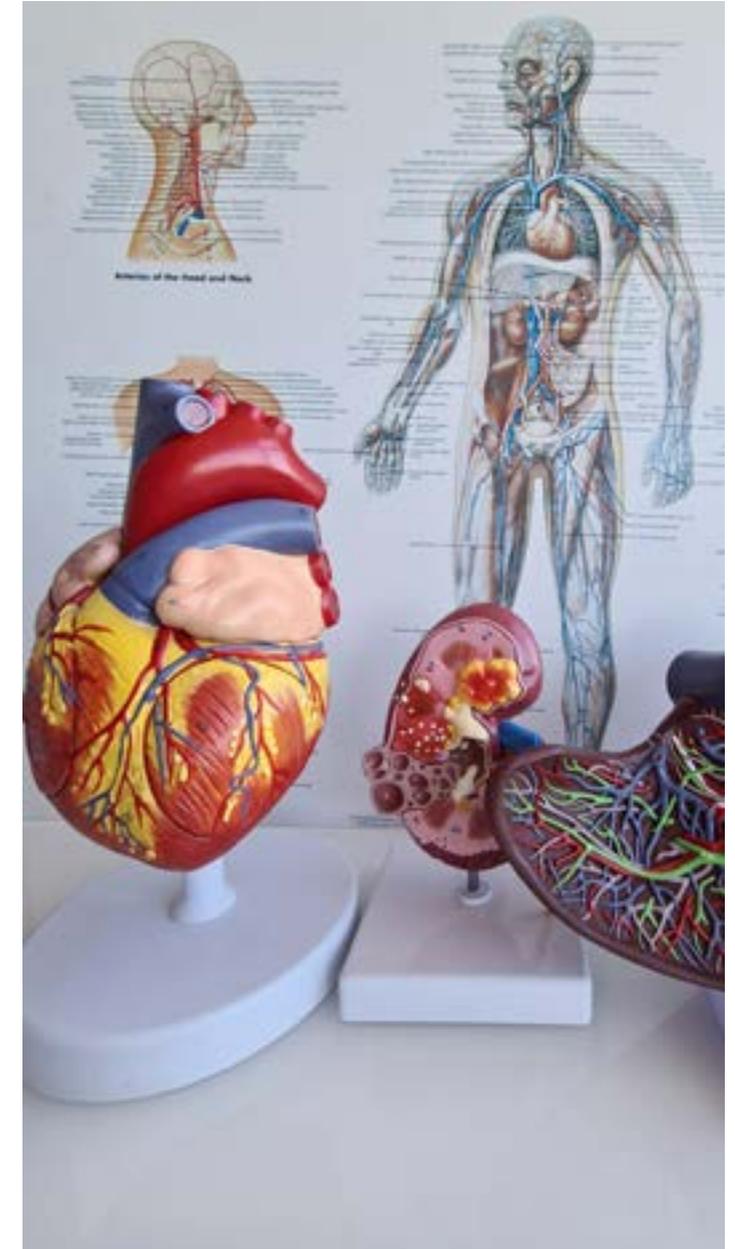
into practice. Previous students have gained work experience in day centres, care homes, residential care homes, special needs schools, mental health settings, and learning disability facilities.

### Further Study

Progression to the Foundation Degree Science in Health and Social Care (validated by Ulster University); and/or University degrees in Nursing, Social Work, Teaching, Psychology, Criminology, or Youth and Community work, Housing etc.

### Your Future Career

Past students who have not continued their studies at higher education, have gained employment in the health and social care sector, working as care assistants, domiciliary carers, or support workers.





## Open University Level 4 Certificate of Higher Education in Healthcare Practice

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30 approx

Materials: £10 approx

### Awarding Body

Open University

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This is a new, innovative and challenging programme for those wishing to progress on to degrees in Nursing, Midwifery, Occupational Therapy and Paramedic Science, or those wishing to work in the health and care sector. You will study practical modules that are very relevant to working in healthcare, and complete a substantial placement of 770hrs (24hrs/week) where you will gain relevant skills, knowledge and experience for working in a modern healthcare environment. Some of the skills you will cover include:

- Person-centred care
- Communication
- Infection Control
- Medicines Management
- Acute and Emergency Care
- Mobility
- Hygiene, skin integrity and wound care.

This Level 4 programme is assessed using a range of methods including coursework, presentations, portfolios, class tests, reports, simulated assessment and in-practice assessment. Following successful completion of the Level 4 programme, students can progress to degree-level study in the area of health and care and/or employment in the health and care sector.

### Core Modules

Work Placement in Health & Social Care

Introduction to Healthcare Practice

Introduction to Health & Social Care

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points or equivalent, plus English GCSE Grade C or equivalent and Math GCSE Grade C or equivalent.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points or above.

Students must also have English at Grade O5 and above

### Assessment

90% Coursework 10% Exam

The Level 4 is assessed using a range of assessment methods including assignments, presentations, portfolios, class tests, reports and in-practice assessment.

### Work Placement

All students will complete a mandatory 770hrs (average 24hrs/week) practice placement within the Western Health & Social Care Trust, in addition to attending College for one full day each week.

### Further Study

Students can progress directly from this course onto several degree pathways including Nursing (Adult, Mental Health, Learning Disability), Midwifery, Paramedic Science and Occupational Therapy. Please note that it is the responsibility of the applicant to check the entry requirements for each university and to ensure that GCSE entry requirements for university are met before enrolling on a course at the College.

### Your Future Career

Following successful completion of the Level 4 programme, students can progress to degree-level study in the area of health and care or employment in the healthcare sector. The opportunity also exists to continue your Nursing degree with the Open University if specific employment is secured within the WHSCT and the Trust agrees to release you to undertake this study. Completing this course is not a guarantee of employment with the Trust and securing employment with the Trust is not a guarantee that you will be released for further study.



## Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate Health and Social Care Practice

### Course Code

610/5301/6

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

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### Progression



### Course Overview

BTEC Higher Nationals have introduced an exciting new specification for the Health and Social Care sector and carries 120 credits. This refreshed curriculum delves deeper into the working world of health and social care, prioritising the development of learners' knowledge and practical skills to prepare them for further study or employment in the sector. The new specification includes insightful modules such as Caring for Individuals with Dementia and Addressing Health Inequalities. It is delivered by staff with extensive industry experience, bringing real-world insights and expertise directly into the classroom. Students must attend an information session and complete ACCESS NI checks as part of essential entry criteria.

Work will be assessed through coursework and placement experience. A mandatory requirement is that students are deemed fit for placement. Students will require appropriate dress/uniform for work in the health and social care setting and be deemed 'placement ready' by the College.

### Core Modules

- 401: Developing Professional Practice (30 credits)
- 402: Teamwork and Communication (15 credits)
- 403: Evidence Based Practice (15 credits)
- 404: Compassionate Care & Value Based Practice (15 credits)
- 409: Anatomy and Physiology (15 credits)
- 410: Caring for People with Dementia (15 credits)
- 416: Addressing Inequalities in Public Health (15 credits)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS points or equivalent plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above to include English GCSE and Maths

GCSE or equivalent OR Extended Diploma – MPP profile plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or equivalent; OR Access - 45%.

**ROI:** 64 UCAS points or above plus 5 OLCs to include English & Maths at Grade O5 and above; OR Extended Diploma – MPP profile plus 5 OLCs at Grade O5 or above to include English and Maths, or equivalent; OR Access - 45%. Information Session required. Access NI required. Note: Whilst ILC O5/D1 is acceptable for English Leaving Cert (Ordinary Level) for entry to HNC, students must be made aware that they should check the criteria for progression to their universities of choice as university entry requirements vary.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

The HNC is assessed using a range of assessment methods including assignments, presentations, portfolios, class tests and reports.

### Work Placement

There is a mandatory work placement in this qualification of 225 hours.

### Further Study

This course seeks to facilitate entry to university to study degrees. Popular progression routes include nursing, social work, occupational therapy, psychology, criminology, speech and language therapy and paramedic science.

### Your Future Career

Following successful completion of the HNC programme, students can progress to degree-level study in the area of health and care and/or employment in the healthcare sector.



## Open University Level 5 Foundation Degree in Housing Practice\*

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open University

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

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### Progression



\*Subject to validation

### Course Overview

This new and innovative Foundation Degree in Housing Practice has been co-designed with Housing employers from across Northern Ireland to ensure that the programme delivered is economically relevant, demand led and responsive to local industry needs. Graduates of the Foundation Degree will be equipped with the appropriate knowledge and professional skills required in Housing.

The programme will help enable Housing graduates to progress into professional roles (including leadership positions) to make a meaningful contribution to the local and regional economy. Students will complete 240 hours placement to gain industry experience. Students must successfully complete Year 1 to enter into Year 2 of the programme to complete the WBL component.

### Core Modules

- CIH Level 4 Certificate in Housing
- The Effective Learner and Reflective Practitioner
- Work-Based Learning
- Effective Communication
- Sustainable Cities and Society
- Partnership Working for Housing Developments & Rental Markets
- Health and Housing
- Housing Management

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points or above plus GCSE Mathematics and English Language at Grade C or above or equivalent. Entry can also be made from National Certificate/Diploma, HE Access, NVQs or by the College's

policy relating to APL/APEL.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points or above plus OLC (Grade O4 or above) in Maths and English. Entry can also be made from National Certificate/Diploma, HE Access, NVQs or by the College's policy relating to APL/APEL.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

The Level 5 is assessed using a range of assessment methods including assignments, presentations, portfolios, class tests and reports.

### Work Placement

Students will be required to undertake a substantial work placement in Year 2 of the programme (minimum 240 hours)

### Further Study

It is anticipated that a Degree in Housing Practice will be developed later and delivered in Northern Ireland (a 1-year top-up potential via Foundation Degree), that will provide further opportunities for those working in the Housing sector. However, please note that this is subject to approval.

### Your Future Career

The programme will help enable Housing graduates to progress into professional roles (including leadership positions) within the Housing sector.



## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Science in Health and Social Care

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Books: £50-£100

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

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### Progression



### 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.

You will study a variety of modules relevant to the health and social care setting. Furthermore, students will complete 240 hours of Work Based Learning (work placement) which will also be assessed.

### Core Modules

- Effective Communication in Health & Social Care
- The Effective Learner
- Social Theories and Concepts
- Safeguarding and Managing Risk
- Psychology
- Anatomy and Physiology for Health & Social Care
- Professional Conduct and Ethical Practice
- Introduction to Public Health
- Work Based Learning
- Evidence Based Practice
- Innovative Practices to Support Health & Wellbeing

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** (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); (d) hold a BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or a related

Level 3 subject area, or 1 GCE A Level pass or equivalent (with a minimum of 48 UCAS points).

**ROI:** (a) Satisfy the University's general entry requirements; AND (b) Have attained Grade O4 or above at OLC in 5 subjects (to include OLC English) or an equivalent standard in an approved qualification; AND (c) Provide evidence of competence in numeracy (OLC Grade O4 or above or equivalent) – this requirement may be met within (b); (d) hold a BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or a related Level 3 subject area, or 1 Higher Level pass or equivalent (with a minimum of 48 UCAS points to include at least 2 grades at H4 or higher).

### Assessment

90% Coursework 10% Exam

Assessment is varied and includes individual presentations; group presentations; essays; research reports and exams.

### Work Placement

In addition, all students must complete 240 hours of Work-Based Learning (placement) which will also be assessed.

### Further Study

Students can progress onto degree pathways. Progression pathways on to Year 2 or Year 3 of some Degrees exist, for example BSc Health and Wellbeing and BSc Applied Health Studies. Students also consider professional degrees in Health and Social Care, such as Nursing or Social Work.

### Your Future Career

As the Foundation Degree incorporates Work Based Learning (240 hours), students will also progress onto a range of Health and Social Care jobs. The course combines both academic studies and Work-Based Learning.

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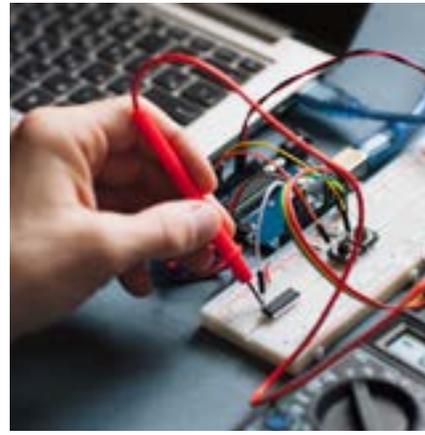


## Career Paths

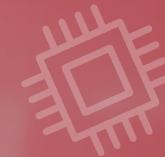
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## OCN NI Level 2 Traineeship Information Technology

### Course Code

610/3860/X

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
(OCN NI)

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### Progression



### Course Overview

The Level 2 Traineeship will enable you to achieve a qualification which is comparable to 4 GCSEs.

The practical nature of the course will introduce you to the computer industry and gives you an insight into a range of available careers. It gives you an insight into the IT industry with a view to further study or employment.

The vocational elements of the course are assessed with coursework covering a broad range of IT skills, including Graphic Design, Web Site Development, 2D Games Dev., IT Application Creation. The Traineeship will contain, within 1 year, OCN-NI Transversal Skills at Level 2, Essential Skills Numeracy and Literacy.

### Core Modules

- Unit 1: IT Essentials
- T (Transversal) Skills
- Unit 2: IT Systems
- Unit 3: IT Applications
- Unit 4: Practical IT Project
- Unit 9: 2D Games Development
- Unit 10: Website Development
- Unit 12: Graphic Design
- Essential Skills - Literacy
- Essential Skills - Numeracy

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade D as a minimum

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

All students will work towards their Vocational Qualification (Coursework), T Skills (Coursework) and Essential Skills in Literacy / Numeracy. Opportunity will also be given to work towards GCSE Maths / English.

### Work Placement

60 hours of placement or simulated placement to be carried out over the year either as blocks or a small number of hours per week.

### Further Study

The qualification will allow you to choose your progression route from a wide range of Level 3 Diploma courses at NWRC depending on the results obtained from the Vocational Qualification, Essential Skills Qualifications and T Skills qualifications.

### Your Future Career

The qualification can be the first steps towards a career in as a Web Designer, A Software Developer, a Systems Administrator, a Graphic Designer or a career within Information Technology.



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Information Technology

### Course Code

603/0455/8 (Dip)  
603/0454/6 (Ext Dip)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course offers a broad range of subjects designed to prepare you for employment or further/higher in computing. It is practical, engaging, and enjoyable, allowing you to develop your interest in computing while gaining a qualification equivalent to either 3 A Levels (Extended Diploma) or 2 A Levels (Diploma).

The programme is tailored to meet employer needs and provides opportunities to progress to Foundation Degree courses at NWRC or university, subject to entry requirements. You will learn through a combination of projects, coursework, and timed assignments.

Modules include:

IT Systems, Creating Systems, Using Social Media in Business, Programming, Data Modelling, Website Development, Mobile Apps Development, Computer Games Development, IT Project Management, Cyber Security and Incident Management, IT Service Delivery, Digital Animation and Effects, Software Testing.

Please note: If the required grades or criteria for the Extended Diploma are not achieved, you may be enrolled on the Diploma pathway instead.

### Core Modules

- Data Modelling
- Web Site Development
- Mobile App Development
- Programming
- Software Testing
- Information Technology Systems
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Using Social Media in Business
- IT Project Management
- Cyber Security and Incident Management
- IT Service Delivery
- Digital Animation & Effects
- Computer Games Development

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in

Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

**ROI:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

40% Coursework 60% Exam

4 Units are externally assessed by Pearson, IT Systems & Creating Systems, Cyber Security and IT Service Delivery. All remaining units are coursework assessed, internally. If the required grades or criteria for the Extended Diploma are not achieved, you may be enrolled on the Diploma pathway instead.

### Further Study

This course can enable students to progress to the OU Foundation Degree in Cybersecurity or UU Foundation Degree in Computing delivered at NWRC, subject to entry requirements being met. Past successful students have progressed to degree programmes at Ulster University, Queens - Belfast and other computing related degree programmes.

### Your Future Career

With this qualification, potential careers paths include:

- Computer Games Designer
- Computer Hardware Engineer
- Database Administrator
- Interactive Media Designer
- IT Product Developer
- IT Trainer
- Network Manager
- Software Developer/ Programmer
- Systems Analyst
- Technical Support Person
- Web Designer/ Developer



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma Information Technology (Cyber Security)

**Course Code**  
603/0455/8 (Dip)

**Campus**  
Strabane

**Study Mode**  
Full-Time

**Length of Study**  
2 Years

**Awarding Body**  
Pearson BTEC

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**Non-Term Time**  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course offers a broad range of subjects designed to prepare you for employment or further/higher study in areas such as general computing and cybersecurity. It is practical, engaging, and enjoyable, allowing you to develop your interest in computing while gaining a qualification equivalent to two A Levels (Diploma).

The programme is tailored to meet employer needs and provides opportunities to progress to Foundation Degree courses at NWRC or university. You will learn through a combination of projects, coursework, and timed assignments.

### Mandatory Units (6):

- IT Systems
- Creating Systems
- Using Social Media in Business
- Programming
- IT Project Management
- Cyber Security and Incident Management

### Optional Units may include:

- Website Development
- Data Modelling
- IT Technical Support and Management
- Internet of Things

Please note: Optional units are selected by the course team from the list above and are not chosen by individual students.

### Core Modules

- Information Technology Systems
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Using Social Media in Business
- Programming
- IT Project Management
- Cyber Security and Incident Management

### Optional Modules

- Data Modelling
- Website Development
- IT Technical Support and Management
- The Internet of Things

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

**ROI:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

40% Coursework 60% Exam

3 Units are externally assessed by Pearson, IT Systems & Creating Systems, and Cyber Security. All remaining units are coursework assessed, internally.

### Further Study

This course can enable students to progress to the OU Foundation Degree in Cybersecurity or the UU Foundation Degree in Computing, both delivered at NWRC (subject to meeting entry requirements). After completing a Foundation Degree, NWRC also offers a Top-Up Degree in Cybersecurity and Emerging Technologies.

Many past students have successfully progressed to degree programmes at Ulster University, Queen's University Belfast, and other universities offering computing-related degrees.

### Your Future Career

- Computer Games Designer
- Computer Hardware Engineer
- IT Trainer
- Software Developer / Programmer
- Systems Analyst
- Technical Support Person
- Web Designer / Developer
- Cybersecurity Analyst
- Penetration Tester (Ethical Hacker)
- Information Security Specialist



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma Information Technology (Software Development)

**Course Code**  
603/0455/8 (Dip)

**Campus**  
Limavady

**Study Mode**  
Full-Time

**Length of Study**  
2 Years

**Awarding Body**  
Pearson BTEC

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**Non-Term Time**  
Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course offers a broad range of subjects designed to prepare you for employment or further/higher study in areas such as general computing and software development. It is practical, engaging, and enjoyable, allowing you to develop your interest in computing while gaining a qualification equivalent to two A Levels (Diploma).

The programme is tailored to meet employer needs and provides opportunities to progress to Foundation Degree courses at NWRC or university. You will learn through a combination of projects, coursework, and timed assignments.

### Mandatory Units (6):

- IT Systems
- Creating Systems
- Using Social Media in Business
- Programming
- IT Project Management
- Cyber Security and Incident Management

### Optional Units may include:

- Website Development
- Data Modelling
- Mobile Apps Development
- Software Testing

Please note: Optional units are selected by the course team from the list above and are not chosen by individual students.

### Core Modules

- Cyber Security and Incident Management
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Using Social Media in Business
- Programming
- IT Project Management
- Information Technology Systems

### Optional Modules

- Data Modelling
- Website Development
- Mobile Apps Development
- Software Testing

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

**ROI:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

40% Coursework 60% Exam  
3 Units are externally assessed by Pearson, IT Systems & Creating Systems, and Cyber Security. All remaining units are coursework assessed, internally

### Further Study

This course can enable students to progress to the OU Foundation Degree in Cybersecurity or the UU Foundation Degree in Computing, both delivered at NWRC (subject to meeting entry requirements). After completing a Foundation Degree, NWRC also offers a Top-Up Degree in Cybersecurity and Emerging Technologies.

Many past students have successfully progressed to degree programmes at Ulster University, Queen's University Belfast, and other universities offering computing-related degrees.

### Your Future Career

- Computer Games Designer
- Computer Hardware Engineer
- IT Trainer
- Software Developer / Programmer
- Application Developer
- Mobile App Developer
- Web Designer / Developer
- Front-End Developer
- Back-End Developer
- Full-Stack Developer
- Systems Analyst
- Technical Support Person
- Software Tester / QA Analyst





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Foundation Diploma Information Technology (Fast Track)

### Course Code

603/0455/8 (Dip)

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course offers a broad range of subjects designed to prepare you for employment or further/higher study in areas such as general computing. It is practical, engaging, and enjoyable, allowing you to develop your interest in computing while gaining a qualification equivalent to 1.5 A Levels (Foundation Diploma).

The programme is designed to offer students the opportunity to top up UCAS points, enabling further progression to Foundation Degree courses at NWRC or university. You will learn through a combination of projects, coursework, and timed assignments.

### Mandatory Units (6):

- IT Systems
- Creating Systems
- Using Social Media in Business
- Programming

### Optional Units may include:

- Website Development
- Data Modelling
- Mobile Apps Development

*Please note: Optional units are selected by the course team from the list above and are not chosen by individual students.*

### Core Modules

- Information Technology Systems
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Using Social Media in Business
- Programming

### Optional Modules

- Data Modelling
- Website Development
- Mobile App Development

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

**ROI:** OCN NI Level 2 Diploma in Information Technology and L2 English and L2 Maths; OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

40% Coursework 60% Exam

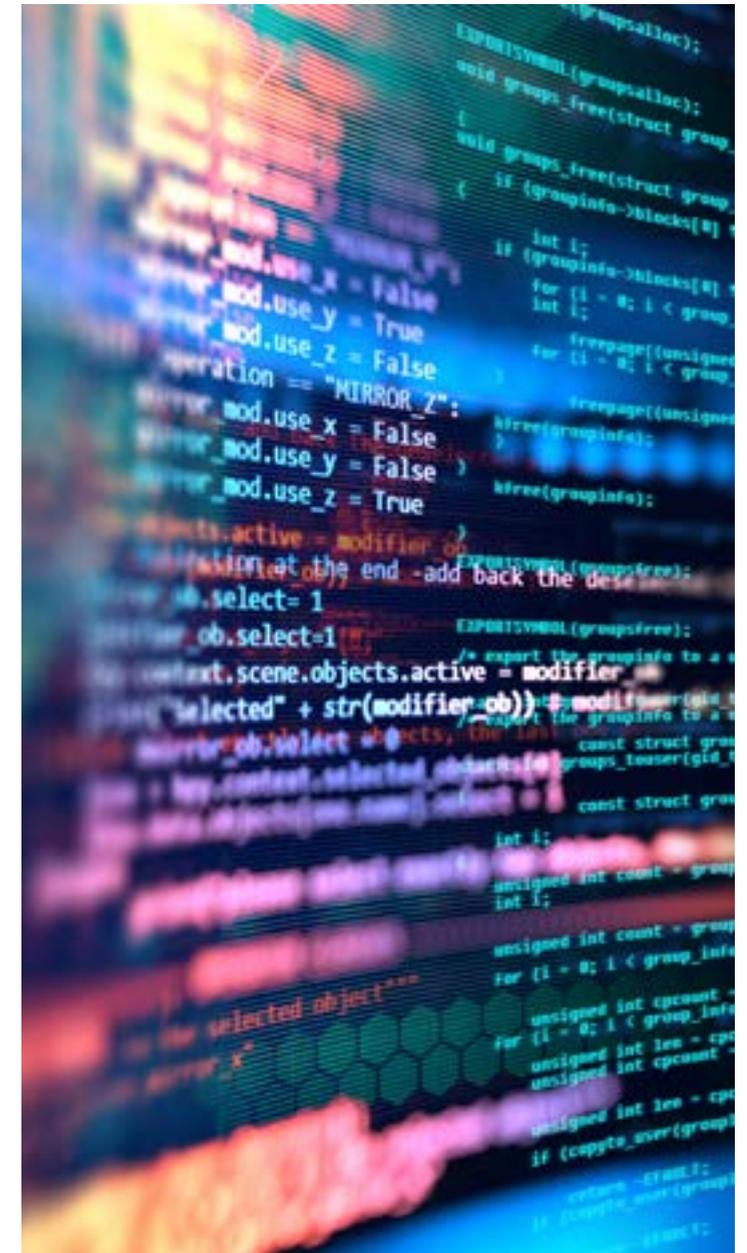
3 Units are externally assessed by Pearson, IT Systems & Creating Systems, Cyber Security and IT Service Delivery. All remaining units are coursework assessed, internally.

### Further Study

This course can enable students to progress to the OU Foundation Degree in Cybersecurity or UU Foundation Degree in Computing delivered at NWRC, subject to entry requirements being met. Past successful students have progressed to degree programmes at Ulster University, Queens - Belfast and other computing related degree programmes.

### Your Future Career

- Computer Games Designer
- Computer Hardware Engineer
- Database Administrator
- Interactive Media Designer
- IT Product Developer
- IT Trainer
- Network Manager
- Software Developer/ Programmer
- Systems Analyst
- Technical Support Person
- Web Designer/ Developer





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma Esports

### Course Code

603/5424/0

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

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### Progression



### Course Overview

Esports is defined as organised competitive gaming, which is human versus human, either as individuals or in teams.

The esports industry is a fast-growing global industry. Newzoo published its Global Esports Market Report. This stated that, in 2022, the global esports market was valued at U.S. \$1.38 billion. This is projected to reach U.S. \$1.86 billion in 2025. This qualification has been developed to meet this upcoming demand for skills in esports. The qualification includes a breadth of transferable skills that enable learners to experience different areas of esports to aid their progression to employment, either directly or via further study.

Esports offers a unique opportunity to study a sector that crosses over multiple subject areas such as sport, multimedia, marketing, enterprise, IT and the creatives. It provides an opportunity for alignment of social, physical, mental and financial skills into one qualification to deepen and expand learning. These are skills that are highly valued in the changing and fluid workplace.

### Core Modules

- Introduction to Esports
- Esports Skills, Strategies and Analysis
- Enterprise and Entrepreneurship in the Esports industry
- Health, Wellbeing and Fitness for Esports Players
- Esports Events
- Live-streamed Broadcasting
- Producing an Esports Brand
- Video Production
- Games Design
- Business Applications of Esports in Social Media

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

### Assessment

15% Coursework 85% Exam  
The majority of the course is Internally assessed coursework, proving competence across all of the practical elements of eSports and Information Technology. The Extended Cert in IT involves 2 Exam based units and 2 Coursework assessed units.

### Work Placement

The course will enter at least one team into the British Esports Championships

A national esports competition for schools and colleges. Online fixtures take place on a Wednesday afternoon.

Other opportunities for students include:

- Entry of teams into other local / national / international competitions/tournaments
- Organisation and hosting of own tournaments, competitions and events

### Further Study

As this course covers IT and eSports, progression opportunities onto local Foundation Degree and Degree programmes in both disciplines are possible, including NWRC, Ulster University and Queens.

Universities and colleges offering eSports degrees.

Nottingham Trent  
Staffordshire University  
The University of Roehampton  
The University of Chichester

<https://britishesports.org/news/education-and-esports-which-colleges-and-universities-are-offering-courses/>

### Your Future Career

Jobs that are available in these areas include:

- Esports Player
- Team Coach
- Events Organiser
- Social Media Influencer
- Video Production Editor
- Data Analyst
- Technologist





## Open University Level 5 Foundation Degree Cyber Security

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

2 years full time  
3 years part time

### Awarding Body

Open University

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

The course aims to create and prepare future professionals in the area of cyber security, whilst enhancing the learner's technology knowledge and skills. The course team who will be involved in delivering the programme is committed to cultivating learners to develop their personal and professional technological skills and promote a lifelong learning ethos in the area of Cyber Security.

The course will provide a broad-based learning environment that prepares graduates, who have successfully achieved the Foundation Degree, to either follow a productive career as professionals in the cyber security industry or to proceed to a higher academic qualification.

### Areas to be studied will include:

- Equip students with a knowledge and understanding of the theory and principles underlying modern cyber security.
- Compare, analyse and evaluate a range of techniques, theories and methods applied to the development of applications and solutions.

### Core Modules

#### Year One:

- Level 4 Module: Networking Fundamentals (20 Credit Points)
- Level 4 Module: Programming Essentials (20 Credit Points)
- Level 4 Module: Network Data Security (20 Credit Points)
- Level 4 Module: Cyber Security Fundamentals (20 Credit Points)
- Level 4 Module: Computing Mathematics (20 Credit Points)

- Level 4 Module: Ethical Hacking (20 Credit Points)

#### Year Two:

- Level 5 Module: Mobile Devices & Cloud Security (20 Credit Points)
- Level 5 Module: Responsive Incident Management (20 Credit Points)
- Level 5 Module: Server Management and Security (20 Credit Points)
- Level 5 Module: Cyber Security Implementation (20 Credit Points)
- Level 5 Module: Work Based Learning or Project Management (Project Management for International Students Only) (40 Credit Points)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points (APEL applicable) plus GCSE Grade C or above English Language and Mathematics (or equivalent) OR APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply) for details).

**ROI:** 48 UCAS point – (APEL applicable) plus OLC (Grade O4 or above) to include Maths and English; OR APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply) for details).

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

A variety of assessments including class test and coursework covering a wide range of assessment methods. E.g. Practical Labs, written reports, presentations.

### Work Placement

Work Placement, 12 weeks, in year 2 of the FT and year 3 of the PT programme.

**Note:** Part-time course hours may increase in the third year to accommodate mandatory work placement requirements.

### Further Study

Depending on grades achieved there is opportunity to progress onto a OU top-up Degree.

### Your Future Career

The Foundation Degree in Cybersecurity is aimed at individuals who intend to follow either a professional or academic career pathway in the area of Cyber Security, e.g.

**Cybersecurity Analyst:** Monitor and protect an organisation's IT infrastructure from cyber threats.

**Penetration Tester (Ethical Hacker):** Test systems for vulnerabilities by simulating cyberattacks.

**Security Consultant:** Advise organisations on best practices for securing their systems and data.

**Incident Responder:** Handle and mitigate security breaches and cyber incidents.

**Security Engineer:** Design and implement secure network solutions to protect against cyber threats.





## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Computing

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

2 years full time  
3 years part time

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is aimed at those who have an interest in Computing and would like to develop key industry specific skills and knowledge with a desire to pursue a career within the sector. It will give students the ability to study a range of modules with opportunities to explore different specialisms and a chance to consider a wide range of career opportunities within IT and Computing. The FdSc in Computing has been developed in close partnership with the UU and a consortium of other colleges in N. Ireland.

This course will provide students with a thorough understanding of the key concepts required to work within the thriving IT sector or undertake further study at honours degree level in the area of ICT or Computing (, Software Development). Over the duration of the course students will study a range of modules including: Programming Fundamentals, Computer Technologies Database Design, Cyber Security, Web Development, Software Testing, Data Analytics, Event Driven Programming and Work Based Learning.

### Core Modules

- Year 2 Event Driven Programming (20 Credits)
- Year 2 Data Analytics (20 credits)
- Year 1 Mathematics for Computing (20 credits)
- Year 1 Programming Fundamentals (20 credits)
- Year 1 Database Design (20 credits)
- Year 1 Object-oriented Programming (20 credits)
- Year 1 Computer Technologies (20 credits)
- Year 2 Work Based Learning (40 credits)

- Year 2 Cyber Security (20 credits)
- Year 2 Software Testing (20 credits)
- Year 1 Web Development (20 credits)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS points plus GCSE Maths Grade C minimum AND GCSE English Grade C or equivalent; OR APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply) for details).

**ROI:** 64 UCAS points plus OLC (Grade O4 or above) to include Maths and English or equivalent; OR APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply) for details).

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
A variety of assessments including class test and coursework covering a wide range of assessment methods. E.g. Practical Labs, written reports, presentations.

### Work Placement

Work placement (12 Weeks) will take place in the 2nd year of full-time study. Students will be supported to find a suitable work placement. To enhance career opportunities upon completing the course, students will undertake a 400-hour Work-Based Learning module during their final year. The course will allow students to enhance industry networks and prospects in a range of job roles within the sector upon completion of the course. There will be many opportunities to link with; local employers through work-based learning including arranged guest speakers, site visits and career networking events.

### Further Study

Successful completion of the course, depending on overall grade, enables progression to the second year of the BSc (Hons) Computer Science at Ulster University, or similar degrees at other universities, or directly into Computing / IT related employment.

### Your Future Career

A pathway to a diverse range of Computing and IT related career opportunities, including;

### Programming

- Junior Developer
- Web Developer
- Mobile App Developer

### Computer Technologies Database Design

- Database Administrator
- SQL Developer
- Data Analyst

### Cyber Security

- Cybersecurity Analyst
- Penetration Tester
- Security Consultant

### Web Development

- Front-End Developer
- Back-End Developer
- Full-Stack Developer

### Software Testing

- QA Analyst
- Test Automation Engineer
- Manual Tester

### Data Analytics

- Data Analyst
- Business Intelligence Analyst
- Data Scientist



# Early Years (Childcare)



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EARLY YEARS  
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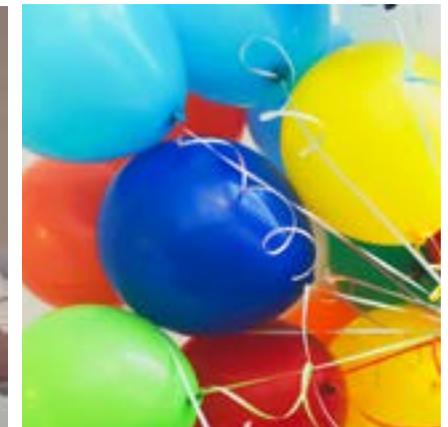


## Career Paths

- › Playworker
  - › Classroom Assistant
  - › Youth Worker
  - › Primary School Teacher
  - › Social Worker
  - › Special Needs Teacher
  - › Paediatric Nurse
  - › Childminder
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# EARLY YEARS (CHILDCARE)



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## NCFE Level 1 Diploma Caring for Children

### Course Code

501/1015/9

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

NCFE CACHE

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification is an excellent introduction to a career in Early Years. While learning about topics such as Play, Safeguarding Children and Craft Activities, you will also have the opportunity to develop skills needed in the workplace such as:

- Effective communication and numeracy skills
- Creativity and imagination- Planning and organisational skills
- Teamwork and leadership skills
- The ability to work with children in a sensitive and positive way.

There are no exams in this course. The course will be assessed through the creation of a portfolio of evidence consisting of written coursework, posters, leaflets and practical tasks such as the creation of Story Bags and sensory resources. Weekly practical sessions will introduce you to arts and crafts, our early years specialist room and the opportunity to care for our 'Real Care Babies.' Educational outings also form part of our curriculum.

### Core Modules

- Childrens play and leisure activities in the community
- Confidence building for the young child through play
- Listening and talking with a young child
- Respecting and valuing children
- Sharing learning experiences with children
- Growth and development of young children
- Preparing for your next steps
- Practical health and safety when with young children
- Finding out about forest schools

- Craft activities for young children
- Understanding learning and development through play
- Safeguarding the welfare of children and young people
- Supporting babies to play

### Optional Modules

Units which reflect current practice.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No formal entry requirements. Attendance at an information session is required. Young people may have left school without many qualifications for a variety of reasons. We want to help you to rewrite your future by giving you the opportunity to study in an adult environment that does not feel like school. This is your opportunity to shine! All we ask of you is that you bring determination, a love of the subject, a real desire to learn about babies and children and a commitment to your studies with a good work ethic. This is also a super opportunity to prepare for your future as a parent.

**ROI:** No formal entry requirements. Attendance at an information session is required. Young people may have left school without many qualifications for a variety of reasons. We want to help you to rewrite your future by giving you the opportunity to study in an adult environment that does not feel like school. This is your opportunity to shine! All we ask of you is that you bring determination, a love of the subject, a real desire to learn about babies and children and a commitment to your studies with a good work ethic. This is also a super opportunity to prepare for your future as a parent.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
Portfolio based qualification

### Further Study

You may be able to move on to the Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development Traineeship if you have obtained all the necessary qualifications to progress.

### Your Future Career

Early Years settings all require appropriately qualified practitioners and therefore salary scales depend on your level of qualification. You will be given information, advice and guidance in relation to your chosen future career pathway throughout the course. It is important that you understand that you will have to work hard to achieve your English, and Maths qualifications as well as Early Years to progress your career for example, as a nursery assistant, pre-school assistant, playgroup assistant, nanny or childcare worker.





## NCFE Level 2 Traineeship Diploma Children's Care, Learning & Development

### Course Code

603/4723/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30-£40

### Awarding Body

NCFE CACHE

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Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed to build knowledge, understanding, practical skills and professional values in children's care, learning and development. It provides the essential qualification needed to work in a supervised role within the early years / childcare sector, such as a pre-school, nursery, day-care, or as a playgroup or classroom assistant. Students will also participate in transversal skills development and project based learning activities.

You will learn in an Early Years specialist resource room equipped with a wide range of play materials, allowing you to plan practical activities, explore sensory resources, and gain experience caring for 'Real Care Babies'. You will also take part in outdoor trips and competitions. In previous years, students have worked alongside international learners and taken part in forest school activities.

Throughout the course, you will develop key workplace skills, including:

- Excellent communication skills
- The ability to work with children in a sensitive and positive manner
- Creativity and imagination when designing displays
- Strong planning and organisational skills.

Assessment will take place through practical tasks, written assignments, and work placement observations.

### Core Modules

- Context, principles and values that underpins practice
- Communication and partnership working
- Safeguarding children
- Keeping children safe, healthy and well
- Support childrens personal care, and nutrition
- Support childrens development
- Support childrens play, learning and development
- Contribute to care of children with disabilities and/or special needs
- Employability /Personal Development
- Literacy and Numeracy for those who do not have an equivalent of a GCSE C grade in English and Maths
- Transversal Skills

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade D as a minimum Students who do not hold Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during this course.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1- O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum. Students who do not hold Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during this course.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Portfolio and competence based assessment in the workplace. Attendance at work placement is

a mandatory requirement in order to achieve the L2 qualification in Childrens Care, Learning and Development and also the Traineeship. You will be assessed through written assignments, project based practical projects and tasks as well as workplace assessment. No exams to sit.

### Work Placement

Work placement is a mandatory 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.

### Further Study

Upon completion you may progress onto the Level 3 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development.

### Your Future Career

Some Trainees move into employment in the Early Years sector, however many of our Level 2 Trainees choose to progress to a higher level course with us before progressing to become Childcare Managers, Teachers and Social Workers.

Students hoping to advance their careers at university must achieve the university admissions criteria.





## NCFE Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Children's Care, Learning & Development

### Course Code

501/1024/X

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30-£40

### Awarding Body

NCFE CACHE

### Course Contact

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Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification confers occupational competence for childcare, learning and development in Northern Ireland.

Students will have the option of completing the course in 1 year or 2 years. The course will prepare you for employment in the field of Early Years and Childcare, as a qualified Early Years/ Foundation Stage classroom assistant and Day Care, Pre-school, Nursery, Crèche or Special Needs Assistant or childminder. You will have access to our Early Years Specialist Resource Room which is fully equipped with indoor and outdoor play and practical resources. You will benefit from assessed work experience in Early Years settings, Day Care Nurseries, Crèche, Primary, Nursery and Additional Needs and Irish Medium classrooms.

The skills that you will develop are:

- excellent communication skills
- building knowledge and skills while working with children and staff in a sensitive and positive way
- creativity and imagination for play opportunities
- planning and organisational skills
- IT skills.

The diploma course is assessed entirely through coursework and placement assessment reports.

### Core Modules

- Context and principles for the early years sector
- Communication and partnership working
- Safeguarding children
- Keeping children safe, healthy and

well

- Support childrens personal care and nutrition
- Supporting childrens development
- Supporting childrens play opportunities and experiences of play
- Contribute to the support of children with disabilities and /or special needs
- Support the learning and development of children with health needs
- Understand the needs of children and young people who are vulnerable and experiencing poverty and disadvantage
- Enable parents to develop ways of handling relationships and behaviour that contribute to everyday life with children

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths or equivalent Level 2 in Communication and Numeracy OR Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development and Level 2 in both Communication and Numeracy , or Level 2 Diploma / Qualification from another curriculum area as well as the required English and Maths qualifications or equivalent Level 2 in Communication and Numeracy.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Maths or equivalent Level 2 in Communication and Numeracy OR Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development and Level 2 in both Communication and Numeracy , or Level 2 Diploma / Qualification

from another curriculum area as well as the required English and Maths qualifications or equivalent Level 2 in Communication and Numeracy.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

This is a competence based course requiring both completed portfolio and work placement assessment. Grading system is competent/ not yet competent.

### Work Placement

You will be required to undertake work placement in a variety of childcare settings for 2-3 days per week over the 2 years of the course, while working with children 0-5 years 11 months. 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.

### Further Study

In order to progress to L3 Extended Diploma CCLD students MUST have successfully achieved L3 Diploma CCLD as well as GCSE Grade C or equivalent in English eg Essential Skills L2 or OLC Grade O6. Please note in some universities OLC Grade O5 may not be accepted as equivalent to GCSE Grade C. Successful completion of the Extended Diploma for Childrens Care, Learning and Development qualification also provides opportunities to progress into a diverse range of job roles in employment and you may be able to

extend your knowledge in other areas of Early Years by:

- \*Progressing to university or
- \*HN in Early Childhood Education and Care
- \*Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies at North West Regional College.

### Your Future Career

Learners could progress to the following job roles:

- Early Years/Foundation Stage classroom assistant
- Childminder
- Nursery practitioner
- Pre-school worker
- Out-of-school childcare worker.

With additional study you may progress into higher education or university to further your qualifications in Teaching, Infant Mental Health specialist, Social Work or Psychology.



## QUB Level 5 Foundation Degree Early Childhood Studies\*

(Stranmillis University College)

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Queen's University (QUB)

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



\*Subject to validation

### Course Overview

This programme 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, competent and 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.

You will study a range of modules linked to curriculum, psychology and child development. Applications are made through UCAS. The full-time programme will run over 2 years; Assessment methods include assignments, case studies, practical exercises, presentations, examinations and placement assessments. Enrolment on this course is subject to a satisfactory Access NI check.

### Core Modules

- Professional Practice
- Child Development
- Shared Perspectives
- Acquisition of Language
- Managing Behaviour
- Anti-Discriminatory Practice

### Entry Requirements

UK: Applicants must meet the general requirement of Queen's University Belfast including English and Maths GCSE at grade C or above (level 2 in Communication Skills is acceptable in lieu of GCSE grade C in English Language, however level 2 Application of Numbers cannot be substituted for GCSE Mathematics) and one of the following: • A LEVEL CC • BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA MMM • CACHE EXTENDED DIPLOMA Overall grade C – Children's Care, Learning and Development. Applicants must

apply through UCAS directly. UCAS course code: LX53 FdA/ECS Campus code: 7- North West Regional College

ROI: H5 H5 H5 H5 H5 to include English and Mathematics. Applicants must apply through UCAS directly. UCAS course code: LX53 FdA/ ECS Campus code: 7- North West Regional College

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

There will be a variety of assessment methods, written assignments, presentations, practical activity, assessment on placement

### Work Placement

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.

### Further Study

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

### Your Future Career

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



Early Years (Childcare)



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# Engineering



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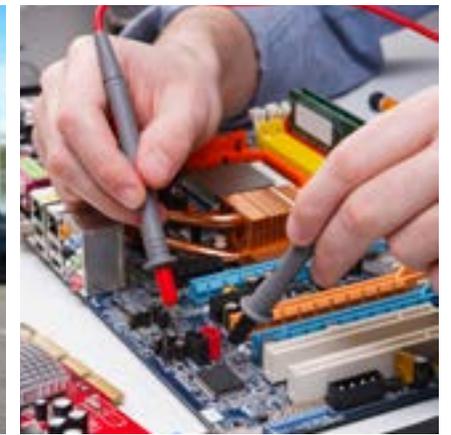


## Career Paths

- › Manufacturing Engineer
  - › Mechanical Engineer
  - › Aeronautical Engineer
  - › Electrical & Electronic Engineer
  - › Robotics Engineer
  - › Telecoms Engineer
  - › Materials Design Engineer
  - › Product Design Engineer
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Apprenticeships  
in this subject area

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## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Foundation Diploma Engineering

### Course Code

601/7591/6.

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Greystone or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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Non-Term Time  
Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This nationally recognised engineering qualification is designed for students pursuing a well-paid, prestigious career, equipped with skills valued worldwide.

It is a one-year, full-time course that supports progression to an Engineering apprenticeship or to a further year of Level 3 study, which can lead to a Higher Level Apprenticeship (HLA) or to university to study a degree course in an area of Engineering. The qualification is also suitable for learners who wish to move directly into employment within the engineering industry.

The course provides education and training across a range of engineering fields, including electrical, electronic and mechanical engineering.

Throughout the programme, you will develop strong practical and academic skills, gaining valuable knowledge and hands-on experience. You will use industry-standard software and equipment to design, test and manufacture products and materials. Assessment projects are built around real-world engineering scenarios.

### Core Modules

- Engineering Principles
- Delivery of Engineering Processes Safely as a Team
- Engineering Product Design and Manufacture
- Applied Commercial and Quality Principles in Engineering

### Optional Modules

- Electronic Devices and Circuits
- Electronic Printed Circuit Board Design and Manufacture
- Fabrication Manufacturing

### Processes

- Calculus to Solve Engineering Problems
- Mechanical Behaviour of Metallic Materials

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Diploma in Engineering OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Maths at Grade C

**ROI:** Level 2 Diploma in Engineering OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include Maths at O4 OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

### Assessment

56% Coursework 44% Exam

Internally assessed units allow learners to be evaluated through a variety of methods, helping them develop a broad range of transferable skills. Learners may be asked to write up research findings, use case studies to explore complex or unfamiliar situations, complete projects where they can influence the direction and outcomes, and demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate processes, devices, components, equipment, materials and consumables.

### Work Placement

Optional work placement is available for students who are intending to progress to an apprenticeship programme and then further to full-time employment.

### Further Study

Successful completion of this course will allow you to progress to the second year of the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma or, depending on the grades achieved, to a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma or

HLA programmes within NWRC.

These pathways can then lead to university study in degree areas such as Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Automotive Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering, Marine Engineering, Electronics and Computing, and Agricultural Engineering.

### Your Future Career

This qualification has been designed as a one-year, full-time course for learners seeking to progress into employment within the engineering sector. Learners develop relevant skills and knowledge through a range of content focused on electrical/electronic and mechanical disciplines. Progression may be directly into Level 3 engineering roles or into apprenticeship programmes.

The Foundation Diploma consists of seven units developed in collaboration with employers, higher education representatives and professional bodies. This ensures the content is current and includes the knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes required in the engineering industry.

There are four mandatory units: two are externally assessed through examinations, and two are internally assessed coursework units. The remaining three optional units are also internally assessed and complete the course structure.



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma Engineering

### Course Code

601/7588/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This is a nationally recognised engineering qualification aimed at students who wish to follow a career in well-paid, prestigious employment, equipped with skills recognised around the world.

The Extended Diploma is a two-year, full-time course that is equivalent to 3 A-levels. The course will provide opportunities for students to progress within the industry and to higher-level study.

The course can support learners who want to progress directly to employment in job roles in the engineering industry and to Higher Level Apprenticeships (HLAs) in the engineering sector.

The course will provide education and training for a range of careers in engineering, including electrical, electronic and mechanical engineering. Throughout the course you will have the opportunity to gain excellent practical and academic skills, knowledge and experience. You will learn to use industry standard software and equipment to design, test and manufacture products and materials. Assessment projects are designed to be directly related to real life engineering scenarios.

### Core Modules

- Engineering Principles
- Delivery of Engineering Processes Safely as a Team
- Engineering Product Design and Manufacture
- Applied Commercial and Quality Principles in Engineering
- A Specialist Engineering Project
- Microcontroller Systems for Engineers
- Calculus to Solve Engineering Problems

### Optional Modules

- Programmable Logic Controllers
- Further Engineering Mathematics
- Computer Aided Design in Engineering
- Pneumatic and Hydraulic Systems
- Electronic Devices and Circuits
- Analogue Electronic Circuits
- Electronic Printed Circuit Board Design and Manufacture
- Mechanical Behaviour of Metallic Materials
- Static Mechanical Principles in Practice

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Diploma in Engineering OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Maths at Grade B.

**ROI:** Level 2 Diploma in Engineering OR 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include Maths at O4 OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

### Assessment

67% Coursework 33% Exam

The extended diploma consists of 15 units which have been developed in collaboration with employers and representatives from higher education and relevant professional bodies to ensure that content is up to date and that it includes the knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes required in the engineering sector. There are seven mandatory units. Three are externally assessed requiring learners to sit an examination and four units are internally assessed (coursework). A further five optional units which are also internally assessed make up the remainder of the course. Internally assessed units allow learners to be assessed using a variety of styles to help them develop a broad range of transferable skills. Learners could

be given opportunities to write up the findings of their own research, use case studies to explore complex or unfamiliar situations, carry out projects for which they have choice over the direction and outcomes, and demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate processes, devices, components, equipment, materials, consumables.

### Further Study

Successful completion of this course will allow you to progress to Higher National Certificate and Higher National Diploma and HLA courses within NWRC. You can also progress to university to study a degree course in areas such as Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Automotive Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering, Marine Engineering, Electronics and Computing and Agricultural Engineering

### Your Future Career

This qualification has been designed as a two-year, full-time course that meets entry requirements in its own right for learners wanting to progress to employment in engineering. Learners gain relevant skills and knowledge from studying a range of content focused on electrical/electronic and mechanical disciplines, for example electrical machines and maintenance of mechanical systems. Progression could be either directly to employment in Level 3 job roles or to higher level apprenticeship programmes.





## Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate Engineering (General)

### Course Code

601/7588/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

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### Progression



### Course Overview

Higher National Certificate in General Engineering (with a focus on Mechanical, Manufacture and Design). The course allows for a wide range of practical activities and opportunities for team working, incorporating a range of computer based IT Engineering Applications where students have access to industry-standard Design, Manufacture and Control software packages.

In year 1, students undertake study of a module in Engineering Mathematics, which consolidates and builds upon the apprentices understanding and knowledge of mathematics. Students also study the application of science in engineering through an Engineering Science module. Apprentices also undertake study of CAD using industry standard software such as SOLIDWORKS and the application of CAD/CAM in manufacture. In the 2nd year apprentices undertake study of PLCs and Fluid Mechanics. They also study Engineering Design process and apply knowledge and experience to undertake an Engineering project.

This course also has a full time option where all 8 units can be taken in 1 year, however, whether the course runs is numbers dependent.

### Core Modules

- Engineering Mathematics
- Engineering Design
- Engineering Science
- Managing a Professional Engineering Project

### Optional Modules

- Computer Aided Design and Manufacture (CAD/CAM)
- Materials, Properties and Testing
- Fluid Mechanics
- Quality & Process Improvement

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS points with at least one pass in a related discipline plus C or above in GCSE Mathematics (or equivalent) OR A BTEC level 3 qualification

in an Engineering discipline OR Mature students with alternative qualifications will be considered for admission.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS points with at least one Higher Pass in a related discipline plus OLC (Grade O5 or above) in Mathematics (or equivalent) OR A BTEC level 3 qualification in an Engineering discipline OR Mature students with alternative qualifications will be considered for admission.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

At Level 4, students develop a broad knowledge and awareness of key aspects of the engineering sector through four core units. The core units are Engineering Design, Engineering Mathematics and Engineering Science. Managing a Professional Engineering Project is a core unit and Pearson-set assignment unit. For the General Engineering pathway, students take the four mandatory core units and an additional four optional units. This course is assessed through 100% coursework. Units are assessed in several ways including written assignments, research work, group activities, practical work and presentations.

### Further Study

Successful completion of the Higher National Certificate with appropriate grades may enable progression to a BEng (Hons) degree pathway of related degree at Ulster University or similar degrees at other universities. The course will enable you to seek employment as Higher Engineering Technicians and Incorporated Engineers in the local engineering/manufacturing industry.

### Your Future Career

Whether you want to specialise in electrical, electronics, mechanical, manufacturing, production, aeronautical, energy supply, communications or maintenance engineering, there is a wide range of engineering opportunities available in Ireland, the UK and abroad.



## Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Engineering (General)

### Course Code

610/3636/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

2 years full time /

3 years part time

### Awarding Body

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### Non-Term Time

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### Course Overview

BTECs are work related qualifications for students taking their first steps into employment, or for those already in employment and seeking career development opportunities. BTECs provide progression into the workplace either directly or via study at university and are also designed to meet employers' needs.

This programme enables employees to undertake a BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma in General Engineering. The full time Higher National Diploma programme includes 16 units. This programme will develop critical thinking and problem solving skills and incorporates a range of IT applications, industry standard software and simulation packages. Assessment will be 100% coursework.

### Core Modules

- Engineering Mathematics
- Engineering Science
- Engineering Design
- Managing a Professional Engineering Project
- Further Mathematics
- Research Project
- Professional Engineering Management (Pearson Set)
- Lean Manufacturing

### Optional Modules

- Fluid Mechanics
- Quality & Process Improvement
- Analogue Electronic Systems
- Computer Aided design and Manufacture
- Advanced Mechanical Principles
- Materials, Properties and Testing
- Sustainability

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points to include one pass in related discipline and GCSE English and Mathematics at Grade C or equivalent OR Relevant Access course with an overall mark of at least 41%, including passes in Mathematics and a Science subject. APEL applicable

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points to include one pass

in related discipline and OLC English and Mathematics at Grade O5 or equivalent OR Relevant Access course with an overall mark of at least 41%, including passes in Mathematics and a Science subject. APEL applicable

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

The Level 4 units lay the foundations of learning by providing a broad introduction to engineering and manufacturing. This develops and strengthens core skills through units such as Engineering Design, Engineering Mathematics and Science, Managing a Professional Engineering Project and Electrical and Electronic Principles. The Level 5 units give students the opportunity to specialise in the occupational area of Mechanical engineering and include core units such as Further Engineering Mathematics, Research Project, Professional Engineering Management and Lean Manufacturing. This course is assessed through 100% coursework. Units are assessed in several ways including written assignments, research work, group activities, practical work and presentations.

### Further Study

The Level 5 HND General Engineering will provide successful students with the opportunity to progress to the following BEng Hons programmes across a range of HE institutions including UU, QUB & OU.

- BEng Honours Mechanical
- Engineering
- BEng Hons Engineering Management
- BEng Hons Degree in Engineering (Top Up)

### Your Future Career

Whether you want to specialise in electrical, electronics, mechanical, manufacturing, production, aeronautical, energy supply, communications or maintenance engineering, there is a wide range of engineering opportunities available in Ireland, the UK and abroad.



# Hairdressing & Beauty Therapy

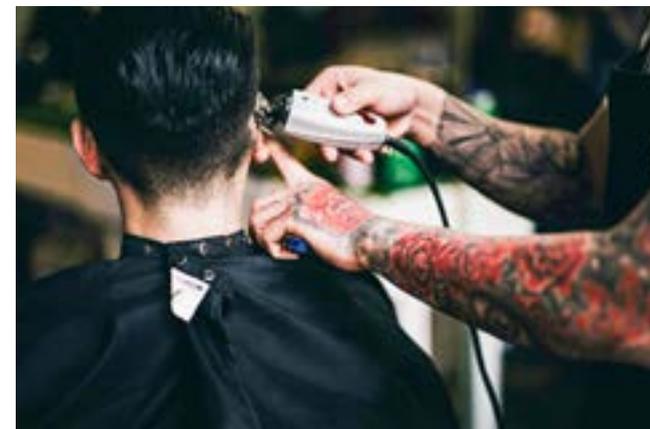


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## Career Paths

- › Salon Manager
  - › Hairdresser
  - › Barber
  - › Nail Technician
  - › Spa / Massage Therapist
  - › Make-Up Artist
  - › Beautician
  - › Colourist
- ...plus many more!*







## City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate Barbering

### Course Code

601/5909/1

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20.00  
Kits: £100

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

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### Course Overview

The course will provide you with the basic skills and knowledge in order to progress to level 2 Traineeship in Barbering. If you are artistic and have a natural flair for hair, and plenty of energy and stamina this course will help you explore the skills needed to progress through to level 2.

Skills you require: Creative Skills, Design Skills, Customer Care, Personal presentation, Good communication skills organisational and time-keeping skills. During your course you may have an opportunity to assist and participate in our competition which are judged by leading Barbers.

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

As part of this course you will complete Essential skills in both Numeracy and Literacy

### Core Modules

- Unit 101 prepare for hair services and maintain work areas
- Unit 102 Contribute to the development of effective working
- Unit 103 Blow dry hair
- Unit 104 Shampoo & condition hair
- Unit 106 Assist with Reception duties
- Unit 218 assist with shaving services

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No entry requirements

**ROI:** No entry requirements

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge.

### Further Study

Students will have a range of skills and experience leading to progress to level 2.

### Your Future Career

If you progress to level 2 and 3 in Barbering the career opportunities within this industry can lead to jobs in top class salons, working abroad or teaching.



## City and Guilds Level 1 Diploma Beauty Therapy

### Course Code

600/2753/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30  
Kits: £60

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

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### Non-Term Time

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### Course Overview

Are you interested in developing your skills to become a beauty therapist or make-up artist of the future? Have you got the creative flair and do you want to learn all the tricks of the trade?

If YES, this course will provide you with the skills and knowledge necessary to decide which if you would like to become a 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.

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

### Core Modules

- 101 Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector
- 102 Presenting a Professional Image in a Salon
- 113 Follow health and safety in the salon
- 115 Working with others in the hair and beauty sector
- 218 Provide Nail Art
- 216 The Art of Photographic Make-up
- 114 Salon reception duties
- 112 Create a hair and beauty image
- 110 Providing Basic Pedicure Treatments

- 109 Providing Basic Manicure Treatments
- 107 Themed Face Painting
- 106 Basic Make-up Application

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No Entry Requirements  
**ROI:** No Entry Requirements

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Assessment on this course is carried out by practical observation and the completion of written tasks

### Further Study

Successfully completing Level 1 Beauty will allow you to progress to a level 2 Traineeship in Beauty Therapy and then further progression to level 3 beauty

### Your Future Career

With experience, beauty therapists can command high salaries and are always in demand! Salary depends on experience and expertise. You can own your own business or progress into teaching.





## City & Guilds Level 1 Diploma Combined Hairdressing & Beauty Therapy

### Course Code

600/2753/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30

Kits: £160

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

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### Non-Term Time

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### Course Overview

Are you interested in developing your skills to become a stylist or make-up artist of the future? Have you got the creative flair and do you want to learn all the tricks of the trade?

If YES, this course will provide you with the skills and knowledge necessary to decide which if you would like to become a hairdresser or 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.

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

### Core Modules

- Unit 101 Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector
- Unit 102 Presenting a Professional image in a salon
- Unit 103 Follow health and safety
- Unit 115 Working with others
- Unit 003 Shampoo and condition
- Unit 105 Plaiting & Twisting
- Unit 106 Basic make-up application

- Unit 107 Basic manicure treatments
- Unit 108 Basic pedicure treatments
- Unit 112 Create a Hair & Beauty image
- Unit 217 Art of Colouring Hair
- Unit 113 Salon Reception
- Unit 215 Art of dressing Hair

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No entry requirements

**ROI:** No entry requirements

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Assessment on this course is carried out by practical observation and the completion of written tasks

### Further Study

Successfully completing Level 1 Hair & Beauty will allow you to progress to a level 2 Traineeship in either Hair or Beauty Therapy and then further progression in one of our level 3 courses.

### Your Future Career

With experience, hairdressers and beauty therapists can command high salaries and are always in demand! Salary depends on experience and expertise. You can own your own business or progress into teaching.



## City & Guilds Level 1 Diploma Hairdressing

### Course Code

600/2753/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: 30.00

Kits: 165.00

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

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### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

Are you interested in developing your skills to become a hair stylist of the future? Have you got the creative flair and do you want to learn all the tricks of the trade? If YES, this course will provide you with the skills and knowledge necessary to become a hairdresser.

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.

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

### Core Modules

- 003 - Shampoo and Conditioning
- 005 - Create an Image using Colour for the Hair and Beauty Sector
- 103 - Styling Womens Hair
- 104 - Styling Mens Hair
- 105 - Plaiting and Twisting Hair
- 112 - Create a Hair and Beauty Image
- 114 - Salon Reception Duties
- 215 - The Art of Dressing Hair
- 217 - The Art of Colouring
- 101 - Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector
- 102 - Presenting a Professional Image in a Salon
- 113 - Follow Health and Safety in the Salon
- 115 - Working with Other in the Hair and Beauty Sector

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No requirements

**ROI:** No requirements

### Assessment

75% Coursework 25% Exam

Assessment on this course is carried out by practical observation and the completion of written tasks

### Further Study

Successfully completing Level 1 Hair will allow you to progress to a level 2 Traineeship in Hairdressing and then further progression in L3 Hairdressing.

### Your Future Career

With experience, hairdressers and beauty therapists can command high salaries and are always in demand! Salary depends on experience and expertise. You can own your own business or progress into teaching.





## OCN NI Level 2 Traineeship Hairdressing

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30  
Kits: £160

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course will provide you with the professional skills and knowledge necessary to become a competent hairdresser, working efficiently and effectively. 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:

- 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. Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions. You may be entitled to financial support for your uniform and kit. Contact Student Services for more information.

### Core Modules

- Shampoo & Conditioning
- Health, Safety & Science
- Colouring Hair
- Cutting Hair
- Styling, Dressing & Finishing Hair
- Practical Hairdressing Project

### Entry Requirements

UK: 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade D as a minimum. If you do not hold a pass in Maths & English then you will be required to complete these alongside your vocational course.

ROI: 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum. If you do not hold a pass in Maths & English then you will be required to complete these alongside your vocational course.

### Assessment

20% Coursework 80% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. The assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake: \* practical tasks, and \* online exams.

### Work Placement

Work Placement is embedded into the programme, running the colleges commercial salons

### Further Study

Students will have a broad range of skills and experience leading to progress to higher levels

### Your Future Career

Career opportunities for former successful students include positions within top class salons, television, working abroad, on cruise liners, in demonstration work or teaching.



## City & Guilds Level 2 Traineeship Barbering

### Course Code

601/5699/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30  
Kits: £160

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

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### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

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 the skills needed to turn your interests into a career. You will also need plenty of energy and stamina to succeed in this customer focused industry. The NWRC Barbering facilities offer Salon Services to the public so training is reflective of industry standards.

Skills you will acquire:

- 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 competitions, judged by leading barbers, hairdressers and beauty therapists. Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions. Grant support for uniform and kit may be available. Contact Student Services for more details.

### Core Modules

- Unit 205 Advise & Consult with clients
- Unit 206 Shampoo, Condition and treat the hair
- Unit 207 Develop & maintain your effectiveness at work
- Unit 214 Cut Mens Hair
- Unit 215 Cut facial hair using basic techniques
- Unit 216 Dry & finish mens hair
- Unit 217 Create basic outlines & detailing in hair
- 209 Perm & neutralise hair
- 219 Colour & lighten hair

### Entry Requirements

UK: 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include

Maths and English Grade D as a minimum. If you do not hold a pass in Maths & English then you will be required to complete these alongside your vocational course.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum. If you do not hold a pass in Maths & English then you will be required to complete these alongside your vocational course.

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. The summative assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake: \* practical tasks, and \* online exams

### Work Placement

You will be placed in a Barbers 1 day per week to gain valuable experience in the Barbering environment. If you are unable to find a Work Placement, you will complete this in house in the college commercial salons.

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.

### Further Study

Candidates showing flair and expertise at Level 2 are expected to progress onto the Level 3 Diploma programme.

### Your Future Career

Career opportunities for successful students include positions within top class salons, television, working abroad, on cruise liners, in demonstration work or teaching.



## City & Guilds Level 2 Traineeship Beauty Therapy

### Course Code

500/9076/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30

Kits: £100

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

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Non-Term Time

Admissions Offic  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed for those wishing to have a fulfilling career in this fast paced and continuously evolving world-wide industry.

To become a successful Beauty Therapist you will need to have excellent people skills and love all things make-up and beauty! You are taught in 'salons' by professionals who have worked in industry or owned their own salons. Practical training and assessments are carried out on clients in a realistic working environment.

Students who choose to study on this popular course benefit greatly from our industry standard facilities, including the commercial salon, which is open to the public. Our students have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK competitions. Grant support may be available.

### Core Modules

- unit 201 Working in the beauty related industries
- Unit 202 Follow health and safety practice in the salon
- Unit 203 Client care and communication in beauty related industries
- Unit 204 Provide facial skin care
- Unit 205 Promote products and services to clients in a salon
- Unit 206 Remove hair using waxing techniques

- Unit 207 Provide manicure treatments
- Unit 208 Provide pedicure treatments
- Unit 209 Apply make-up
- Unit 210 Provide eyelash and eyebrow treatments
- Unit 212 Create an image based on a theme within the hair and beauty sector

### Entry Requirements

UK: 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade D as a minimum. If you do not hold a pass in Maths & English then you will be required to complete these alongside your vocational course.

ROI: 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O5 as a minimum. If you do not hold a pass in Maths & English then you will be required to complete these alongside your vocational course.

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. The summative assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake: practical tasks, and online exams

### Work Placement

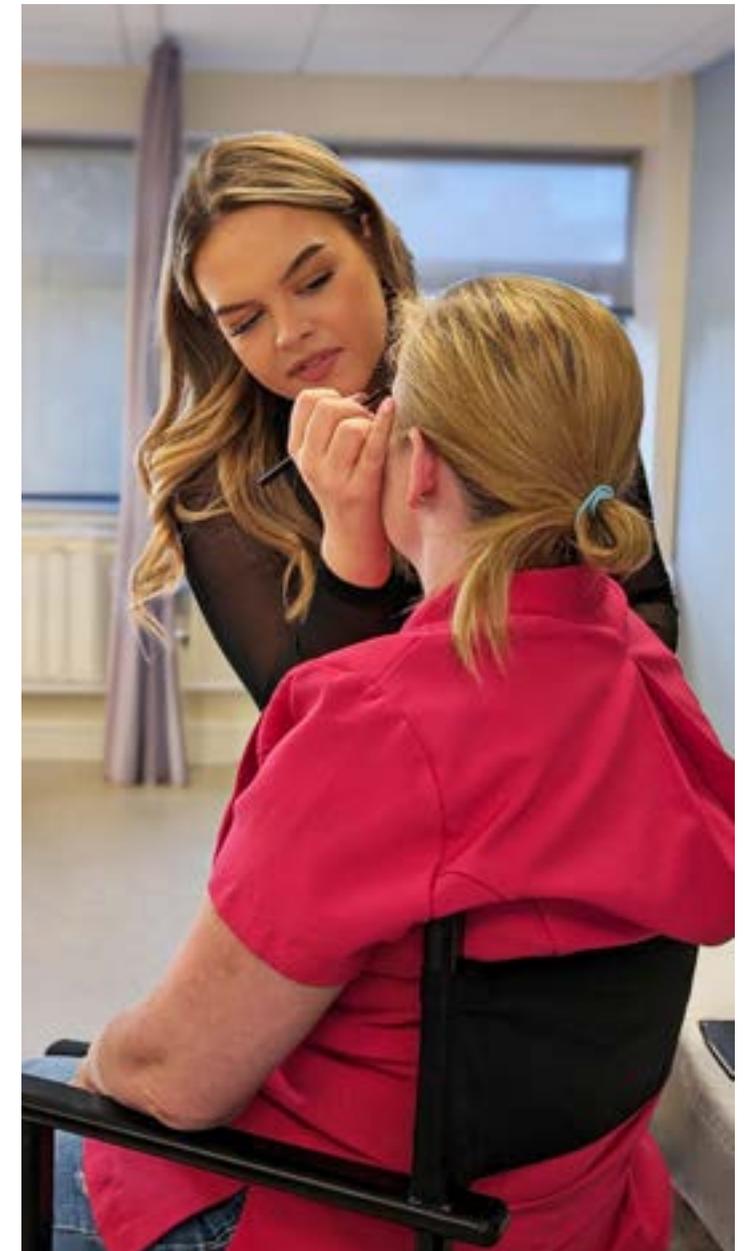
Work placement is within the college salons

### Further Study

If you can demonstrate flair and expertise on this course, you should expect to progress onto our Level 3 Diploma programme

### Your Future Career

Career opportunities for successful students include positions within Beauticians, Health Spas, on Cruise Liners and or as Cosmetic Demonstrators as Salon Technicians. Many of our students go on to have successful careers and some start up their own business.





## City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma Barbering

### Course Code

601/5698/3

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** You should have this from your L2.

**Kits:** You should have this from your L2.

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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**Limavady:**

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**Strabane:**

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is open to students who have successfully completed their Level 2 in Barbering. It 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.

Barbering is a dynamic industry and you will require commitment to be successful in this evolving and fast-paced industry. Being a Barber requires you to make successful connections with your clients and therefore listening and communication skills are very important. The NWRC Barbering facilities offer Services to the public so training is reflective of industry standards.

During your course you will have the opportunity to participate in annual competitions, judged by leading barbers. Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions. Grant support for uniform and kit may be available. Contact Student Services for more details.

### Core Modules

- 304 – PROVIDE CLIENT CONSULTATION
- 219 COLOUR AND LIGHTEN MEN'S HAIR
- 309 – CREATIVELY CUT HAIR USING A COMBINATION OF BARBERING TECHNIQUES
- 310 DESIGN AND CREATE A RANGE OF FACIAL HAIR SHAPES
- 405 -DESIGN AND CREATE PATTERNS IN HAIR

- 209 PERMING AND NEUTRALISING HAIR
- 311 PROVIDE FACIAL SHAVING

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Diploma in Barbering.

**ROI:** Level 2 Diploma in Barbering.

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. The summative assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake: \* practical tasks, and \* online exams

### Work Placement

You will be placed in a Barbering 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.

### Further Study

You may progress to Level 5 OCN/NI in Hair and Beauty Management

### Your Future Career

The course offers the opportunity to progress to supervisory and management positions, courses of higher education and careers in teaching and training.





## City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma Beauty Therapy

### Course Code

601/0560/4

### Campus

Limavady or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £60  
Kits: £30

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

**Limavady:**  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

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 career 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. Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK competitions.

### Core Modules

- Unit 302 Monitor and maintain health and safety practice in the salon
- Unit 303 Client care and communication in beauty related industries
- Unit 304 Promote and sell products and services to clients
- Unit 306 Provide facial electrotherapy treatments
- Unit 309 Provide massage using pre-blended aromatherapy oils
- Unit 311 Provide Indian head massage
- Unit 313 Provide self tanning
- Unit 317 Apply individual permanent lashes
- Unit 321 Apply micro-dermabrasion
- Unit 322 Apply stone therapy massage
- unit 305 Provide body massage

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Beauty Therapy or Level 2 Combined Hair & Beauty.

**ROI:** Level 2 Beauty Therapy or Level 2 Combined Hair & Beauty.

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. The summative assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake: \* practical tasks, and \* online exams

### Work Placement

You will spend at least 1 day per week on placement in local beauty salons to gain vital client and industry experience. 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.

### Further Study

Successful students may choose to enhance their career opportunities by undertaking a range of Level 4/5 specialist units or OCN/NI in Hair & Beauty Management.

### Your Future Career

There are many exciting opportunities open to the qualified therapist, such as Salon Ownership, Beauty Therapists, working aboard Cruise Ships and in prestigious Health Spas or opening your own business.



## City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma Beauty Therapy (Body & SPA)

### Course Code

500/8954/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £60  
Kits: £30

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

Fast Facts: Spas are considered 'the luxury' beauty market. They are defined as establishments that promote wellness through the provision of therapeutic and other professional services aimed at renewing the body, mind, and spirit and are a key component of the wellness industry.

Massage is known as the oldest healthcare treatment and there are more than 80 different types of massage. The popularity of Spa Training continues to grow with our past students working in industry across the world.

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. NWRC has its own purpose built Spa area which supports specialist training. Beauty Therapy is a dynamic industry involving hard work, which provides satisfying and rewarding outcomes.

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

### Core Modules

- 302 Health & Safety
- 303 Client Care
- 304 Promote products/services
- 305 Body massage
- 309 Pre blended aroma massage
- 325 Monitor maintain spa
- 326 Provide spa treatments
- 311 Provide Indian Head Massage
- 331 Health & Well being
- 301 Working in beauty industry

### Optional Modules

As required by industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Beauty Therapy; OR Level 2 Hair & Beauty Combined

**ROI:** Level 2 Beauty Therapy; OR Level 2 Hair & Beauty Combined

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. The summative assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake: \* practical tasks, and \* online exams

### Work Placement

You will spend at least 1 day per week on placement in local beauty salons to gain experience of Spa.

### Further Study

Successful students may choose to enhance their career opportunities by undertaking the OCN/NI in Hair & Beauty Management or other specialty Part Time courses to improve their income potential.

### Your Future Career

There are many exciting opportunities open to the qualified therapist, such as Salon Owners, Beauty Therapists, and Cruise Ships and Health Spas.





## City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma Hairdressing

### Course Code

601/5697/1

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady or  
Strabane

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £30

Kits: £170

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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Strabane:

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Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Hairdressing has become a dynamic industry where flair 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 accreditation 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.

Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions. You may be entitled to financial support for your uniform and kit. Contact Student Services for more information.

### Core Modules

- Unit 301 Creatively Style and dress hair
- Unit 302 Creatively cut hair using a combination of techniques
- Unit 303 Creatively Colour and Lighten hair
- Unit 304 Provide client consultation services
- Unit 308 Contribute to the financial effectiveness of the business
- Unit 401 Hair colour correction services
- Unit 402 Develop, enhance and evaluate your creative hairdressing skills

### Optional Modules

Unit 214 Cut Mens hair

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** NVQ/VRQ Level 2 Hairdressing;  
OR NVQ/VRQ Level 2 Combined  
Hair/Beauty

**ROI:** NVQ/VRQ Level 2 Hairdressing;  
OR NVQ/VRQ Level 2 Combined  
Hair/Beauty

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The emphasis is on 'learning by doing'. For this reason, candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. The summative assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake: \* practical tasks, and \* online exams

### Work Placement

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.

### Further Study

Successful students may choose to enhance their career opportunities by undertaking the OCN/NI in Hair & Beauty Management

### Your Future Career

The course offers the opportunity to progress to supervisory and management positions, courses of higher education and careers in teaching and training.

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# Hospitality & Tourism



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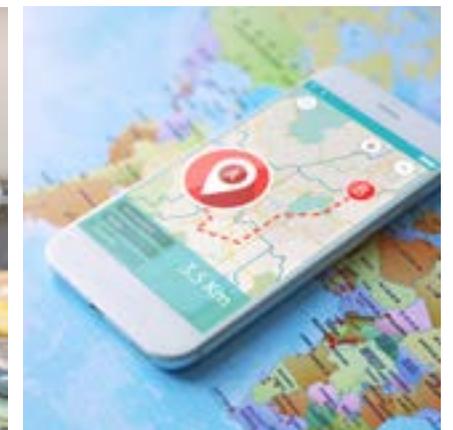


## Career Paths

- › Chef
  - › Restaurant Manager
  - › Barista
  - › Patisserie Chef
  - › Hotel Manager
  - › Tour Guide
  - › Events Manager
  - › Airline Cabin Crew
- ...plus many more!

We also offer  
Higher Level  
Apprenticeships  
in this subject area

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for details



# HOSPITALITY & TOURISM



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## City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate Hospitality Services

### Course Code

NDAQ: 501/0003/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £ 100-150 (subject to  
change)

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

The Hospitality industry is a large and diverse employer, and the sector is growing within Northern Ireland with more people travelling and eating out.

This provides many opportunities for a dynamic, and fulfilling career. Hospitality at level 1 is the beginning of this journey giving you the insight, skills and knowledge to develop in this career path.

The qualification is a well-structured learning programme delivered in modern facilities with a dedicated teaching team. This course will introduce you to basic cookery 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 aptitude.

You will work in the College's well equipped kitchens and the College Brasserie /Restaurant.

Your study includes NVQ1 certificate in Hospitality Services and Essential Skills in Communication & Numeracy at the appropriate level.

### Core Modules

will be discussed at interview

### Optional Modules

will be discussed at interview

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** None

**ROI:** None

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

All practical coursework / assessments will be completed in the College kitchens and restaurants. All UPK exams will be under test conditions in the classroom.

### Further Study

Students may progress to Level 2 Professional Chef Traineeship Employment Apprenticeship Training





## City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate Hospitality Services (SEN)

### Course Code

NDAQ: 501/0003/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** £100-150 (subject to change)

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed for those with mild to moderate learning disabilities and will provide opportunities to develop hospitality skills at your own pace, which can lead to a dynamic and fulfilling hospitality career.

The qualification is a well-structured learning programme delivered in modern facilities with a dedicated teaching team. This course will introduce you to basic cookery 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 aptitude.

All applicants will be invited to a non mandatory information session where parents/relevant professionals may attend. Arrangements for meeting individual support needs will be discussed to ensure that students have every opportunity to succeed.

### Core Modules

will be discussed at interview

### Optional Modules

will be discussed at interview

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** None

**ROI:** None

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

All practical coursework / assessments will be completed in the College kitchens and restaurants. All UPK tests will be under test conditions in the classroom.

### Further Study

Students may progress to NVQ Level 2 Hospitality Services (SEN)

### Your Future Career

Employment  
NVQ2 Hospitality Services (SEN)



## City & Guilds Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Professional Cookery

### Course Code

500/9979/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £ 100 -150 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This programme is a recognised qualification designed to enable students to gain professional culinary skills.

You will train in the production of food to a high standard in our modern kitchens and restaurant facilities. This is a dynamic programme which involves both food preparation and cookery elements - you will prepare & cook a range of foods using a variety of cooking methods.

Apprenticeships NI Level 2 is open to employees aged 16+ 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 day release attendance at college).

Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy are also included if equivalents not already achieved.

As an apprentice you are employed in the industry and typically work for an employer three to four days a week. One or two days a week will be spent at college studying your competency and knowledge based qualifications.

### Core Modules

Modules will be discussed at interview

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Students preferably should have GCSE English and Maths (Grade D). Those who do not have GCSE or Level 1 in Numeracy, Literacy and ICT must attend additional classes in these subjects whilst attending College.

**ROI:** Students preferably should have OLC English and Maths (Grade O6). Those who do not have OLC or Level 1 in Numeracy, Literacy and ICT must attend additional classes in these subjects whilst attending College.

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

Coursework will be made up of both practical assessments and underpinning knowledge tests.

### Work Placement

You will typically work for your employer 3 to 4 days per week or at least 21 hours per week.

### Further Study

Progression to Level 3 Professional Chefs apprenticeship.

### Your Future Career

The skills acquired on the course will enable you to progress with your current employer or gain further employment within the hospitality industry.





## FDQ Level 2 Traineeship Professional Chef

### Course Code

500/9979/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £ 100 -150  
(SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

### Awarding Body

FDQ

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

The FDQ Level 2 Diploma in Professional Chef Qualification (Northern Ireland) is designed for learners who wish to work as a chef in the catering and hospitality industry.

The Traineeship programme will allow participants to achieve a full Level 2 qualification and will comprise the following key elements:

- A main vocational based qualification
- Vocational skills development
- Transversal and digital skills
- Work placement
- Literacy and numeracy qualifications at Level 2 (may include GCSE qualifications in English and Mathematics)
- Additional qualifications necessary for work within hospitality e.g Food Safety, Allergen Awareness.

You will train in modern kitchens and restaurant facilities. This is a dynamic programme which involves both food preparation and cookery elements, where you will prepare & cook a range of foods using a variety of cooking methods.

### Core Modules

will be discussed at interview

### Optional Modules

will be discussed at interview

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths and English Grade E as a minimum.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O6 as a minimum

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

All practical coursework / assessments will be completed in the College kitchens and restaurants. All UPK exams will be under test conditions in the classroom.

### Work Placement

Students will complete a work placement - this will be discussed at interview.

### Further Study

Progression to Level 3

### Your Future Career

You can progress into employment or Apprenticeship training.



## NCFE Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Travel & Tourism

### Course Code

601/7936/3

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Misc:** £25 required for attendance on study visits – payable as and when trips are confirmed throughout each year of the programme.

**Other:** A residential unit is a possibility for year 2 of the programme and costs will vary depending on activities and location selected by the class cohort.

### Awarding Body

NCFE CACHE

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is equivalent to 2-3 'A' levels and can equip you with the knowledge and skills required for a wide range of careers within the Travel and Tourism industry. You will be given the opportunity to participate in a range of site visits that allows observation of the Tourism industry in practice. Some of these site visits involve a financial cost.

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. Both Numeracy and Literacy are required for progression to Higher Level courses. A wide range of units are studied to give a broad understanding of the industry.

### Core Modules

- The UK Travel & Tourism Industry
- Customer Service in Travel & Tourism
- Preparing for a Career in Travel & Tourism

### Optional Modules

- Work Experience in Travel and Tourism
- The UK Conference & Events Industry
- UK Visitor Attractions
- Responsible Tourism
- Specialist Tourism
- Travel & Tourism Destinations
- Hospitality in Travel & Tourism
- UK Tour Operations
- Travel Agency Operations
- Marketing for Travel & Tourism

- Investigating Cabin Crew
- UK Airports
- The Cruise Industry
- Business Travel
- Tour Guiding

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) preferably to include English.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) preferably to include English; Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Modules will be assessed via a range of different assessment formats to include reports, essays and presentations.

### Work Placement

Currently a work placement is required to be undertaken. Students will have the opportunity to apply for and work in areas such as airports, hotels, restaurants, attractions, museums and with tour guiding companies.

### Further Study

After completing this programme, you may choose to progress to the further study within Hospitality, Tourism & Events Management within the College or enter employment within the industry.

### Your Future Career

There are multiple employment opportunities in areas such as airlines, hotels, visitor attractions, travel agents and public sector organisations.





## Open University Level 5 Foundation Degree Hospitality, Tourism and Events Management

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years (Full-Time)  
2.5 Years (Part-Time)

### Additional Fees

Field Trips: £40

Other: Optional International Residential, £400-£500 approx;

Additional Qualifications: £80;  
To enhance skills for employment

### Awarding Body

Open University

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This programme has been designed to prepare you for a career in the Hospitality, Tourism & Events industry.

Exemptions for modules already achieved will be determined by the specific progression degree you apply to as well as the Universities regulations in relation to exemptions.

Day trips, site visits and guest speakers play an important part of the programme along with additional qualifications to enhance employability and individual skills sets and it is recommended that all aspects are engaged with throughout the entire programme of study.

### Core Modules

A wide range of modules will be studied in the subject areas of hospitality, tourism and events management. Work Based Learning.

### Optional Modules

Depending on the specialist pathway (Hospitality, Tourism or Events) there are three additional subject modules.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS Tariff points + GCSE English Grade C or equivalent (eg. Essential Skills Level 2 Literacy).  
Access – 40%.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade O4 or above) in English;  
Access – 40%

Applicants who do not meet the formal entry requirements may be eligible to apply through Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL). Attendance at course information session is required.

### Assessment

80% Coursework, 20% Exam. Assessment includes individual and group presentations, essays, reports, class tests and examinations.

### Work Placement

Placement is a compulsory part of the programme and this can be undertaken at home or abroad.

### Further Study

Opportunities to progress to a Top-Up Degree or similar degree programme at another Higher Education college or university.

Exemptions for modules already achieved will be determined by the specific progression degree you apply to as well as the Universities regulations in relation to exemptions.

### Your Future Career

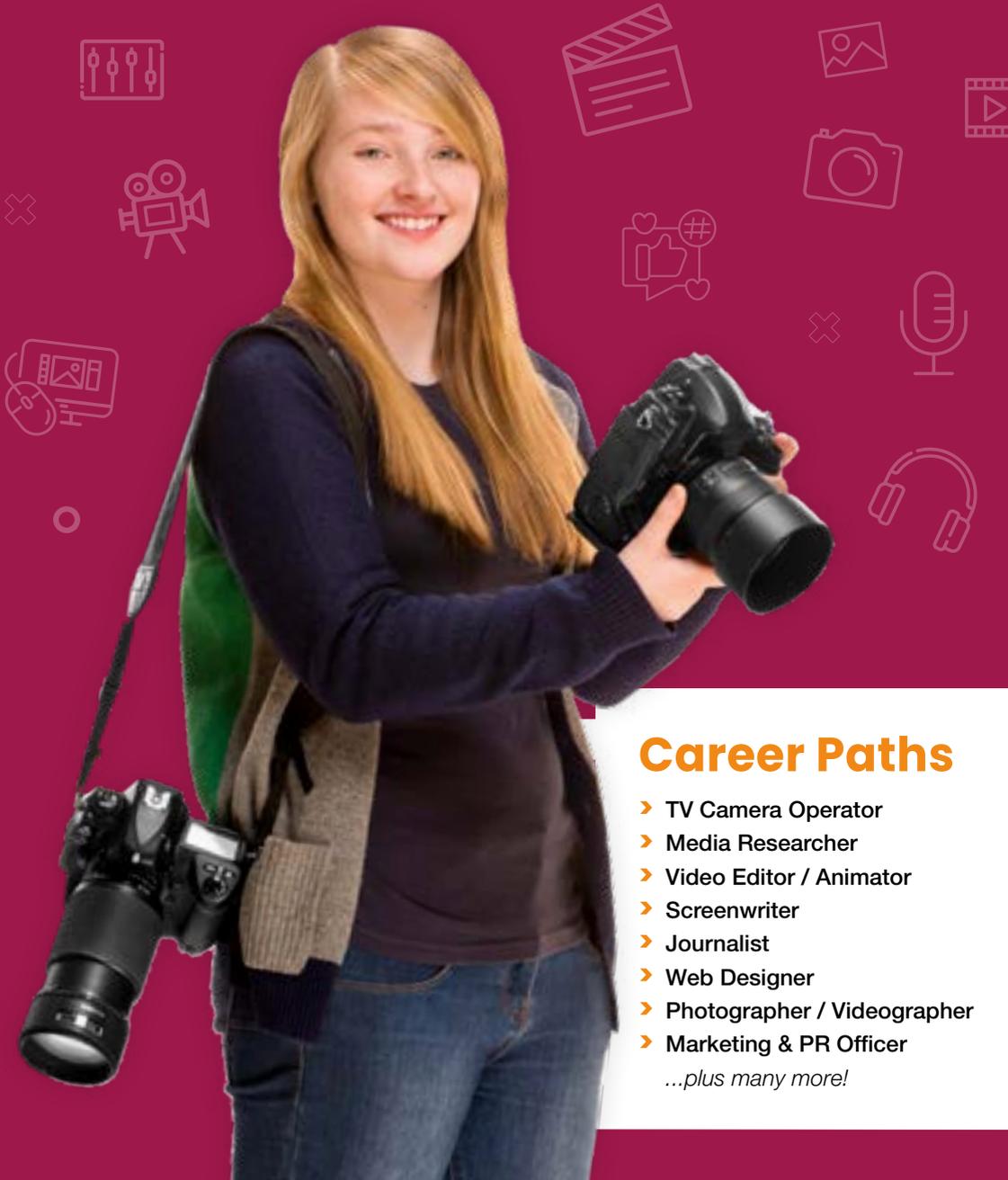
Progress into a number of career paths within the sectors of Hospitality, Tourism, Travel and Events.



# Media, Multimedia & Journalism

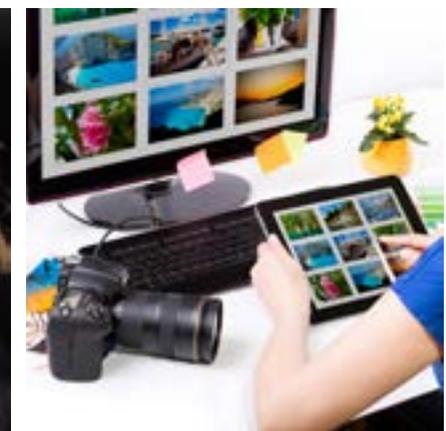
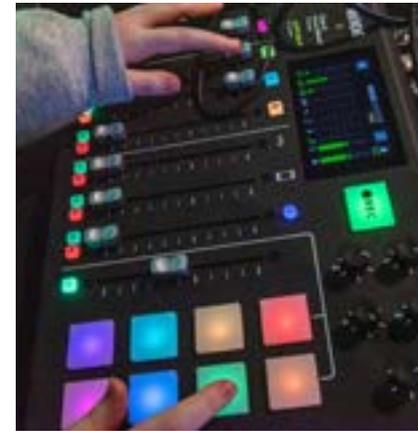


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MEDIA, MULTIMEDIA  
& JOURNALISM  
COURSES



## Career Paths

- TV Camera Operator
  - Media Researcher
  - Video Editor / Animator
  - Screenwriter
  - Journalist
  - Web Designer
  - Photographer / Videographer
  - Marketing & PR Officer
- ...plus many more!*



# MEDIA, MULTIMEDIA & JOURNALISM



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## Pearson BTEC Level 2 Traineeship Creative Media

### Course Code

603/5548/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

The Level 2 Traineeship in Creative Media will enable you to achieve a qualification which is comparable to 4 GCSEs.

The practical nature of the course will introduce an innovative creative industries sector and a range of available careers. It gives you an insight into the media industry with a view to further study at Level 3 or HE. This course will introduce learners to what is needed to succeed in a range of media career pathways including moving image, Film & TV, animation, photography, graphics and digital media.

Students will be introduced to technical skills, such as camera operation, editing, sound recording, and graphic design, while also developing their understanding of media theory and production processes including completion of projects and assignments that demonstrate technical, creative and transversal skills.

Some areas of study explored during the Level 2 Traineeship;

- Understanding the Media Industry
- Video Production
- Web Design
- Sound and Radio Production
- Advertising
- Digital Publishing
- Photography

### Core Modules

Exploring and Developing Creative Media Skills; Skills Development Creative Media Project Personal Development Responding to a Creative Brief

### Entry Requirements

UK: 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths at Grade D and English Grade E as a minimum.

ROI: 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths at Grade O5 and English Grade O6 as a minimum.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Students will engage in a range of assessments throughout the year; this includes the production of practical projects with accompanying portfolios and written work. Units are delivered by coursework, which is internally assessed and externally moderated. There are no external exams.

### Work Placement

60 hours of placement or simulated placement to be carried out over the year either in blocks throughout the year or a small number of hours per week.

### Further Study

This Level 2 Traineeship Diploma takes you through a variety of units that provide the basic foundation needed to help you progress learning to the next stage: potential to progress to the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Media Production or Level 3 in Games, Animation &

VFX. In addition, the qualification will allow you to choose your progression route from a wide range of other Level 3 Diploma courses at NWRC depending on the results obtained from the Vocational Qualification, Essential Skills Qualifications and T Skill qualifications. Further progression opportunities after Level 3 include a variety of Level 5 HND courses in Creative Media, Digital Design and Journalism.

### Your Future Career

The qualification can introduce a wide range of career pathways including job roles as filmmakers, video editors, content creators, journalists, radio broadcasters, social media managers or digital marketing executives.





## AIM Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Gaming, Animation and VFX Skills

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

AIM

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

The qualification is suitable for anyone interested in a career in a wide range of jobs in creative and digital media roles or to move into an apprenticeship or higher education.

The course contains the following components:

- Art Fundamentals for the Games, Animation and VFX Industries
- Core Principles of Game Design
- Fundamental Animation Skills for the Games, Animation and VFX Industries - possibly
- Fundamental Product Programming Skills
- Maths and Logic Fundamentals for the Games, Animation and VFX Industries
- VFX Fundamentals for the Games, Animation and VFX Industries
- 3D Tools: Creative and Technical 3D Modelling
- Production Management for the Games, Animation and VFX Industries
- Emerging Technologies/Trends in the Games, Animation and VFX Industries
- Images and Sounds for Imagined Worlds
- Story/Playboarding
- Working in the Games, Animation and VFX Industries

### Core Modules

- Core principles exam - Year 1
- Case study exam - Year 2
- Written assignment, Art theory in context
- Asset development portfolio
- Synoptic project (complete an industry set brief)
- Research report on emerging technologies

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs at Grade C (to include Maths); OR BTEC Level 2 First Diploma or equivalent at Pass or above; OR NVQ Level 2 (in relevant subject area)

**ROI:** 4 OLC's Grade O5 or above (to include Maths) OR BTEC Level 2 First Diploma or equivalent at Pass or above; OR NVQ Level 2 (in relevant subject area)

### Assessment

40% Coursework 60% Exam

2 external set and marked exams; written assignment; development portfolio; project and research report

### Further Study

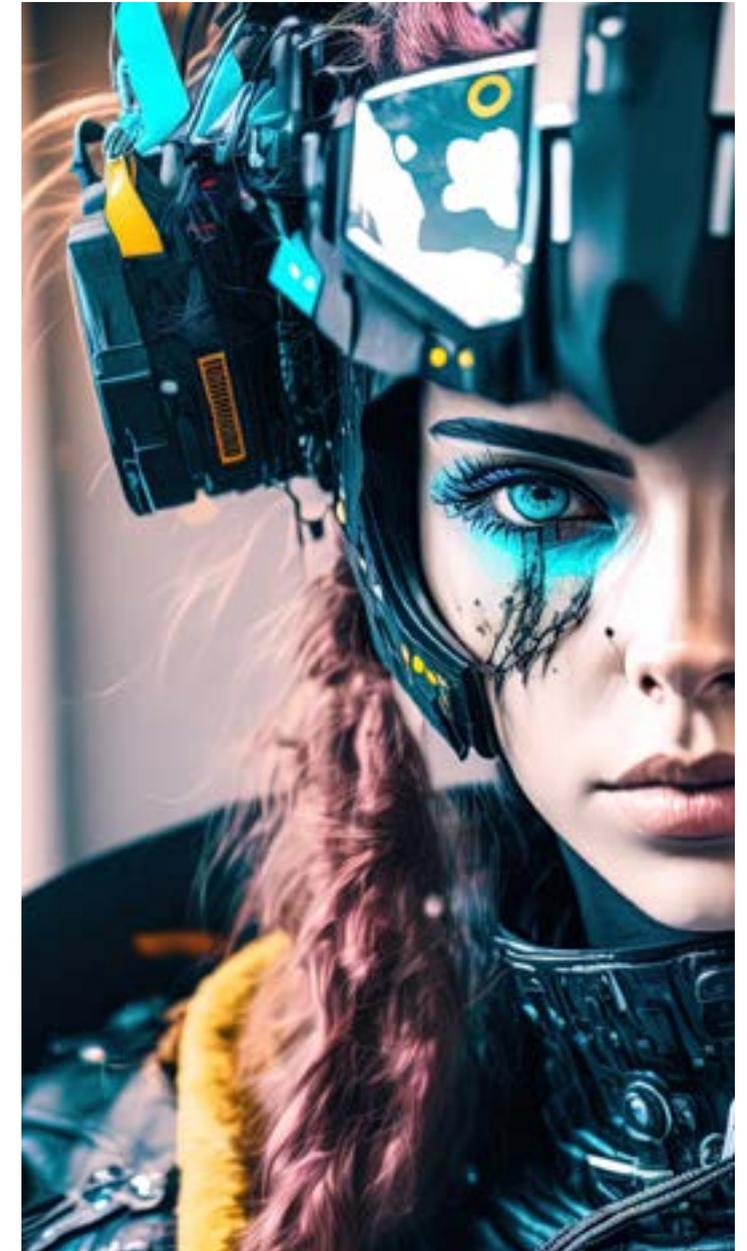
Students are well placed to go on to university as the extended diploma carries UCAS tariff points. Options include:

- HND Digital Design NWRC
- BDes Animation Ulster University
- BDes Games Design and Development
- BSc (Hons) Games Design and Development
- BSc (Hons) Computer Games Technology, University of Abertay
- BSc (Hons) Games Production Confetti Institute of Creative Technologies, Nottingham
- BA (Hons) Graphics for Games University of Bradford
- BSc (Hons) Film and Visual Effects Technology, University of Bradford
- BSc (Hons) Computer Games Design University of Stafford
- BSc (Hons) Computer Games Design Manchester Met University
- BSc (Hons) Games Design University of Bolton
- BA Games Design Brunel University
- BA The Art of Visual Effects Pearson Business School, London

### Your Future Career

Many students also progress onto higher level apprenticeships for example:

- Junior 2D Artists
- Digital Community Manager
- Assistant Technical Directors
- Digital Community Managers
- Junior VFX Artists





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Creative Digital Media Production

### Course Code

601/7470/5

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is focused on the skills and expertise needed to work in various aspects of the film and animation industries.

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 helps students 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 the voluntary sector.

Students will have the opportunity to work in state-of-the-art multimedia labs with industry production equipment. There will also be an opportunity to experience VR/AR technology as well as the latest Outside Broadcast Technology.

### Core Modules

- Specialist Subject Investigation
- Media Representations
- Pre Production Portfolio
- Media Campaigns
- Digital Media Skills
- Responding to a Commission

### Optional Modules

- Film Production
- Advertising Production
- Film Editing
- Multi Camera Techniques
- Single Camera
- Multicamera Techniques

- Factual Production
- Sound Production

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit

### Assessment

75% Coursework 25% Exam

Units are assessed through coursework assessments set by lecturers and one externally marked exam per semester

### Work Placement

Not compulsory

### Further Study

The course is 75% coursework and is equivalent to 3 'A' Levels, allowing you to progress to Higher Level study in Web and Multimedia Design, Media Studies, Animation and Media Production.

### Your Future Career

Careers in Animation, Film, Television, Marketing, Social Media



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma National Extended Diploma Creative Digital Media Production (Film & Television)

### Course Code

Extended Diploma: 601/7469/9

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is focused on the skills and expertise needed to work in various aspects of the film and television industries

This course is designed to help students become proficient in a range of media disciplines and afford them an opportunity to specialise at the end of the second year. It will prepare students for work in most aspects of the media industry. Students work on live client briefs as part of an in-house production company.

This course is valued by employers, as successful students possess practical experience and a qualification 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. Applicants may also be required to demonstrate basic practical and academic skills in a portfolio. The course is 75% coursework with four external exams, one at the end of each semester over two years.

### Core Modules

- Responding to a Commission
- Working in the Creative Media Industry
- Digital Media Skills
- Pre Production Portfolio
- Media Campaigns
- Media Representations
- Multi Camera Techniques
- Film Editing
- Ad Production
- Film Production

### Optional Modules

- Film Editing
- Sound Recording
- Ad Production
- Film Production Fiction
- Film Production Factual
- Multi Camera Techniques

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English. Interview also required.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit. Interview also required

### Assessment

75% Coursework 25% Exam

Units are assessed through coursework assessments set by lecturers and one externally marked exam per semester

### Work Placement

Although work experience is not part of the course, students have the opportunity to work on 'live' client briefs to ensure they are working to professional standards.

### Further Study

This qualification can be used to gain employment in the media profession or to facilitate entry to higher-level courses.

### Your Future Career

- Cameraperson
- Editor
- Director
- Producer
- Film Maker
- Sound Technician



## Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Film and Television

### Course Code

HNC: 610/1792/9  
HND: 610/1793/0

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Year (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

A highly respected course which aims to equip students with the knowledge and skills to progress to an undergraduate degree or find employment in the media industry.

The learning experience occurs in a fully equipped media suite with a high-spec TV studio with broadcast-quality camera equipment. We use the latest camera, sound and editing technology and focus on 'project-based learning, replicating the industry environment so that our students gain valuable experience, knowledge and skills.

Students have an opportunity to work alongside industry professionals and to find paid work during the lifetime of their course. We support aspiring creative talent to reach their potential in broadcast, film, TV, podcasting and content creation. Areas of study include; film and video editing, advanced film studies, film practices, personal professional development, multi camera production, collaborative project, principles of photography and sound production for moving image.

### Core Modules

- Unit A1: Concept and Development
- Advanced Film Production Studies
- Film Studies
- Professional Practice
- Creative Media Industries
- Film and Video Editing
- Individual Project
- Unit A2: Creative Project
- Unit B1: Personal Professional Development
- Unit B2: Professional Project
- Film Practices
- Personal Professional Development
- Collaborative Project (Pearson-set)

### Optional Modules

- Principles of Photography
- Sound Production for Moving Image
- Documentary
- Work Based Learning
- Videography
- Film Studies
- Multi Camera Production

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus GCSE (Grade C or above) in English. Interview also required.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade O5 or above) in English. Interview also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
Assessment is through a series of assignments including research modules, hands-on practical exercises and group projects. Units are interlinked to replicate "real world" scenarios and offer the opportunity for students to build a range of skills to maximise employment opportunities.

### Work Placement

Students have access to industry placements, masterclasses and special events.

### Further Study

Upon successful completion, students can progress onto the final 2 years of an Honours degree in film or media production in most UK universities . Or continue studies at NWRC to complete a Level 6 Top Up Degree in Creative Media Industries (pending approval).

### Your Future Career

Students can enter employment in a wide range of roles within the film industry. Careers include screenwriting, directing, producing, documentary filmmaking or cinematography.



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## Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Graphic Design

### Course Code

HNC: 610/1796/6  
HND: 610/1797/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC) 2 Year (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

The HND Graphic Design course provides an immersive experience across various design disciplines, equipping creative students with real-world skills tailored to evolving industry demands. Specialisms include Graphic Design, Illustration, Motion Design, Animation, Video Production, Web Design and more. The course features live briefs, providing hands-on experience in solving real design challenges and meeting client expectations. Students utilise industry-standard Adobe tools and emerging technologies to align with current practices. A strong emphasis is placed on developing a professional work ethic, fostering imagination and initiative.

Students gain expertise in content creation for marketing, social media advertising, promotions and campaigns. The intersection of design with live performance and conceptual art is also explored for a holistic approach to visual communication. Career preparation is a key focus, with students curating high-quality portfolios and showreels reflecting their individual styles.

### Core Modules

- Advanced Digital Design Studies
- Applied Collaborative Practice
- Contextual Studies
- Creative Industries Placement
- Techniques and Processes
- Screen-based Practices
- Digital Design Practices
- Professional Practice
- Professional Development
- Brand Professional Development
- Applied Practice Collaborative Project (Pearson Set)

- Individual Project (Pearson Set)

### Optional Modules

- Communication in Art and Design
- Visual Narratives
- Techniques and Processes
- Screen Based Practice
- Moving Image
- Conceptual Practice
- Creative Industries Placement
- Professional Practice

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus GCSE (Grade C or above) in English; Interview also required

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade O5 or above) in English. Interview also required

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
This course is 100% coursework based and has a main focus on portfolio development for style and quality. Students will work on tasks which match pass/merit/distinction outcomes for each unit. Eventually units will merge to create Major Projects in which students will begin to understand the nature of synergy between the areas of graphic design for print/Motion Design/Video Production and Web based applications. This structure lends itself to real world industry scenarios. Ideally the student will be working on live projects while being graded at the same time. Level 4 Units: Core Unit - Mandatory 1 Professional Development Core Unit - Mandatory 2 Contextual Studies Core Unit - Mandatory 3 Individual Project (Pearson-set) Core Unit - Mandatory 4 Techniques & Processes Specialist Unit - Mandatory Unit 12

Screen-based Practices Specialist Unit - Mandatory Unit 18 Digital Design Practices Optional Unit 28 Communication in Art & Design Optional Unit 31 Visual Narratives Level 5 Units: Core Unit - Mandatory 32 Professional Practice 15 5 Core Unit - Mandatory 33 Applied Practice Collaborative Project (Pearson-set) Specialist Unit - Mandatory Unit 41 Advanced Digital Design Studies Optional Unit 52 Moving Image Optional Unit 58 Creative Industries Placement Optional Unit 33 Conceptual Practice

### Work Placement

Work Placement is part of the wider programme of learning and aims to bridge the transition from college to employment. Work experience, as described in this brief, can take a variety of forms: shadowing professionals freelance operation (freelance job sourced individually or provided by the college) traditional placement (within a college company model or external company/business). The Work Placement portfolio may comprise one or more of the above types. This brief does not prescribe any one form of work experience and can combine the above categories; negotiation with unit staff is essential to help you decide on the best form of work experience related to your intended career pathway. As a professional, learning is a continuous and life-long process. Within the creative industries there is constant change in technology, materials, processes, legislation and practice. In order to remain up-to-date, it is necessary to recognise the potential of both

structured, classroom-based learning and the learning that is gained through professional activities in the studio, office, workshop or on-site. Whether through a traditional industry placement, a freelance opportunity or a simulated industry situation, it is important for students to recognise key industry structures and their related employment patterns and characteristics. Effective workplace learning requires both the application of a skillset and the implementation of appropriate attitudes and behaviours. The development of broader employability attributes and the recognition that transferrable skills are likely to generate and enhance employment opportunities within the creative industries. Work Placement provides a framework in which students have the opportunity to reflect upon and contextualise the learning that they gain from working within the industry. In coordination with tutors and an employer, students will define the scope, duration and content of their expected work-based learning experience. Throughout the period of their work-based learning experience, students will be expected to record their experience and reflect upon their own learning.

### Further Study

You can progress into any relevant degree programme at university or begin to explore employment opportunities in this creative field. Students can enter directly into year 2, and in some cases even into year 3 on relevant Degree courses at University.

### Your Future Career

Students can find their chosen pathways without having to guess what their future degree title will be \*Graphic Design \*Illustration \*Motion Design \*Video Production \*Animation \*UX/UI Design \*Digital Marketing/Advertising



## Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Journalism

### Course Code

HNC: 610/1800/4  
HND: 610/1801/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC) 2 Year (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Journalism is a creative, challenging and hugely exciting subject area. The Higher National Certificate/Diploma in Journalism allows students to go behind the scenes of their areas of interest. 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 with NWRC.

The course covers all the skills necessary for modern multi-platform and multimedia journalism including: TV, radio, photographic, print and online journalism. Teaching is centred at NWRC's state of the art media and journalism facility at the Strand Road campus. In Year 1, students will complete the HNC in Journalism before progressing to the HND in Year 2. Students are expected to contribute to NWRC's online news outlet, iNews as well as college radio output, 3CR. Areas to be studied include but are not confined to: New Technologies Journalism and Society Roles in Journalism Law and Ethics Journalism Practice Journalism Techniques Professional Practice Print/Online Journalism Radio Journalism Television Journalism Social Media Media and Culture Project Management

### Core Modules

- Unit A1: Concept and Development
- Unit A2: Creative Project
- Unit B1: Personal Professional

### Development

- Unit B2: Professional Project
- Journalism Practices
- Advanced Journalism Studies
- Creative Media Industries
- Individual Project
- Collaborative Project
- Digital Page Production
- Professional Practice
- Journalism and Society
- Personal Professional Development

### Optional Modules

- Investigative Journalism
- Social Media
- News and Editorial
- Radio Management
- Radio Production

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points + GCSE (Grade C or above) in English. Interview also required

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points + OLC (Grade O5 or above) in English. Interview also required

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Students undertake a range of practical assignments including contributing to the online college publication iNews and running the college radio station. In addition there are opportunities to cover live events in print, video and audio, to create podcasts and cover a range of topics in the wide area of journalism including news, sport, music, film, fashion and travel.

### Work Placement

Students undertake a work based learning module in the second year of the course.

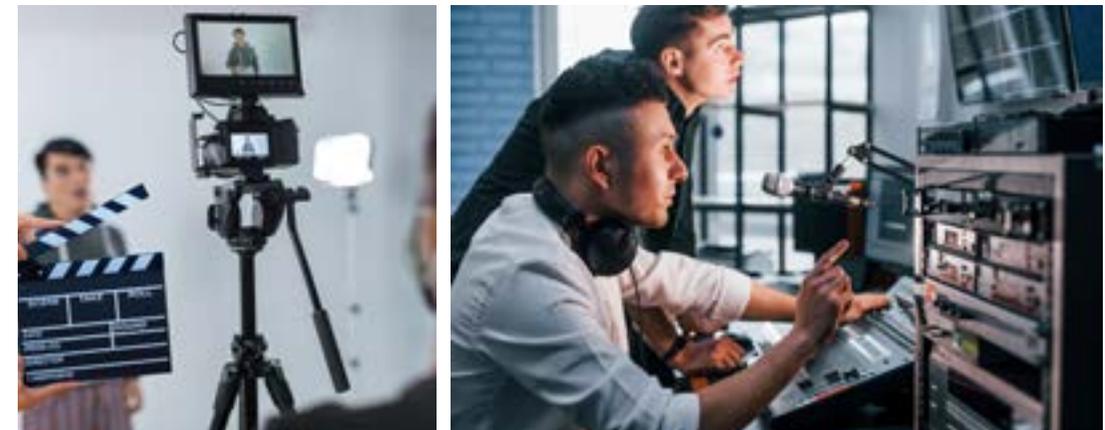
### Further Study

On completion of the HND Journalism qualification, students can progress to further Higher Education study, including possible entry to Year 2 undergraduate journalism degree courses at some universities. Students may also progress, depending on HND achievement, to the National Council for the Training of Journalists' Diploma in Journalism course which is delivered through North West Regional College.

BTEC Higher National qualifications are very well received by the journalism industry. They are designed to address an increasing need for high quality professional and technical education pathways at Levels 4 and 5, providing students with a clear line of sight to employment or progression to further higher education study.



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# Music



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## Career Paths

- › Singer / Musician
  - › Songwriter
  - › Composer
  - › Sound Technician
  - › Tour Manager
  - › DJ
  - › Studio Engineer
  - › Music Producer
- ...plus many more!*



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## RSL Level 2 Traineeship

# Music Practitioners (Technology)

**Course Code**

601/7992/2

**Campus**

Derry~Londonderry

**Study Mode**

Full-Time

**Length of Study**

1 Year

**Additional Fees**

Equipment: Headphones

**Awarding Body**

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

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**Non-Term Time**

Admissions Office  
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**Progression**

**Course Overview**

This course explores core components of music production such as recording, music sequencing, performance and DJing. Upon completion you should have acquired the experience and qualification required to be a suitable candidate for one of our level 3 courses in music production or music performance.

You will learn and develop technical and creative skills as well as insight into the workings of the modern music industry. Our facilities include sound proofed practice rooms, recording studios, apple mac suites, a 120 seat theatre and the latest DJ equipment. Assessment will be largely practical in nature with students taking part in various music production activities across the year.

**Core Modules**

- Music sequencing
- Sound reinforcement
- Lighting a music event
- Organising a music event
- Music style in context
- Careers in music
- Sound recording
- Improving instrumental performance
- Composing for media

**Optional Modules**

- Exploring Music Production
- Music Production
- Music Technology for Performance

**Entry Requirements**

**UK:** 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Math and English Grade E as a minimum plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths and English Grade O6 as a minimum plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

**Assessment**

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
Assessments are a mix of practical activities, projects and reports.

**Further Study**

Potential to progress onto one of our level 3 courses in music production or music performance (subject to interview/ audition).

**Your Future Career**

This course will provide you with an opportunity to gain a qualification and skills which can lead to working in the industry in a variety of careers. Past students are currently working as performers, studio producers, lecturers, live sound engineers, road managers, songwriters, composers, recording engineers, college technicians and session musicians.



## RSL Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma/ Extended Diploma

# Creative Music Industry (Performance)

**Course Code**

603/5396/X  
(Subsidiary Diploma)  
603/5398/3  
(Extended Diploma)

**Campus**

Derry~Londonderry

**Study Mode**

Full-Time

**Length of Study**

2 Years

**Awarding Body**

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

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**Progression**

**Course Overview**

If music is your passion, this exciting modern music course could enable you to pursue a career in the music industry. You will need to sing or play an instrument already. Our facilities include 120 seat theatre, practice rooms, recording studios and Apple Mac suites. Learn and develop technical skills and benefit from the knowledge and experience of tutors and technicians who are actively working in the music industry. Benefit from meeting like-minded peers, develop your musicality, creativity and learn new skills to prepare you for a career in the music industry. Previous students like ROE, Cherym, Elma Orkestra (and more) have gone on to be NI Music Prize winners.

Students have also 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 competition, and countless students have gone on to have successful careers working in all areas of the music industry.

**Core Modules**

- Performing Music Live
- Rehearsing music
- Collaborative project
- Listening to music
- Performing as a Session Musician
- Music Theory
- Practical Musicianship
- Performing Music for Recording
- Performing music to camera

**Entry Requirements**

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) or equivalent (e.g. Level 2 Diploma in Music) plus satisfactory standard

achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above); OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit, OR Level 2 Diploma in Music plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

**Assessment**

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Students produce a portfolio of practical work that is assessed. A wide range of assessment methods are used including things like practical performances, compositions, reports and projects.

**Work Placement**

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.

**Further Study**

Upon successful completion you may progress to higher level courses at NWRC such as our Open University Foundation degrees in Music Performance or Music & Live Event Production.

**Your Future Career**

This course will provide you with an opportunity to gain a qualification and skills which can lead to working in the industry in a variety of careers. Past students are currently working as performers, studio producers, lecturers, live sound engineers, road managers, songwriters, composers, recording engineers, college technicians and session musicians.



## RSL Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma/Extended Diploma Creative Music Industry (Production)\*

### Course Code

Subsidiary Diploma  
603/5396/X  
Extended Diploma  
603/5398/3

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



\*Subject to validation

### Course Overview

If you have a passion for music, but are more interested in working behind the scenes, then our production pathway is the course for you. You will have access to two studios, apple macs with industry standard software, practice rooms and a 120 seat theatre.

You will be given the opportunity to learn and develop technical and creative skills as well as knowledge and insight into the workings of the modern music industry. Lecturers are highly experienced practitioners who continue to work in the music industry. Assessments are practical and always related to current industry standards and practices. You will be encouraged to collaborate with your classmates and with students from the wider college community

### Core Modules

- Music Sequencing and Production
- Digital Recording and Production
- Composing for Media Destinations
- Practical Sound Reinforcement
- Studio sound mixing & mastering
- Producing a music video
- Performance Technology
- Listening to Music
- Working in the Music Industry
- Live Event Lighting
- Collaborative Project
- Filming live events
- Promoting live events
- Understanding the creative process

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) or equivalent (e.g. Level 2 Diploma in Music) plus satisfactory standard

achieved at mandatory interview.

: 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) or equivalent (e.g. Level 2 Diploma in Music) plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

A wide range of assessment methods are used including things like music production projects, observations of practical work, presentations and reports. By the end of the course students will have compiled a portfolio of practical work that will enhance their employment prospects.

### Further Study

This course will enable students to progress to higher level courses at NWRC such as our Open University foundation degree in Music & Live Event Production.

### Your Future Career

This course will provide you with an opportunity to gain a qualification and skills which can lead to working in the industry straight away. Our previous students have gone on to become Performers, Composers, DJs, Producers, Tour Managers, Promoters, Studio Engineers, Live Engineers, Lighting Engineers, Programmers, Artist Managers and much more.



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## Open University Level 4/5 Foundation Degree Modern Music (Music & Live Event Production)

### Course Code

Pending

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open University

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course offers a pathway into the dynamic world of the music industry. While the ability to play an instrument is not required, a keen ear for music and an interest in a broad spectrum of genres are essential. You will gain hands-on experience in music production, both in recording and live settings, and collaborate with musicians to create original works and complete live projects.

Additionally, the course covers the business aspects of the music industry. By the end of the program, you will have built a comprehensive portfolio and developed a personalised career plan. Our exceptional facilities include cutting-edge recording studios, practice rooms, Apple Mac creative suites equipped with the latest music software, and a purpose-built 120-seat theatre. Throughout the course, you will enhance your technical abilities and benefit from the expertise of industry-active tutors. Upon completion, you will be well-prepared to pursue a career in the music industry or continue your studies at a higher level.

### Core Modules

- Contextual Studies
- The Business of Music
- Live Event Production
- Studio Recording and Production
- Technology for Music Production
- Marketing a Music Product
- Work Based Learning
- Advanced Studio Production
- AV for Picture and Events

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS Points and GCSE English and Maths Grade C or above or equivalent plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview / audition.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS Points and OLC English and Maths Grade O4 or above or equivalent plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview / audition.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

The course is focused on practical project based learning assessed by 100% coursework.

### Further Study

Upon completion of the foundation degree students will be able to progress to the top up program at NWRC (subject to DFE approval) which will result in a full honours degree. Students also have the option to progress to top up at other universities or colleges.

### Your Future Career

This course gives a general grounding in all aspects of the music industry with the specialism in technical music production in the studio and for stage. Graduates will leave prepared for a career as a professional in the music industry.



## Open University Level 4/5 Foundation Degree Modern Music Performance

### Course Code

Pending

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open University

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
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Non-Term Time  
Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

If you have a passion for music, this dynamic course can open the door to a career in the music industry. You'll need to have the ability to play an instrument or sing. Throughout the course, you'll develop the skills essential for today's performers, including how to rehearse and perform at live gigs, maximize studio recording sessions, and navigate the business side of the industry. The program combines performance, theory, aural training, and composition with technology skills, offering a well-rounded learning experience.

Our outstanding facilities include rehearsal spaces, state-of-the-art recording studios, Apple Mac suites, and a 120-seat theatre. You'll have the opportunity to hone your technical skills and gain insights from industry-experienced tutors. Our alumni have achieved notable success, including winning first prizes in the MUSIC SKILLS NI inter-college competitions and earning Gold and Silver in the UK World Skills Popular Music competitions in recent years.

### Core Modules

- Work based Learning
- The Business of Music
- Contextual Studies
- Performance
- Tools for the Modern Songwriter
- Advanced Music Performance
- Composer Development
- Marketing a Music Product

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS Points and GCSE English and Maths Grade C or above or equivalent plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview / audition.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS Points and OLC English and Maths Grade O4 or above or equivalent plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview / audition.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

The course is assessed using project based learning. Most modules are a mixture of practical and theoretical elements and all modules are assessed via coursework assignments.

### Work Placement

Students will participate in the Work Based Learning module in the second year of the program.

### Further Study

Upon completion of the foundation degree students will be able to progress to the top up program at NWRC (subject to DFE approval) which will result in a full honours degree. Students also have the option to progress to top up at other universities or colleges.

### Your Future Career

The course provides invaluable experiences working in real life scenarios that will prepare graduates for work in the industry as session musicians, music producers, sound engineers, teachers, managers, composers and more.

# Performing Arts



SCAN TO VIEW PERFORMING ARTS COURSES



## Career Paths

- > Actor
  - > Dancer
  - > Theatre Director
  - > Choreographer
  - > Scriptwriter
  - > Set and Sound Designer
  - > Stage Manager
  - > Lighting Technician
- ...plus many more!*



# PERFORMING ARTS



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## RSL Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Creative and Performing Arts (Performing and Creating)

### Course Code

601/8616/1  
(Diploma)  
601/8617/3  
(Extended Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
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colin.ash@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This exciting course provides an exceptional opportunity for anyone drawn to the world of theatre. You will explore the back-stage and on-stage disciplines of theatre. With a strong emphasis on personal creativity, the course provides a unique view of performance and production.

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 practical classes. Based on the idea of repertory theatre, students undertake public performances and musical / dance showcases. Students have been prize winners in the Northern Ireland Inter College Performing Arts Competitions. The course is based in the Foyle Theatre complete with dressing rooms, costume store, stage craft and property workshops. AV equipment are of the highest professional standard.

Whether working back-stage or performing onstage, you will gain an invaluable insight into the world of theatre and develop professional skills in both public performance and technical support.

### Core Modules

- Performance Preparation
- Final Production
- Elizabethan or Jacobean theatre
- Planning for a Career in Creative and Performing Arts
- Costume design
- Acting through singing
- Stage management

- Voice over acting
- Dance Techniques and Performance
- Audition Techniques
- Musical Theatre Performance
- Acting for Camera
- Theatre in Education

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) or equivalent (e.g. Level 2 Diploma in Music) plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above); OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit or equivalent (e.g. level 2 diploma) plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Students produce a portfolio of practical work that is assessed. The focus of assessment is on practical work supported by evaluations, reports and presentations.

### Further Study

This course will develop your skills and insights to support potential progress to HND or university level in related fields.

### Your Future Career

This course will provide you with an opportunity to gain a qualification and skills which can lead to working in the industry in a variety of careers.





Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma HNC

## Performing Arts (general pathway) HND Performing Arts (acting pathway)

### Course Code

HNC:603/2377/2  
HND: 603/2377/2

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Year (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This dynamic, multi-disciplinary course offers a pathway to diverse careers both on stage and behind the scenes, including roles in community performing arts, broadcasting, dance, and professional theatre. Building on your prior qualifications and experience, the program enables you to enhance your skills in preparation for further studies at university level.

The course is taught in the state-of-the-art Foyle Building, which features a 120-seat theatre, dressing rooms, stage craft room, costume store, rehearsal rooms and recording studios. Lighting and sound equipment are of the highest professional standards. Students have the chance to participate in numerous public performances, gaining valuable experience both on stage and in offstage support roles.

### Core Modules

- Professional development
- The performing arts industry
- Creative research

### Optional Modules

- Sound Mixing
- Lighting
- Performance Project
- Choreography 2
- Auditioning
- Directing
- Acting 2
- Acting 1
- Acting for camera
- Choreography 1
- Stagecraft
- Musical theatre history in practice (singing/ acting)
- Dance for camera
- Physical theatre

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points equivalent plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
The assessment of the course is split between practical assessments, performances and written submissions; with an emphasis on project based learning.

### Further Study

Students can progress in to second year in a number of drama/ performing arts degree courses at UCLAN, Queens, UU and into third year at University of West of Scotland. Previous students have also progressed to further study at LAMDA, RADA, Royal Birmingham Conservatoire and Mountview.

### Your Future Career

Students can go on to work in a variety of areas within the arts including professional acting for stage and screen, backstage industries such as stage management, lighting, set and sound design and education.



# Science



SCAN TO VIEW  
SCIENCE COURSES



## Career Paths

- › Veterinary Nurse
  - › Forensic Scientist
  - › Dietitian
  - › Chemistry Teacher
  - › Pharmacist
  - › Geneticist
  - › Medical Lab Assistant
  - › Biochemist
- ...plus many more!*



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## City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma Veterinary Care Assistants

### Course Code

600/0106/9

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

City and Guilds

### Course Contact

Limavady:  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

If you are passionate about animals and their health and wellbeing then this is the course for you. The modern veterinary care service provider employs Veterinary Surgeons, Veterinary Nurses and Veterinary Care Assistants. This qualification is designed for those tasked with providing care to animals in a veterinary care environment under the direction and/or supervision of a Veterinary Surgeon. It is designed to provide practical competence and the underpinning knowledge that is relevant to the role of veterinary career in a modern veterinary practice while containing additional skills and knowledge which go beyond the scope of the National Occupational Standards. It provides a valuable alternative for those learners who do not have access to other qualifications.

### Core Modules

- Principles and Practices of Animal Handling and Care in the Veterinary Environment
- Principles and Practices of Assisting with Care in the Veterinary Environment
- Principles and Practices of Administrative Duties in the Veterinary Care Environment.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** No formal academic entry requirements. However, securing a work placement or being employed by a Veterinary Practice is a mandatory entry requirement for this course. An Unconditional Offer will not be issued until proof of placement/employment is provided.

**ROI:** No formal academic entry requirements. However, securing a work placement or being employed by a Veterinary Practice is a mandatory entry requirement for this course. An Unconditional Offer will not be issued

until proof of placement/employment is provided.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam  
The qualification will be assessed using the following methods: placement portfolio, practical skills observations and written coursework (reports, leaflets, case studies, diagrams, definition sheets, written tests, posters and log books)

### Work Placement

Over the course of the year, students will work in a veterinary setting, under the supervision of a fully qualified Veterinary Surgeon. Students will need to complete a minimum of 600 hours in a veterinary practice.

Securing a work placement or being employed by a Veterinary Practice is a mandatory entry requirement for this course. An Unconditional Offer will not be issued until proof of placement/employment is provided

Please note that while the Employer Liaison Officer can assist prospective students in finding a placement, it is ultimately the students responsibility to secure their own placement.

### Further Study

On completion of this qualification students could potentially progress into employment or to the following qualifications:

- VetSkill Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing at NWRC
- City & Guilds Level 2 and 3 Awards in Safe Use of Veterinary Medicines
- Other related Level 3 qualifications

### Your Future Career

These qualifications can help you to progress in your career as a veterinary care assistant.



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Foundation Diploma Applied Science (1 year fast track)

### Course Code

601/7438/9

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Unlock Your Future with a Fast Track Science A-Level alternative!

Are you looking for a flexible and efficient way to achieve an alternative to science A-levels? Look no further! Our one-year alternative course is designed to meet the needs of students who require a one-year qualification to top-up UCAS points or specific Science units for a streamlined progression to Higher Education.

### Why Choose Our Course?

- Flexibility** - This course is tailored to fit your unique learning style and schedule.
- Supportive Environment** - Ideal for students who need a more adaptable approach to education

Join us at NWRC Limavady and take the next step towards your academic and career goals. Don't let traditional routes hold you back – our one-year science A-Level alternative is here to help you succeed!

### Core Modules

- Principles and Applications of Science I
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques
- Science Investigation Skills
- Laboratory Techniques and their Application

### Optional Modules

Plus two optional units from a choice of Biology, Chemistry and Physics based units

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above)

including a Science subject, plus English and Maths; OR Leaving Cert Applied - (Merit) to include one Science elective module.

### Assessment

67% Coursework 33% Exam

Learners are assessed using a variety of styles to help them develop a broad range of transferable skills. The internal assessments afford learners opportunities to:

- write up the findings of their own research
- use case studies to explore complex or unfamiliar situations
- demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate equipment, procedures and techniques.

Internal assessment can also include observation of practical work as well as laboratory written reports, many with a strong focus on practical work and industry related knowledge. The two external assessments are based on practical skills, research development, knowledge and application across biology, chemistry, and physics contexts.

### Further Study

This 1-year course will enable students to achieve a maximum of 84 UCAS points and progress to higher education courses including the Foundation Degree in Applied and Medical Sciences offered at NWRC or University Degree courses.

### Your Future Career

This qualification provides a pathway to careers in Biomedical Science, Pharmaceutical Science, Chemical Engineering, Biochemistry, Paramedical Science, Physiotherapy, Podiatry and Occupational Therapy.



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# Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma / National Extended Diploma Applied Science

## Course Code

601/7437/7

## Campus

Derry~Londonderry

## Length of Study

2 Years

## Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

## Course Contact

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## Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

## Progression



## Course Overview

This fascinating course provides the equivalent of 3 A Levels and enables the exploration of laboratory and field techniques of the applied scientist. It will provide you with a wide range of essential knowledge, skills and practical techniques for the science sector or further study. Learners can exit at the end of Year 1, obtaining a National Foundation Diploma in Applied Science or progress onto Year 2, to achieve the National Extended Diploma in Applied Science.

The course has a strong focus on the application of theory to real-life industrial settings and will deepen your science knowledge, allowing the opportunity for progression pathways in employment and further study in a range of applied science areas. This course is combined of both external and internal assignments. There are opportunities for project development and to enter World Skills competitions. Learners should expect to attend classes delivered over 4 days per week.

## Core Modules

- Principles and Applications of Science I
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques
- Science Investigation Skills
- Laboratory Techniques and their Application
- Principles and Application of Science II
- Investigative Project
- Contemporary Issues in Science

## Optional Modules

Plus a combination of six optional units

## Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including a Science subject, English and Maths

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths; OR Leaving Cert Applied - (Merit) to include one Science elective module.

## Assessment

58% Coursework 42% Exam

Learners are assessed using a variety of styles to help them develop a broad range of transferable skills. The internal assessments afford learners opportunities to:

- write up the findings of their own research
- use case studies to explore complex or unfamiliar situations
- carry out projects for which they have choice over the direction and outcomes
- demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate equipment, procedures and techniques.

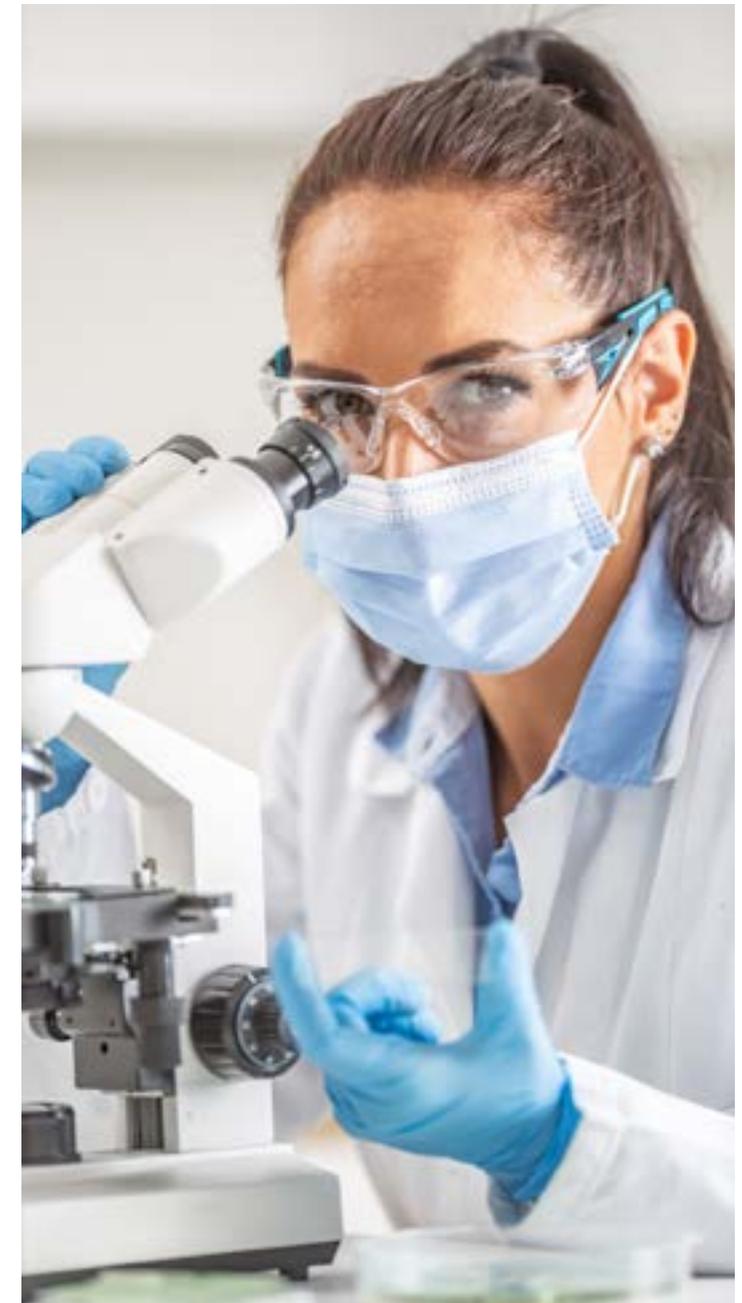
Internal assessment can also include observation of practical work as well as laboratory written reports, many with a strong focus on practical work and industry related knowledge. The external assessments (2 in year 1, 2 in year 2) are exams based on practical skills, research development, knowledge and application across biology, chemistry, and physics contexts on a par with traditional A-levels.

## Further Study

This course provides the equivalent of 3 A Levels. You can progress to a range of Higher Education courses such as the Ulster University Foundation Degree in Applied and Medical Sciences or onto BSc Hons or MSc degree programmes such as Forensic Science, Criminology, Analytical Chemistry, Biomedical Science, Veterinary Science, Radiography, Environmental Science, as well as traditional routes such as biology, chemistry and physics HE courses. The qualification carries UCAS points and is recognised by higher education providers as meeting, or contributing to, admission requirements for many relevant Science courses. It also provides the skills for direct route into employment within the science sector or higher level apprenticeships.

## Your Future Career

A qualification in applied science will help you to develop the understanding, knowledge and skills needed to work in a broad range of jobs in this industry. These could include Agricultural Research Scientist, Ambulance Paramedic, Analytical Scientist, Audiologist, Biochemist, Biologist, Biomedical Scientist, Chemical Engineer, Chemical Plant Process Operator, Dental Nurse, Food Scientist, Health and Safety Inspector, Laboratory Technician, Medical Laboratory Assistant, Occupational Therapist and Physiotherapist etc. Both the Science Council and the Royal Society of Chemistry endorse the course as a qualification that can lead to professional recognition as a registered science technician.



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma / National Extended Diploma Applied Science (Biomedical Science)

### Course Code

601/7437/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

If you have ever wondered how your body works and what happens when things go wrong then this is the course for you. This two-year qualification is equivalent to three A-Levels and provides an insight into working within biomedical science, microbiology, genetics and medical physics professions, alongside a focus on the application of biological concepts within industry. Learners can exit at the end of Year 1, obtaining a National Foundation Diploma in Applied Science or progress onto Year 2, to achieve the full National Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Biomedical Science). The qualification will help you develop the transferable and practical skills that are highly regarded by both HE and employers.

Within the course there are biomedical science units which allow an insight into this specialist area combining of optional modules (subject to change) opening doors into both employment and further study in a range of applied science areas. There are opportunities for project development and the potential to enter World Skills competitions. Learners should expect to attend classes delivered over 4 days per week.

### Core Modules

- Principles and Applications of Science I
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques
- Science Investigation Skills
- Laboratory Techniques and their Application
- Principles and Applications of Science II
- Investigative Project
- Contemporary Issues of Science

### Optional Modules

- Biological Molecules and Metabolic Pathways
- Genetics and Genetic Engineering
- Microbiology and Microbiological Techniques
- Biomedical Science
- Practical Chemical Analysis
- Physiology of Human Body Systems
- Diseases and Infection
- Medical Physics Applications

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths; OR Leaving Cert Applied - (Merit) to include one Science elective module.

### Assessment

58% Coursework 42% Exam

Learners are assessed using a variety of styles to help them develop a broad range of transferable skills. The internal assessments afford learners opportunities to:

- write up the findings of their own research
- use case studies to explore complex or unfamiliar situations
- carry out projects for which they have choice over the direction and outcomes
- demonstrate practical and technical skills using appropriate equipment, procedures and techniques.

Internal assessment can also include observation of practical work as well as laboratory written reports, many with a strong focus on practical work

and industry related knowledge. The external assessments (2 in year 1, 2 in year 2) are exams based on practical skills, research development, knowledge and application across biology, chemistry, and physics contexts on a par with traditional A-levels.

### Further Study

This course will provide an opportunity to progress to employment within the science industry or higher education courses, including the Foundation Degree in Applied and Medical Sciences course offered at NWRC or Honours Degree courses in Biological or Biomedical Sciences, Marine and Environmental Sciences, Pharmacology, Veterinary Science, Radiography, Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy among others.

### Your Future Career

A qualification in applied science will help you to develop the understanding, knowledge and skills needed to work in a broad range of jobs in this industry. These could include Agricultural Research Scientist, Ambulance Paramedic, Analytical Scientist, Audiologist, Biochemist, Biologist, Biomedical Scientist, Chemical Engineer, Chemical Plant Process Operator, Food Scientist, Health and Safety Inspector, Laboratory Technician, Medical Laboratory Assistant, Microbiologist, Occupational Therapist and Physiotherapist etc.

It is also recognised by both the Science Council and Royal Society of Chemistry as a course which will contribute to a professional qualification of RSciTech.





## VetSkill VTEC Level 3 Diploma Veterinary Nursing (Companion Animal)

### Course Code

610/1211/7

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

2.5 Years

### Awarding Body

VetSkill VTEC

### Course Contact

Limavady:

Gillian Morrow  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

If you have the ambition of becoming a Registered Veterinary Nurse then look no further than the VetSkill VTEC Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing (Companion Animal). This qualification will provide you with the practical competence and underpinning knowledge required to join the RCVS Register of Veterinary Nurses.

It has been designed to develop Veterinary Nurses with a holistic approach to their work, a passion for making a difference to the lives of animals, and a solid understanding of their professional responsibilities. It covers the following species: cat, dog, rabbit and guinea pig. The course is delivered by a team of highly skilled and experienced teaching staff who are occupationally knowledgeable and technically competent.

You will learn on the job, in the work environment, as well as in college. Embedded within this qualification is the content required for a Student Veterinary Nurse to become a Suitably Qualified Person (SQP) for Companion Animals.

### Core Modules

- Life Stage and Medical Nursing Care and Support
- Principles of Veterinary Nursing Care 1
- Pharmacology and Dispensary Management
- Anaesthesia and Theatre Nursing Skills
- Principles of Veterinary Nursing Care 2
- Surgical Nursing and Patient Care
- Practical Veterinary Nursing Skills 2
- Professional Veterinary Nursing responsibilities
- Diagnostic Principles

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Students must be at least 16 years of age and have a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grades A\*-C (or 9-4), including English Language, Mathematics and a Science subject to register as a Student Veterinary Nurse with the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) and start this programme. If you do not meet the GCSE requirement, there are alternative qualifications that may be acceptable, such as Level 2 Functional Skills in English and Maths being acceptable equivalents to GCSEs in English Language and Mathematics. Securing a placement or being employed at an RCVS approved training practice is a mandatory entry requirement for this course. An Unconditional Offer will not be issued until proof of placement/employment is provided.

**ROI:** Students must be at least 16 years of age and have a minimum of 5 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) including English Language, Mathematics and a Science subject to register as a Student Veterinary Nurse with the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) to start this programme. If you do not meet the OLC requirement, there are alternative qualifications that may be acceptable, such as Level 2 Functional Skills in English and Maths being acceptable equivalents to GCSEs in English Language and Mathematics. Securing a placement or being employed at an RCVS approved training practice is a mandatory entry requirement for this course. An Unconditional Offer will not be issued until proof of placement/employment is provided.

### Assessment

60% Coursework 40% Exam  
The qualification will be assessed using the following methods: completion of placement portfolio, written

assignments/case studies, multiple-choice online examinations, formative practical skills assessment, RCVS Day One Skills for Veterinary Nursing and OSCEs (Objective Structured Clinical Examinations).

### Work Placement

Over the course of two years, students will work in a veterinary setting, under the supervision of a fully qualified Veterinary Surgeon. Students must complete a minimum of 1800 hours in a veterinary practice.

Please note that while the Employer Liaison Officer can assist prospective students in finding a placement, it is ultimately the students responsibility to secure their own placement.

Securing a placement or being employed at an RCVS approved training practice is a mandatory entry requirement for this course. An Unconditional Offer will not be issued until proof of placement/employment is provided.

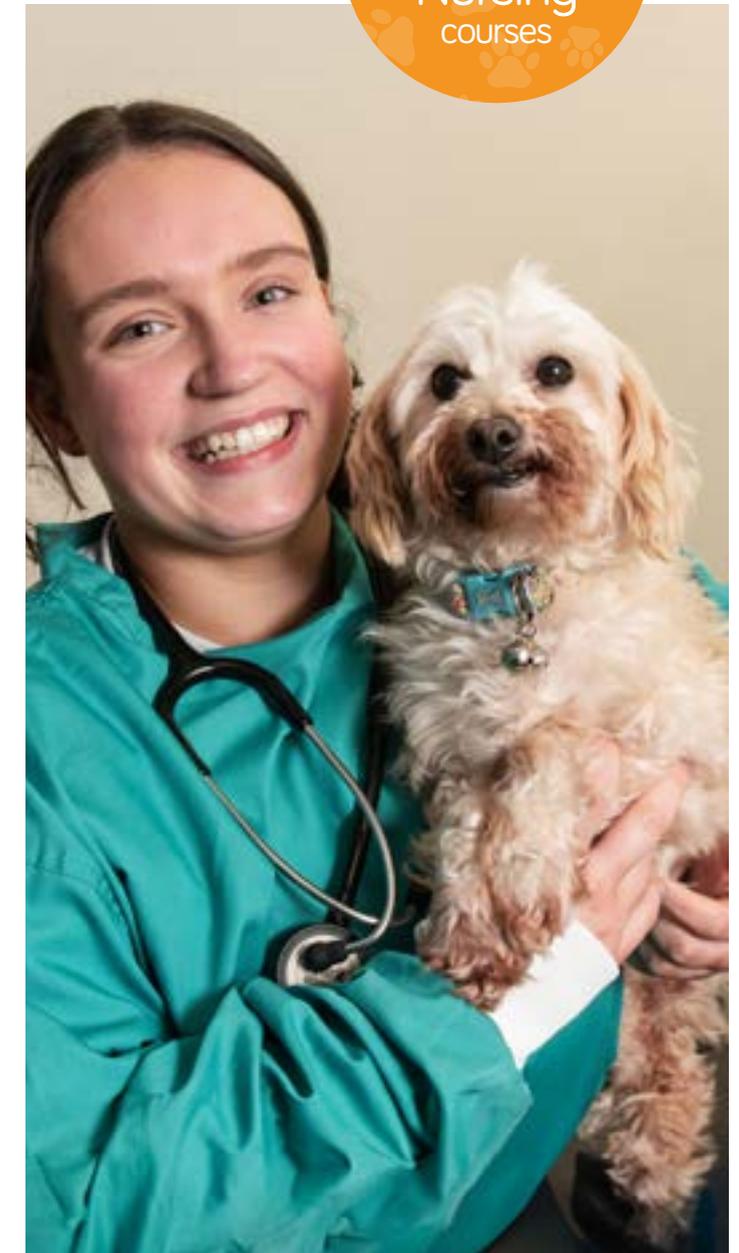
### Further Study

Students may progress onto other higher-level qualifications within the sector including the BSc Veterinary Nursing.

### Your Future Career

On completion of the VetSkill Level 3 Diploma in Veterinary Nursing, graduates may register with the RCVS as a Registered Veterinary Nurse (RVN). This allows students to progress directly into employment within the Veterinary Nursing Sector. Further career opportunities include working as Specialist Veterinary Nurse or Practice Managers.

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## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Applied Science (Bioscience)

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time and Part-Time

### Length of Study

2 years full time  
3 years part time

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This programme replaces the Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) in Applied and Medical Sciences. It aims to provide a vocationally relevant science education for those wishing to follow careers in a wide range of science disciplines; producing competent individuals to meet local, regional and national needs by providing a good mix of scientific theory along with the practical skills necessary for further study or employment within a range of science disciplines.

Through a varied and well-planned curriculum delivered by knowledgeable and supportive staff, knowledge and understanding is developed through lectures, practical classes, group discussion and independent research. Cognitive skills are developed through researching information, statistical analysis, effective communication, critical analysis, evaluation and self-evaluation. The programme is designed to be practical, therefore, applied skills are developed through laboratory classes and simulations. Transferable skills are crucial to your progression and employability.

This course aims to develop these skills through presentations, scientific writing, analysis and interpretation of results, group work, problem solving, research and critical evaluation; all of which will enhance personal development and career prospects.

### Core Modules

- Academic Skills & Statistics
- Chemistry and Biology for Bioscience
- Chemistry and Pharmacology
- Work Based Learning
- Cell Biology, Genetics & Molecular Biology
- Microbiology & Immunology
- Developing Skills for Industry - Laboratory Skills
- Physiology and Anatomy
- Biochemistry
- Analytical Methodologies
- Professional Practice and GxP

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points achieved through completion of A levels to include at least one science subject (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths, Health & Life Sciences or equivalent), BTEC National Awards (in a science related subject) or an Access Diploma (minimum grade 55%) and which contains an approved science module or other alternative approved level 3 qualifications. Applicants must have attained at least 15 points at Level 2 or above (e.g. GCSE) or have alternative approved qualifications. In addition, applicants must provide evidence of competence in written and spoken English Language. For entry to this programme, applicants should have attained a C grade in GCSE English language (or equivalent) and a C grade in GCSE Maths (or equivalent). Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) may be considered for entry. For more details visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply). Please note, all applicants to the programme will be required to attend an interview.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points consisting of passes in five approved subjects to include a minimum of 3 at Higher Level Leaving Cert (Pass grade D/H6), one of which should be in Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths or equivalent) and Ordinary Level Leaving Cert (Grade O4 or above) to include Maths and English. Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) may be considered for entry. For more details visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply). Please note, all applicants to the programme will be required to attend an interview.

### Assessment

60% Coursework 40% Exam

Lectures will be delivered face to face and you will be supported through hybrid learning. You will be assessed through class tests, oral presentations, individual and collaborative coursework assignments and examinations. A virtual learning environment will be used to support learning and all aspects of assessment. Assessment of Work Based Learning elements will also occur during the course.

### Work Placement

In your final year, you are required to secure a work placement and complete a work-based learning module which will consist of a total of 320 hours of placement – a great opportunity to boost your CV.

### Further Study

Students from this course can progress to a range of related degree programmes at Ulster University such as Year 3 of Biology, Year 2 of: MSci Pharmaceutical Biosciences; BSc (Hons) Applied Biomedical Science (DPP) (Pathology); BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science (DPP (Industry); BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science (FT & PT); BSc (Hons) Human Nutrition and BSc (Hons) Food & Nutrition; or can enter Year 1 of a wide range of degree courses. Progression to other Universities at various points of entry may also be possible.

### Your Future Career

After completing this programme, you may also explore employment opportunities in this field which could include; Laboratory Technician, Quality Control Analyst, Biotechnology Technician, Research Assistant, Environmental Health & Safety, Pharmaceutical Manufacturing, Pharmacy Technician, Dietetic Assistant, Cardiology Technician, Audiology Technician, and Assistant Grade Professionals.



# Sport & Fitness



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## Career Paths

- › Coach
  - › Personal Trainer
  - › Sport Massage Therapist
  - › Physiotherapist
  - › Emergency Services
  - › PE Teacher
  - › Sports Science
  - › Paramedic
- ...plus many more!*



# SPORT & FITNESS



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## OCN NI Level 2 Traineeship Sport

### Course Code

603/2566/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI (OCN NI)

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:  
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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

The Level 2 Traineeship in Sport is a programme designed to provide students with a qualification equivalent to at least 4 GCSEs. This traineeship offers an excellent foundation for those aspiring to further education or a career in the sports and leisure industry.

In addition to an OCN Level 2 in Sport the Traineeship programme consists of an OCN in Transversal Skills, Essential skills as well as a work placement. 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. The learning experience combines written coursework and practical activities, you will begin to develop knowledge and skills required for progression to higher level sports courses or employment in the sports and leisure industry. You will study several units across the programme including Anatomy, Coaching Sport, Fitness for Sport, Fitness Testing, Community Engagement as well as outdoor activities such as orienteering and canoeing.

### Core Modules

- Outdoor adventures
- Fitness for Sport and Exercise
- Lifestyle Improvement
- Plan and Deliver a Sports Activity Session
- Using Technology in Sport
- Sports Coaching
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Applied Fitness Testing
- OCN Level 2 in Transversal Skills

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs Grades A-G to include Maths Grade E and English Grade D as a minimum.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grades O1-O8 to include Maths at O6 and English Grade O5 as a minimum.

### Assessment

100% Coursework 0% Exam

Course is assessed entirely through coursework - no external exams.

### Work Placement

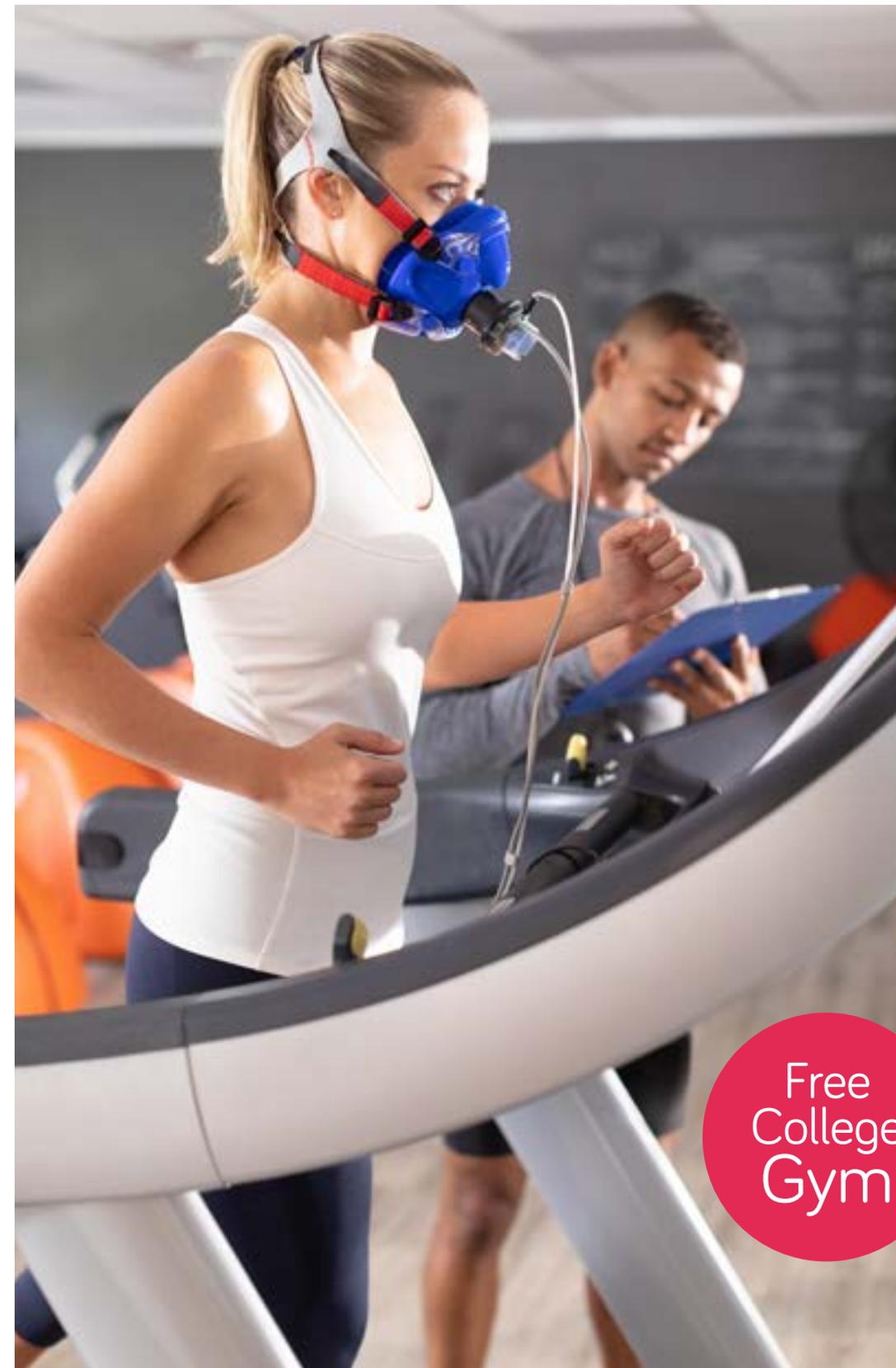
The Level 2 Traineeship in Sport has a compulsory work placement. Students will be required to complete at least 60hrs in a relevant work place e.g. Leisure Centre, Fitness centre.

### Further Study

Successful students can progress to any of our Level 3 Sport programmes i.e. Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport, Fitness and Personal Training, Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Exercise Sciences or L3 Extended Diploma in Uniformed Public Services. The course is an excellent progression pathway to our Level 3 programmes in Sport.

### Your Future Career

Successful students who gain extra qualifications to the Level 2 in Sport may wish to progress to employment. These extra qualifications include coaching awards through the College's Coach Education Programme and also the YMCA Level 2 Fitness Instructor and Level 3 Personal Trainer.



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## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Sport and Exercise Science

### Course Code

601/7422/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This comprehensive and well-regarded course prepares students for university study and careers in various sports-related fields, including sports therapy, sports nutrition, performance analysis, PE teaching, physiotherapy, sports injuries, and strength & conditioning. Equivalent to three A-Levels, it attracts UCAS points, facilitating progression to higher education.

The course is primarily assessed through coursework with some external examinations. Students gain hands-on experience in our Sports Science Lab, working with tools such as gas analysis, STATSport, GPS, Dartfish, and SPSS. They also have opportunities to collaborate with sports teams and athletes, earn industry-recognized qualifications, participate in college sports teams, and engage in international travel through the Turing project.

Our lecturers bring extensive industry expertise in areas such as sports analysis, massage and injury therapy, nutrition, and strength & conditioning.

This program is ideal for students seeking practical experience and a strong academic foundation in sports science and related fields.

### Core Modules

- Specialised Fitness Training
- Applied Sports Psychology
- Coaching for Performance & Fitness
- Functional Anatomy
- Applied Research Methods
- Sports Injury & Assessment
- Sports Nutrition
- Specialised Fitness Testing
- Sport and Exercise Physiology
- Field and Laboratory Based Fitness Testing
- Nutrition for Sport and Exercise Performance
- Sociocultural Issues in Sport and Exercise
- Applied Research Methods in Sport and Exercise Science
- Physical Activity for Individual and Group-based Exercise
- Applied Sport and Exercise Psychology
- Biomechanics in Sport and Exercise Science

### Entry Requirements

UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) OR Level 2 Diploma

ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above)  
OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit, OR Level 2 Diploma

### Assessment

70% Coursework 30% Exam

External assessments in Sport and Exercise Physiology, Functional Anatomy, Applied Sport and Exercise Psychology, and Nutrition for Sport and Exercise Performance

### Work Placement

In year 2 of the course, we offer the opportunity to complete an international project to a European country. Previous destinations included Malta, Italy and Spain.

### Further Study

This qualification enables progression to a variety of degree programmes including:

- BSc (Hons) Sport Studies, BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Sciences and BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy at Ulster University, Jordanstown;
- BSc (Hons) in Sport, Physical Activity and Health, and BSc (Hons) in Nursing at Ulster University, Magee.

Past students have progressed to our Level 5 Foundation Degree in Sport, Exercise and Fitness, 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 Sport and Exercise at Letterkenny Institute of Technology.

Alternatively, successful students who gain extra qualifications in addition to studying Level 3 Sport and Exercise Science may wish to progress to employment. These extra qualifications include coaching awards through the college's Coach Education Programme and also the YMCA Level 2 Fitness Instructor and Level 3 Personal Trainer.

### Your Future Career

Past students have gone on to successful careers as physiotherapists, PE teachers, nursing, occupational therapy, lecturers in sport, sport scientists, sport development officers, fitness club managers, sports therapists, performance analysts, coaches, health promotion officers and self-employment.

Check out our  
Jargon Buster

Confused by educational  
terms and phrases?

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## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Sports Coaching & Development

### Course Code

603/4933/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry or  
Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:

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Limavady:

Luke McCloskey  
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Luke.McCloskey@nwrc.ac.uk

Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification is designed for learners with a strong interest in practical, hands-on learning. Learners should have a genuine interest in sport, with a proven record of participation, volunteering, and/or coaching.

This course is perfect for anyone who loves sport and wants to learn how to coach, lead, and support others. You'll get hands-on experience planning and delivering coaching sessions, learn how athletes develop, and explore what it's like to work in the sports industry. It's a great pathway into coaching, PE, and sport development, or onto further study if you want to take your passion even further.

The course combines classroom-based teaching with practical experience, offering opportunities to gain industry-recognised qualifications such as First Aid, Safeguarding, Coaching, and Refereeing awards.

Learners will have access to industry technologies, e.g., STATS Sport and VEO. Learners will build confidence, teamwork, and communication skills. If you're thinking about becoming a coach, PE teacher, community sport development officer, or going into further study, this course gives you a solid stepping stone to take your passion to the next level.

### Core Modules

- Self-employment in Sport
- Practical Sports Application
- Organising Events
- Rules & Officiating in Sport
- School Sport Delivery
- Careers in Sport & Leisure
- Health, Wellbeing & Sport
- Developing Coaching Skills
- Sports Development

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSE's (Grade C or above) OR Level 2 Diploma. Learners should have a genuine interest in sport, with a proven record of participation, volunteering, and/or coaching.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs ( grade O5 or above) OR Leaving Certificate applied Merit grade OR NI Level 2 Diploma. Learners should have a genuine interest in sport, with a proven record of participation, volunteering, and/or coaching.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam

Learners are assessed through a variety of methods, including practical demonstrations, written assignments, presentations, and classroom-based tests.

### Work Placement

While there is no designated formal work placement, learners will have multiple opportunities to engage with local sports teams, clubs and schools. These experiences provide

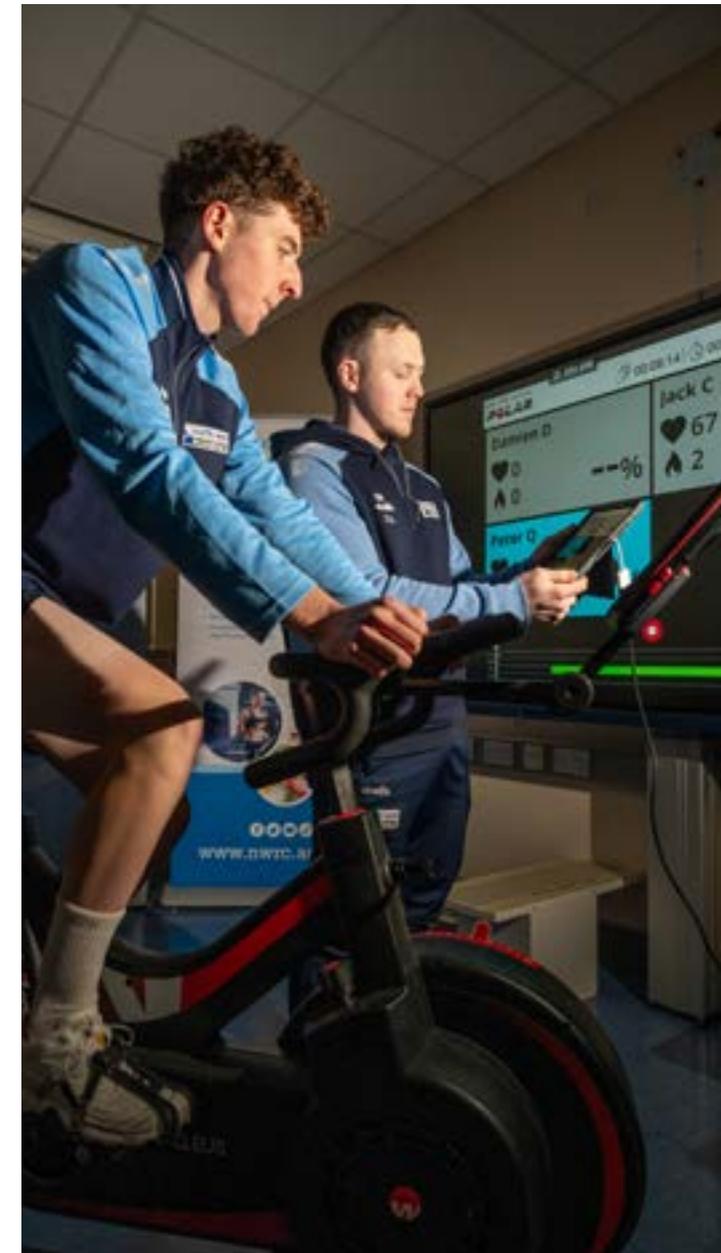
valuable practical exposure, allowing learners to develop their coaching skills, enhance their professional confidence, and gain meaningful insight into the sports industry.

### Further Study

Many learners progress to higher education, choosing to pursue degree programmes in sports coaching, physical education teaching, sport and exercise science, sports development, or strength and conditioning.

### Your Future Career

The BTEC Level 3 in Sports Coaching and Development offers a clear pathway to employment while also carrying UCAS Tariff points. Recognised by higher education providers, the course supports progression to degree programmes such as BA (Hons) Sports Coaching and Development or BA (Hons) Sports Management. Learners are advised to check specific entry requirements with individual universities.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma Uniformed Protective Services

### Course Code

603/5068/4

### Campus

Limavady

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course equips learners with the essential skills needed for careers in the uniformed services. It is particularly suited to those aspiring to join the Police, Fire, Ambulance, and Prison Services, the Armed Forces (Army, Navy, and RAF), HM Customs and Excise, or other emergency-related organizations.

Our Limavady campus is ideally situated, providing access to a variety of uniformed service providers, enhancing practical learning opportunities. The course is designed to prepare learners for employment in the uniformed public services sector, either directly upon qualification or as a pathway to Higher Education (HE) through university or college study.

Assessment is primarily based on internally set assignments, such as essays, reports, practical tasks, and role plays. There are also two external exams. The curriculum blends theoretical lessons with hands-on activities, including outdoor adventure training, fitness testing, and physical training sessions.

This program is ideal for those who want to develop the knowledge, skills, and experience needed to succeed in uniformed public service careers.

The course and teaching team is led by UK Pearson Silver Award winning lecturer Ivor Neill.

### Core Modules

- Physical Preparation, Health and Wellbeing
- Citizenship and Diversity
- Behaviour and Discipline in the Uniformed Services
- Global Affairs and the Media in Uniformed Services
- Government and the Protective Services
- Planning for and Responding to Emergency Incidents
- Teamwork, Leadership and Communication in the Uniformed Protective Services

### Optional Modules

- Skills for Outdoor Activities
- Expedition Skills
- Developing Personal Fitness programmes
- Principles of Managing Security Threats
- Introduction to Criminology

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSE's (Grade C or above) OR Level 2 Diploma

**ROI:** 4 OLC (Grade O5 or above) OR Leaving Certificate applied – Merit OR Level 2 Diploma

### Assessment

80% Coursework 20% Exam

The course includes both external assessments and internally graded assignments. Some elements of external assessments are coursework based.

### Work Placement

In year 2 of the course, we offer the opportunity to complete an international project to a European country. Previous destinations included Malta and Malaga.

Throughout the course you will also get the opportunity to complete your Emergency First Aid qualification, and engage in Outdoor Adventure expeditions, and day trips.

### Further Study

The course provides a well-established route into a variety of specialist degree courses such as Public Services and Criminology, Criminal Justice, Policing and Investigation, Law and Social Sciences, Sociology, Politics and International Relations, Social Work or Social Policy, Emergency and Security Services.

### Your Future Career

Potential careers include work in the public services, for example the police, coast guard, fire service, social work, ambulance service, and armed forces.





## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Sport, Coaching and Fitness

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Study Mode

Full-Time

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Kits: £50 approx

Books: £50 approx

Other: Optional Industry Qualifications

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry:

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### Non-Term Time

Admissions Office

(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Careers in sports science or sports therapy require a strong educational foundation and practical experience. Our Foundation Degree in Sport, in partnership with Ulster University, offers two pathways\*: Sports Therapy and Sports Science.

The Sports Science pathway is designed with industry standards in mind. Successful students will gain the skills and knowledge essential for success in this field. The Sports Therapy pathway has been developed to address the growing demand for qualified professionals in sports therapy and rehabilitation. This programme prepares students for advanced study and equips them for employment opportunities, including a professional industry qualification in Sports Massage.\*\* Students will benefit from a blend of theoretical knowledge and practical skills.

Assessment methods include practical sessions, written assignments, and exams. Additionally, students have opportunities to pursue coaching and sport-related qualifications, which may incur a small fee. These qualifications enhance employability and provide a competitive edge in the job market. More optional modules have been added to the programme, further strengthening our partnership with Ulster University and significantly enhancing potential employment opportunities for students.

\*Subject to enrolment.

\*\*Subject to approval.

### Core Modules

- Sport Psychology
- Fundamental Skills in Laboratory Testing
- Work Based Learning
- Principles of Teaching and Coaching
- The Professional Fitness Environment
- Sports Analysis
- Sports Nutrition
- Research Methods
- Strength & Conditioning
- Anatomy & Physiology

### Optional Modules

- Introduction to Sports Massage
- Movement Analysis and Corrective Exercise
- Applied Sports Therapy
- Small Business Enterprise
- Analysis for Sports Performance
- Sport Psychology
- Fundamental Skills in Laboratory Testing
- Sports Nutrition
- Strength & Conditioning

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Applicants must satisfy the University's general entry requirements as set out in the prospectus AND 48 UCAS points, plus GCSE at Grade C in English Language and Mathematics, or equivalent. Attendance at an information session is required. Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) may apply for entry (visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply) for details). The initial offer standard may vary from year to year.

ROI: Applicants must satisfy the University's general entry requirements as set out in the

prospectus. AND 48 UCAS Points, plus OLC (Grade O4 or above) in English and Maths. NOTE: GCSE Maths Grade C or above is required for progression to top-up degrees at Ulster University. Attendance at an information session is required. Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) may apply for entry (visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply) for details). The initial offer standard may vary from year to year.

### Assessment

90%% Coursework 10%% Exam

Examination accounts for 40% of units Anatomy and Physiology (Year 1) and Sports Nutrition (Year 2). All other assessment is via coursework.

### Work Placement

During Year 2 of the programme, students will undertake a minimum of 240 hours of work placement as part of the Work-Based Learning module. This can take place in a variety of sport settings.

### Further Study

The Sports Science pathway is structured around a flexible 'two plus two' or two plus one model, allowing students to achieve advanced entry into various degree programs at Ulster University. Upon completion, students can apply for Year 2 of the BSc (Hons) Sport & Exercise Science, BSc (Hons) Sport, Physical Activity and Health, or BSc (Hons) Sports Studies. Alternatively, they may qualify for Year 3 of the BSc Sports Coaching programme. You can also progress to Year 3 of the BSc (Hons) in Sport and Exercise

at ATU Donegal or one year top-up degrees in UK universities.

### Your Future Career

On completion, students can apply for employment opportunities within a wide range of sports industries including Sports Development, Sports Coaching, Public Sector health and wellbeing. On achievement of relevant industry qualifications, students could gain employment in the area of sports rehabilitation, sports therapy, or sports injuries.



# YOUR APPLICATION



# 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.**

Please note, we operate a first come, first served application process, so apply today!

## Need help with your application?

Applying for a course at NWRC is easy. Our Admissions and Student Services teams are available to guide you through the application process. If you would like help completing your application, contact **028 7127 6045**.

If you experience technical issues while completing your online application or require an alternative format, please contact our Admissions Team on **028 7127 6000** or email **admissions@nwrc.ac.uk**.

## Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL)

APEL is a process through which the learning you have gained from experience can be counted towards entry onto courses. For more information about the APEL process see page 36 or visit **nwrc.ac.uk/policies**.

## International Students

The College welcomes applications from international students. Find out more: **nwrc.ac.uk/international**

## Terms and Conditions

Students are required to comply with the College's Terms and Conditions. It is important to review these terms carefully and fully understand them before applying or accepting your offer. We will provide guidance regarding confidentiality and the permissions required to use or share personal / sensitive information.

Find out more: **nwrc.ac.uk/terms**

 Find out more: **nwrc.ac.uk/apply**

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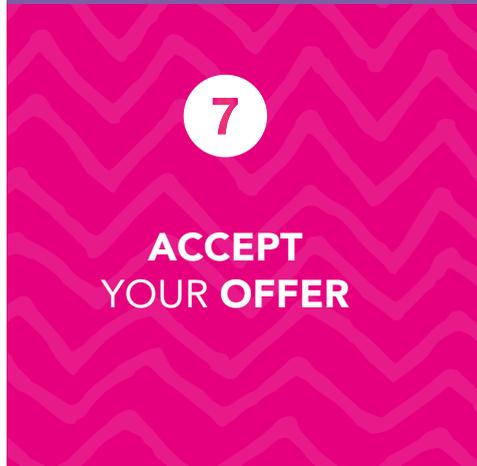
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*\*IF APPLICABLE*



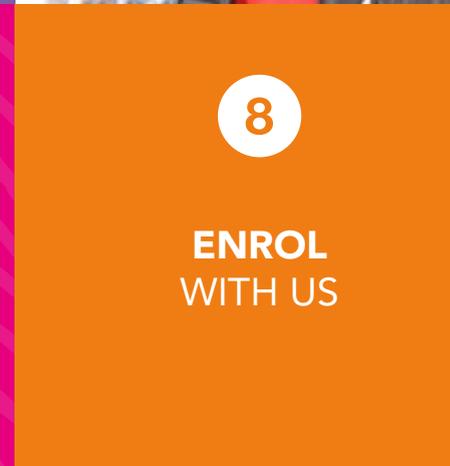
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**ACCEPT  
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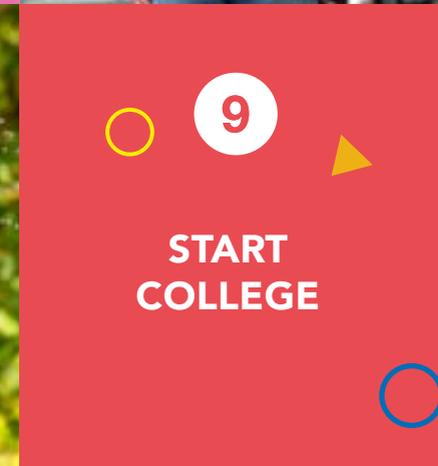
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**START  
COLLEGE**



# Your Courses Explained

We offer a wide range of Full-Time accredited courses from Level 1 to Level 6 (Undergraduate) which combine practical hands-on learning with supporting theory and knowledge.

**Please note:** Entry criteria for some courses may be enhanced where courses are over-subscribed.

Course	Description	Entry Requirements	Progression		
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<b>Level 6</b> Top up Degree  1 Year Full-time 2 Years Part-time	A Level 6 qualification in Northern Ireland is equivalent to a Bachelor's Degree with Honours (BA/BSc Hons etc), designed to provide a high level of expertise, analytical skills, and a thorough understanding of a specific field.	Entry criteria may vary - check specific course information in this guide or online: <a href="http://nwrc.ac.uk/fulltime">nwrc.ac.uk/fulltime</a>		✓	✓
<b>Level 5</b> Foundation Degree  2 years	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 often move straight into second or final year of a related Degree at university.	Entry criteria may vary - check specific course information in this guide or online: <a href="http://nwrc.ac.uk/fulltime">nwrc.ac.uk/fulltime</a>		✓	✓
<b>Level 5</b> Higher National Diploma (HND)  2 years	Both the HND and HNC courses will combine practical skills, work experience and academic study to gain a vocational qualification that leads to work or second or third year at university.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>See entry points opposite</li> <li>Check specific course information in this guide or online.</li> </ul>		✓	✓
<b>Level 4</b> Higher National Certificate (HNC)  1 year					
<b>Level 3</b> Diploma or Extended Diploma  2 years	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 study.  You can progress onto a HND/C or Foundation Degree at our College or move directly onto a course at University.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 or more GCSEs (Grade C or above)</li> <li>4 Ordinary Leaving Cert Passes (O5 or above)</li> <li>Leaving Certificate Applied (Merit / Distinction)</li> <li>Level 2 Diploma (Merit)</li> <li>NVQ Level 2</li> <li>OCR Qualification</li> <li>City &amp; Guilds Qualification</li> </ul>	✓	✓	✓
<b>Level 3</b> Access (Adult Learning)  1 year	Designed for adult learners who wish to enhance their qualifications in preparation for higher level study. Access courses are Level 3 qualifications which are equivalent to A-Level.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Out of Full-Time Education for two years</li> <li>Not studied a similar level course for 5 years</li> <li>Aged 19 or over</li> <li>Interview usually required</li> </ul>	✓	✓	✓
<b>Level 2</b> Diploma  1 year	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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Entry criteria may vary - check specific course information in this guide or online</li> <li>May require relevant NVQ or City &amp; Guilds Level 1 qualification</li> <li>Aptitude test</li> </ul>	✓	✓	
<b>Level 2-4</b> NVQ  <b>Level 1-2</b> NVQ  1 or 2 years	Undertake practical, work related tasks designed to help you develop the skills and knowledge to do a particular job effectively. Level 1 - Junior Cert / Cycle qualifications may be considered for entry to Level 2 courses depending on grades achieved.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>NVQ Levels 2 - 4 or equivalent</li> </ul>	✓	✓	

PROGRESSION KEY: 📖 Higher level study   £ Employment   🎓 University

# UCAS Tariff Points Conversion

**UCAS Destinations**  
 Our graduates progress to universities throughout the United Kingdom. To view our Class of 2024 university destination map visit: [nwrc.ac.uk/careers](http://nwrc.ac.uk/careers).

## UK Qualifications

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma		BTEC Level 3 Diploma		Access Diploma		A Levels	
Grade Profile	UCAS Tariff Points	Grade Profile	UCAS Tariff Points	% Pass Grade	UCAS Tariff Points	Grade	UCAS Tariff Points
D*D*D*	168	D*D*	112	75+	144	A*	56
D*D*D	160	D*D	104	70 - 74	132	A	48
D*DD	152	D D	96	65 - 69	120	B	40
DDD	144	DM	80	60 - 64	108	C	32
DDM	128	MM	64	55 - 59	96	D	24
DMM	112	PM	48	50 - 54	84	E	16
MMM	96	PP	32	45 - 49	72	-	-
MMP	80	-	-	41 - 44	60	-	-
MPP	64	-	-	40	48	-	-
PPP	48	-	-	-	-	-	-

**KEY:** D = Distinction M = Merit P = Pass

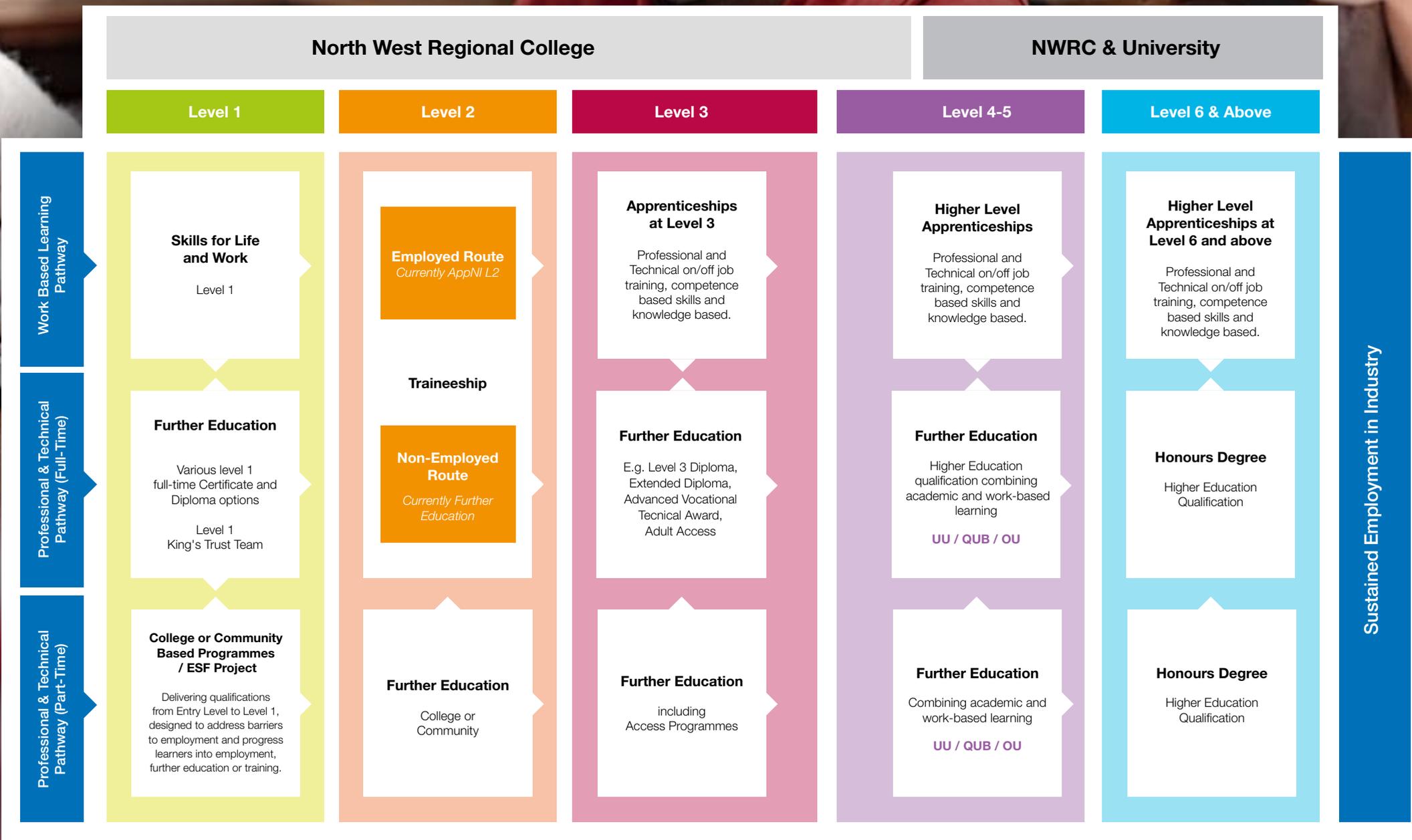
**NOTE:** It is up to the individual applicant to check tariff points equivalency with the HE institutions they are applying to.

## ROI Qualifications

Irish Leaving Certificate (Higher and Ordinary) UCAS and CAO points					
2017 New Tariff at Higher	UCAS Points [Higher]	CAO Points [Higher]	2017 New Tariff at Ordinary	UCAS Points [Ordinary]	CAO Points [Ordinary]
H1	36	100	-	-	-
H2	30	88	-	-	-
H3	24	77	-	-	-
H4	18	66	-	-	-
H5	12	56	01	12	56
H6	9	46	02	10	46
H7	-	37	03	8	46
H8	-	-	04	6	37
-	-	-	05	-	-
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For more information on course entry requirements or to view ILC equivalences prior to 2017, contact our Careers Academy: [careers@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:careers@nwrc.ac.uk)

# Progression Pathways



See page 68 for an overview of Traineeships

# Jargon Buster

## Confused by the education terms and phrases you have come across? If so, use our jargon buster to find out what they mean.

### Access Diploma

Level 3 qualification designed for adult learners (aged 19+) to provide opportunities to make a successful return to education. Can enable successful progression onto higher education at university, or directly into employment. Available on a full-time or part-time basis.

### Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL)

APEL is a process through which the learning you have gained from work experience can be counted towards entry onto a course.

### Advanced Vocational Technical Award

The Advanced Technical Award is the gold standard in Level 3 vocational education and training, and will equip you with the skills and qualifications necessary to embark on a career or progress to higher education and apprenticeships, including degree level apprenticeships.

### Apprenticeships

Open to everyone aged 16+. Apprentices mix on-the-job training with classroom learning, providing you with the skills you need for your chosen career. Apprentices work with an employer and earn a wage while learning.

### Associate Student Status

When you enrol on a higher education course validated by a University you will be granted 'Associate Student' status with that provider. This gives you access to a wide range of resources and facilities, designed to enhance your learning experience.

### Award / Certificate / Diploma

A term relating to the size of a qualification which depends on how in-depth the qualification is and the number of units you are required to study. Diplomas are the largest with the most units. Certificates are in-between and Awards are the smallest with the fewest units to complete. All three types of qualification can be studied at different levels.

### Awarding Body

A corporate body with the legal authority to award academic qualifications. 'City & Guilds' would be an example of an Awarding Body.

### Bursary

A financial grant you apply for to help with tuition fees or living costs.

### BTEC

A vocational qualification that provides specialist, work-related learning in a range of sectors. BTEC qualifications are equivalent to A-Levels and can lead to further studies, employment and progression to Higher Education.

### Campus

This refers to the grounds and buildings a College or University is located. NWRC has five different campus sites which are Strand Road, Limavady, Strabane, Springtown and Greystone.

### Careers Education

The delivery of bespoke programmes and interactive workshops that are embedded into the curriculum with the aim of enhancing your transferable skills.

### Conditional Offer

An offer of a place on your selected course as long as you meet the entry requirements of the course.

### Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)

EMA is a fortnightly payment for students aged 16-19 who decide to remain in education after completing their GCSEs. Payment is dependent on attendance.

### King's Trust

A free 12-week personal development and team building course. It enables young people to develop their personal skills through a series of projects and challenges.

### Turing Scheme

A global funded programme which offers students the opportunity to train and study abroad.

### Foundation Degree

A Level 5 qualification, which combines college study with work-based learning. After completing a Foundation Degree you can usually progress directly into year two or final year of a Level 6 degree programme at university.

### Further Education (FE)

Non-compulsory education taken after school-leaving age. Usually used to describe education between school and higher education (university). This includes GCSEs, A-Levels, Apprenticeships and vocational training.

### Graduate

Someone who has successfully completed a Higher Education course (Level 4 or above) and received their qualification.

### Graduation

A celebration ceremony for graduates.

### Higher Education (HE)

Qualifications at Level 4 to 6. This includes Higher National Certificates (HNCs), Higher National Diplomas (HNDs), Foundation Degrees and Honours Degrees.

### Higher Level Apprenticeship (HLA)

A work-based programme, which offers the opportunity to gain quality training and a recognised higher level qualification while in paid employment. Upon completion, you will have gained a Foundation Degree and two to three years of industry experience.

### Higher National Certificate (HNC)

A Level 4 qualification that is equivalent to the first year of a degree course. After completing a HNC, you can progress to a Higher National Diploma (HND).

### Higher National Diploma (HND)

A Level 5 qualification that is equivalent to the second year of a degree course. HNDs are work-related courses provided by further and higher education colleges.

After completing a HND you can progress to University to complete your degree or move into employment.

### Irish Level Certificate (ILC)

The Leaving Certificate Examinations, this is commonly known as Ordinary Leaving Cert or Higher Leaving Cert. commonly referred to as the Leaving Cert, is the final examination in the Irish secondary school system.

### Learning Support

The term used to describe the provision of resources, strategies and practices that provide physical and / or mental support intended to enable all students to have an equal opportunity for success at the College.

It does this by addressing barriers to and promoting engagement in learning and teaching.

### Lecture

A lesson delivered by an academic member of staff, to a large amount of students. Students are expected to take notes and digest the information in their own time.

### Levels

The Level of a qualification indicates its difficulty. GCSEs at Grade A\*-C are Level 2. A-Levels are at Level 3. HNCs are Level 4. HNDs and Foundation Degrees are Level 5 and an Honours Degree is Level 6.

### Modules (Units)

Each course is made up of a number of modules (units). Some are compulsory (core), while others are optional.

### Reasonable Adjustments

Action taken by the College to ensure that the playing field is levelled for students with disabilities and/or learning difficulties, where practicable and reasonable.

### Safeguarding

The process of taking action to protect children and vulnerable adults from harm. Our dedicated safeguarding team promotes the awareness of safeguarding issues and provides support to students, families and staff.

### Support Worker

Provides additional support to students with a disability, personal care needs, behavioural or mental health needs, to ensure they gain equal access to the curriculum and services available at the College.

### Traineeship

A Traineeship is a Level 2 vocational education and training programme aimed at school leavers who wish to progress to work in a specific sector. Traineeships have been developed alongside employers to ensure that students learn the skills required for the workplace.

### UCAS

University and Colleges Admissions Services (UCAS) is the organisation that processes applications for entry to higher education at College or University.

### UCAS Tariff Points

A means of allocating points to post GCSE (Level 2) qualifications. It is based on a simple mathematical model, which uses a qualification size and grading scale to generate a total number of points.



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If the College discontinues any course, we will use reasonable endeavours to provide a suitable alternative. Please note that for some courses residential criteria may apply.

In the event of a pandemic, the College may have to implement restrictions in respect of your study or effect a temporary College closure. Please be assured, in such instances NWRC will follow government advice and will make appropriate reasonable adjustments to maintain the ongoing quality of teaching and support for all of our students. In line with the Consumer Rights Act 2015, you will be notified of any such changes, the reasons for the changes and any options available to you to avoid such changes having an adverse impact on your future career and financial prospects.

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