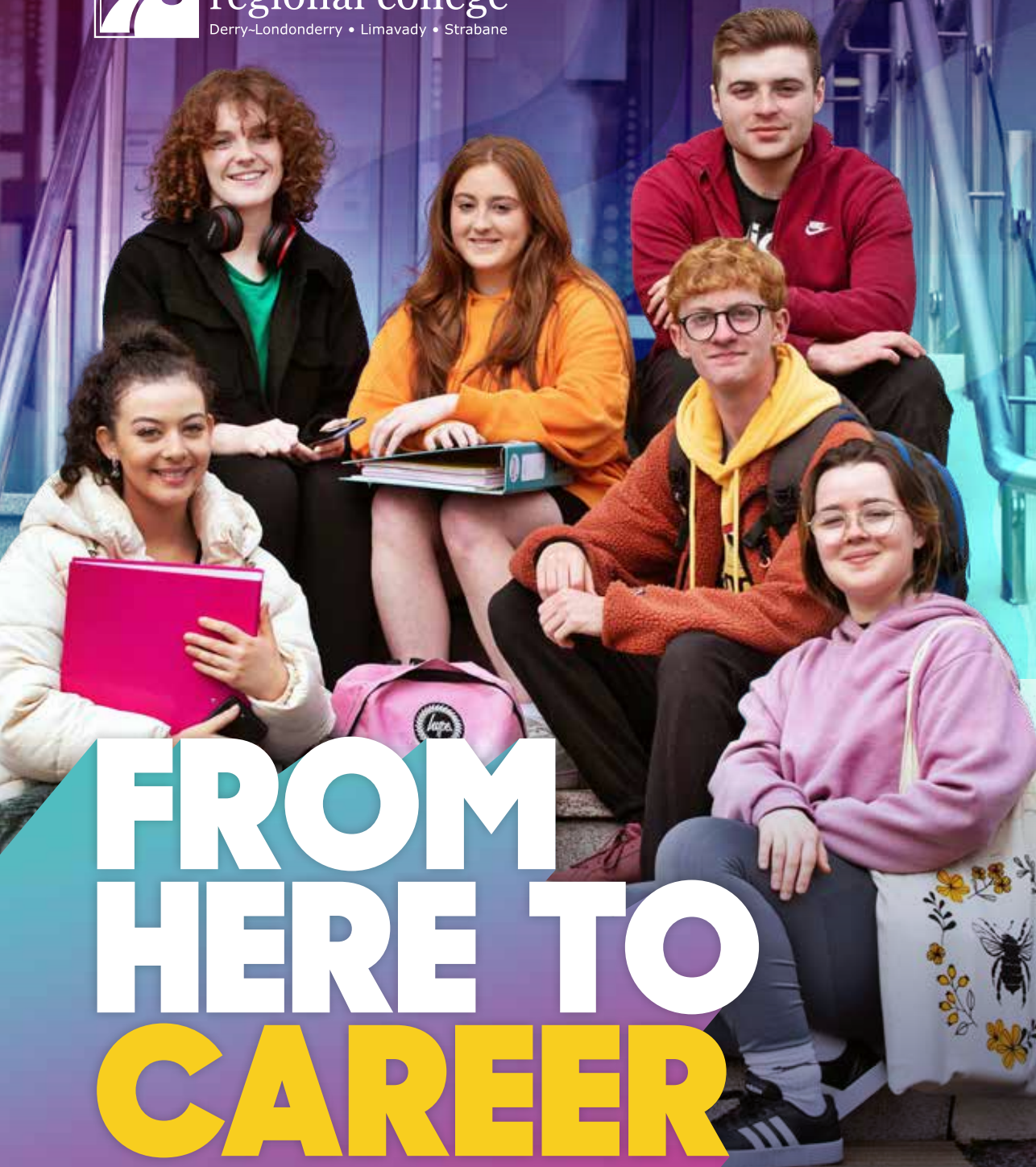




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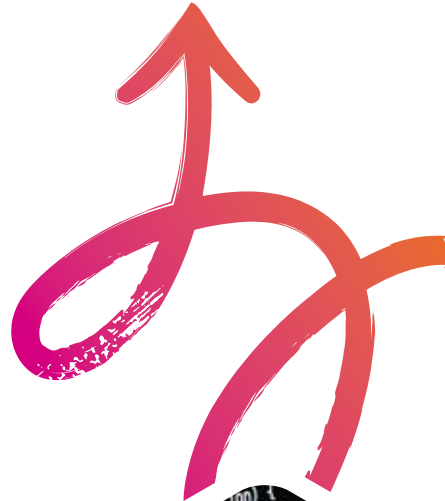
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# GET THE SKILLS EMPLOYERS WANT.

The courses we offer are in demand by employers and are aligned to Northern Ireland's Skills Strategy.

These are the skills which will be essential in securing your future employment and to help you succeed in your chosen career. Many of our courses feature practical work experience opportunities, meaning future employers will look favourably on your CV and future job applications.



# SUBJECTS IN DEMAND

Below are the 'Skills in Demand' career areas we will offer across our College from September 2023.

More people needed with Degrees, Foundation Degrees and Higher Level Apprenticeships in:

Science & Mathematics	Creative, Arts & Design	Health, Public Services & Care	Information & Communication Technology
Engineering & Technology	Construction, Planning & the Built Environment	Business & Financial Studies	Education & Training







# STEP TOWARDS A BRIGHTER FUTURE.

At NWRC you will be a part of a vibrant student community from every walk of life. This is where your future begins.



Course programmes  
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# Principal's Welcome



“ At North West Regional College we are passionate about your success. ”

## North West Regional College is a vibrant, 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.

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 need, and also enable you to participate in an enriching and inclusive environment.

I am especially proud of the exciting new university level courses we are offering 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 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.

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





# Reasons to Love NWRC

**1st**  
FE College in NI for Learning Resources<sup>1</sup>

**Smaller Class Sizes**  
than university mean more one-to-one support

**Celebrate your achievements at our annual Graduation Ceremony<sup>3</sup>**

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

**Lower Tuition Fees than University**

**Work Placements to enhance your employability**

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

**University Level Courses on your doorstep**

**97%**  
of students would recommend NWRC to a friend<sup>1</sup>

**15%**  
Student Discount at our Hair & Beauty Salons



# Campus Facilities

£17m+ invested in College Facilities since 2015

More than 10,000 students across 5 campuses

## 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 on campus 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).

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

- Brickwork
- Carpentry and Joinery
- Electrical engineering
- 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, this modern Campus includes:

- 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@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:marketing@nwrc.ac.uk)

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

\*Our Cafés, Restaurants and Hair & Beauty salons are open to the public

Strand Road Campus



Springtown Campus



Limavady Campus



Strabane Campus



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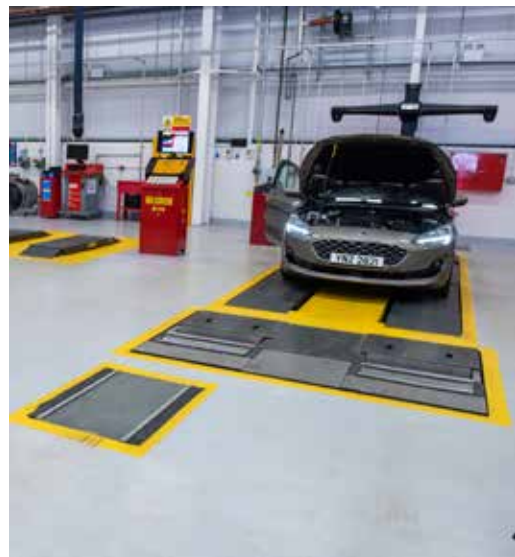




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\*National Student  
Survey, 2022





# 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 2022/23.

## NI Travel Student of the Year

**Holly Barrie-Herron**, a recent Graduate from our Foundation Degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management programme was named the **2022 NI Travel Student of the Year**.

As part of her course Holly completed a work placement with J & K Coaches and has now secured full-time employment with the firm.



## £20k Amazon Bursary

**Clare Hamilton**, who studied the Level 3 Extended Diploma in IT, recently won a huge **£20,000 bursary** from global e-commerce giant **Amazon**. Clare has now begun a Degree in Computer Science at Queen's University Belfast.

The 20 year-old, who was home-schooled until she joined NWRC in 2020, said she was thrilled to bits to have been chosen as one of 30 recipients of the award, which is only open to female students in the UK.



## Worldskills (Gold)

Foundation Degree Science student **Rory Deehan** won the **Gold** medal in Laboratory Technician Skills at the **Worldskills UK Finals**.

Rory was prepared for the competition by his lecturer and mentor Diane Smyth.



## Worldskills (Silver)

Level 3 student **Morgan Nutt** won a **Silver** medal in Floor & Wall Tiling at Worldskills UK. Morgan follows in the footsteps of his older brother Cameron who studied Joinery at NWRC and represented Team UK in Abu Dhabi.



## JP McManus Scholarship

NWRC Computing student **Aileen Barber** was awarded an All-Ireland Scholarship, funded by **JP McManus**, to support her university studies.

Aileen achieved 3 Distinction\* grades in her Level 3 Extended Diploma in IT. She has now progressed to Queen's University Belfast to complete a degree in Computer Science.



## Rising Star Joe Released First EP

HNC Music student **Joe Allan** released his first EP 'Blackout Blinds' which is available now on all major streaming services, including Spotify.



Learn from  
Industry  
Experts

## Pearson Awards 2022

### Team of the Year (Gold)

**Health Studies** lecturers won the **Gold Award** for 'Further Education (FE) Team of Year' at the **2022 Pearson Teaching Awards**.

The BTEC Level 3 Health Studies team who have spent decades preparing students for careers in the health sector were praised by the judges for their "focus and passion."

### Lecturer of the Year (Care & Health)

**Jacqueline Turner**, Course Coordinator of the Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care was a **Silver** award winner for the **Pearson FE Lecturer of the Year Award**.

One of the highlights of Jacqueline's work was integrating a unique and innovative project with YouthAction NI into the curriculum. This is a funded research project by the Ideas Fund that allows students to contribute to action research on the mental health of young people.

### Lecturer of the Year (Sport)

Lecturer **Ivor Neill** received the **Silver** award for the **Pearson FE Lecturer of the Year Award**.

Ivor was the driving force behind the introduction of two new courses at Limavady campus - Level 3 Diploma in Outdoor Activities and Level 3 Diploma Uniformed Services, allowing the curriculum department to continue to grow and change to meet market needs.



Find out more  
[nwrc.ac.uk/roll-of-honour](http://nwrc.ac.uk/roll-of-honour)



# Sport & 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.**

### 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. Our Clubs and Societies are all **100% free** so there's no reason not to get involved.

If you can't find a 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.

### 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.

Our students often compete in local, national and international competitions in sports such as swimming, judo, karate, pool, ten-pin bowling and many more.

### Elite Athlete Scheme

Our Elite Athlete Scheme is a financial initiative established to reward the sporting achievements of our most talented sportsmen and women. Selected winners receive a monetary bursary along with additional training support and advice from the College's Sports Department.

Each applicant is presented with an O'Neills NWRC sports kit and continue to play a full part in sport at the College by participating in various competitions and championships.

### 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

Live performances from our Music and Performing Arts students always get top billing. In recent years our students have delivered a number of live performances in our Foyle Theatre, including Pulp Fiction, Reservoir Dogs, Shaun of the Dead and The Big Lebowski.

### 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 Patrick Cutcliffe (Google).

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

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





# Go Global with NWRC



**Studying at NWRC offers students the opportunity to train and study abroad on one week to twelve month programmes.**

These projects can give you the opportunity to enhance your learning experience, improve self-confidence, grow aspirations and develop real-life skills as well as enjoy and experience another culture. And best of all, it's free!

Many of these opportunities are funded through the Turing Scheme programme: [turing-scheme.org.uk/about/why-take-part/](https://turing-scheme.org.uk/about/why-take-part/)

Students have participated in projects to countries across Europe including Belgium, Portugal, Spain, Germany, Denmark, Italy, the Netherlands, and further afield such as Hong Kong 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'.

 Find out more [international@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:international@nwrc.ac.uk)



**ARE YOU AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT?**  
SCAN TO CHECK



**Travel for Free!**  
All travel, accommodation, meals and training costs are covered.





# 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)

**“After NWRC I got a full-time job with Fujitsu, a world leading IT Service provider, and it was my course that helped me get there. Everything I learned during my Foundation Degree I can now apply to my job.”**

**PETER RODDY**  
 FOUNDATION DEGREE IN SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

*\*Full-Time HE students only. Criteria applies*



Receive a College bursary of up to **£500\***





## 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 that every young person has access to all the specialist support they need to help them successfully achieve their qualifications at North West Regional College.

### 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.



Shatter the Myths!

Visit [nwrc.ac.uk/parents](http://nwrc.ac.uk/parents) where we debunk some of the most common myths surrounding FE education.



### 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.

### 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.

### Work Experience

We actively prepare our students for the world of work from day one. Our courses are designed to provide learners with the skills and knowledge employers want.

Many of our courses include work experience, which provides students with the opportunity to apply the skills they have developed in class to a real work setting.

### Industry Links

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

### 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.

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

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



## Improve your English, Maths and ICT

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 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?

- Our Essential Skills courses are **100% FREE**
- Enhance your job prospects with nationally recognised qualifications that employers will recognise
- Higher earning and learning potential
- 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
- Classes take place in a relaxed atmosphere
- Experienced and friendly tutors will help you improve your reading, writing and maths quickly and easily
- Class numbers are relatively small to give you the individual attention you require



### 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.

### GCSE English and Maths

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

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



Find out more  
[nwrc.ac.uk/essential-skills](http://nwrc.ac.uk/essential-skills)





## 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.

Student Services is made up of seven key support areas: the Careers Academy, Student Finance, Library, Students' Union, Learning Link, Health & Wellbeing and Safeguarding.

The Student Services team are your main source of information, support and guidance.

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)

**95%**  
of students agreed the support they received helped them progress\*



### Students' Union

The Students' Union is made up of students of varying courses, age and gender, who support the general welfare of all students. It is the main channel of communication between students and College management, and organises a range of events and societies for students throughout the year.

A Students' Union President and class representatives are elected at the beginning of each academic year.

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

Union members also enjoy NUS-USI benefits such as travel and shopping discounts.

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







### 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, the distribution of Further Education Award cheques and Higher Education registrations.

Tel: **028 7127 6010 / 6045**  
Email: [studentfinance@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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 6096 / 8709**  
Email: [counselling@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto: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. We encourage you to contact us early to ensure that we can meet your needs.

While we will endeavour at all times 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 provision is unable to address the needs of the student.

### 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

Tel: **028 7127 6024**

Email: [learninglink@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto: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, Ulster University, and Atlantic Technological University (ATU).

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 campuses, Strand Road, Limavady and Strabane. Services include:

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

Tel: **028 7127 6127**

Visit: [nwrc.ac.uk/library](http://nwrc.ac.uk/library)

### 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 departments, within our support services and throughout our wider community.

Tel: **028 7127 8709**

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

### 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.

**97%**  
of students agree the College provides an inclusive learning environment\*



### Widening Access and Participation

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

The collaboration with the Universities is allowing 'Access' to Higher Education for adults who were previously made redundant, or change career direction, the unemployed or those who hadn't considered progressing in education to access both Full and Part-time education allowing them to rethink their educational pathway.

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

#### Scholarships and Erasmus Funded Programmes

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.

In addition, we also offer a number of other significant Erasmus funded programmes. 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**

### Code of Practice

All students going on work placement into regulated activity will be required to complete an Enhanced Access NI check.

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

For more information, contact our Safeguarding Officer on **028 7127 8709**.

### Criminal Convictions

NWRC actively promotes equality of opportunity for all and welcomes enrolments from students with criminal convictions. However in order to manage any risk, you must tell us about any unspent convictions you have.

#### Disclosure

You should do this by declaring on the College's enrolment form. 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.

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.

#### Access NI Criminal Record Check

Students that disclose a criminal history will be required to complete a Basic or an Enhanced Access NI check. If applying for a course that requires work placement in regulated activity you will be required to complete an Enhanced Access NI check. This will depend on the nature of the course you have applied for.

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.

The College is committed to processing Criminal Record Checks in accordance with the Access NI Code of Practise which is available on the Access NI website.

Alternatively you can request a copy of this document from Student Services.



\*NWRC Learner Satisfaction Survey, 2022



## 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 2023, 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 2023 you can apply for a Further Education Award from Student Finance NI.

Application forms are available from Student Services and can also be downloaded from [eani.org](https://eani.org).

#### 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 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 HE students with a household income of less than £19,203\* may be eligible for an NWRC College bursary of up to £500 per academic year (subject to assessment). For more 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 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 EU23N 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 2023, 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.

*\*Subject to change*

## Lower Tuition Fees than University



### Tuition Fees

If you are aged under 19 years on 1 July 2023 then 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 fee of £230 (approx).

Fees for full-time Higher Education courses (Level 4 and above) are **£2,500\* per annum**.

### 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 **29th February 2024**.

#### Non-Payment of Tuition Fees

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

- You may be withdrawn from your course
- You may not be able to sit exams for any NWRC course you are enrolled on
- You may not be able to access any College facilities or our computer network
- You may not be able to progress to the next year of your course, or enrol on an alternative NWRC course
- Your name will not be included on any pass or graduation list
- We will aim to recover all outstanding money that is owed to the College.

### Additional Fees

- **Graduation** - If attending Graduation, students will be required to pay a £50 attendance fee.
- **Access Courses** - Students undertaking a university Access course will be required to pay an examination or registration fee. For Ulster University Access students the fee will be in the region of £250, whilst the fee for the Queen's University (QUB) Access Diploma in Health and Welfare will be £150.

### 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)

## 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



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



**Find out more**  
[nwrc.ac.uk/finance](https://nwrc.ac.uk/finance)



# Your Career Starts 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.

## Workshops

- CV Writing
- Interview Skills
- UCAS Registration
- Team-working Skills
- Personal Statement Writing
- Further Education Funding
- Higher Education Funding
- Progression
- Presentation Skills for Zoom / Online Interviews
- Budgeting - Money Matters
- Introduction to Mental Health Mindset
- BeReady suite of Employability modules
- Healthcare Mock Interview Practice
- Morrisby Careers Software
- Inspire Employability Programme

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

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



## Award-Winning Careers Support



**Provider of the Year**  
OCN Learner Awards 2021



**Careers Impact Strategy Award**  
The Education Awards 2020



**Careers Education and Guidance Award\***  
AoC Beacon Awards 2018/19



**Inspiring Talent Award**  
Irish News Workplace and Employment Awards 2019



**Matrix Quality Mark**  
For excellence in careers provision, employability, advice and guidance.



\*Association of Colleges Beacon Awards, 2018-19



# 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		
			Higher level study	Employment	University
<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 (05 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>	✓	✓	✓
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.	<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 2020 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	-	-
-	-	-	06	-	-

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)



# 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 Student Services team 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](mailto: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 18 or visit [nwrc.ac.uk/policies](http://nwrc.ac.uk/policies).


## International Students

The College welcomes applications from international students. Find out more: [nwrc.ac.uk/international](http://nwrc.ac.uk/international)

## Terms and Conditions

Students are required to comply with the College's Terms and Conditions. It is important that you read the terms carefully and understand them before applying / accepting your offer.

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

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

Study up to  
**Degree Level**  
with us

1

**BROWSE  
OUR COURSES  
ONLINE**



2

**CLICK  
APPLY ONLINE**



3

**LOG IN OR  
REGISTER A NEW  
ACCOUNT**

*\*EMAIL ADDRESS REQUIRED*



4

**COMPLETE  
THE ONLINE  
APPLICATION  
FORM**

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**TRACK YOUR  
APPLICATION  
ONLINE**



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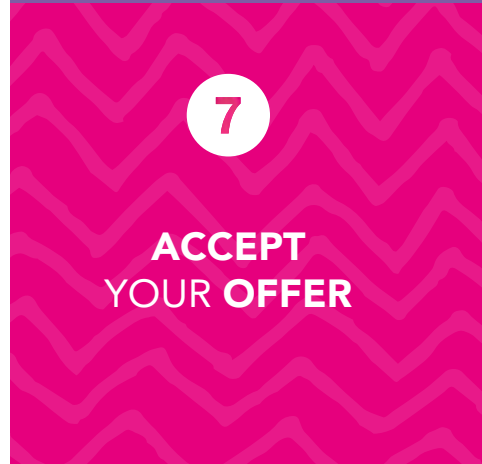
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*\*IF APPLICABLE*



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**ACCEPT  
YOUR OFFER**



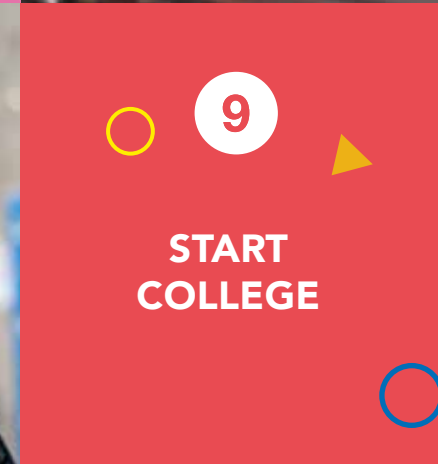
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**START  
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Search online:

[nwrc.ac.uk/courses](https://nwrc.ac.uk/courses)



SCAN TO VIEW  
ALL FULL-TIME  
COURSES

## Course Symbol Key











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|---|--|
|  Interview                 |  Audition   |
|  Work Placement            |  Portfolio  |
|  Information Session       |  Associate Student Status<br><i>(see page 27)</i> |
|  AccessNI Check            |  Health Declaration                               |
|  Part-Time Study Available |  APEL <i>(see page 16)</i>                        |

Photo: Students perform musical showcase "Shenanigans" at NWRC Foyle Theatre



# Administration (Secretarial)



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ADMINISTRATION  
COURSES



Administration (Secretarial)



## Career Paths

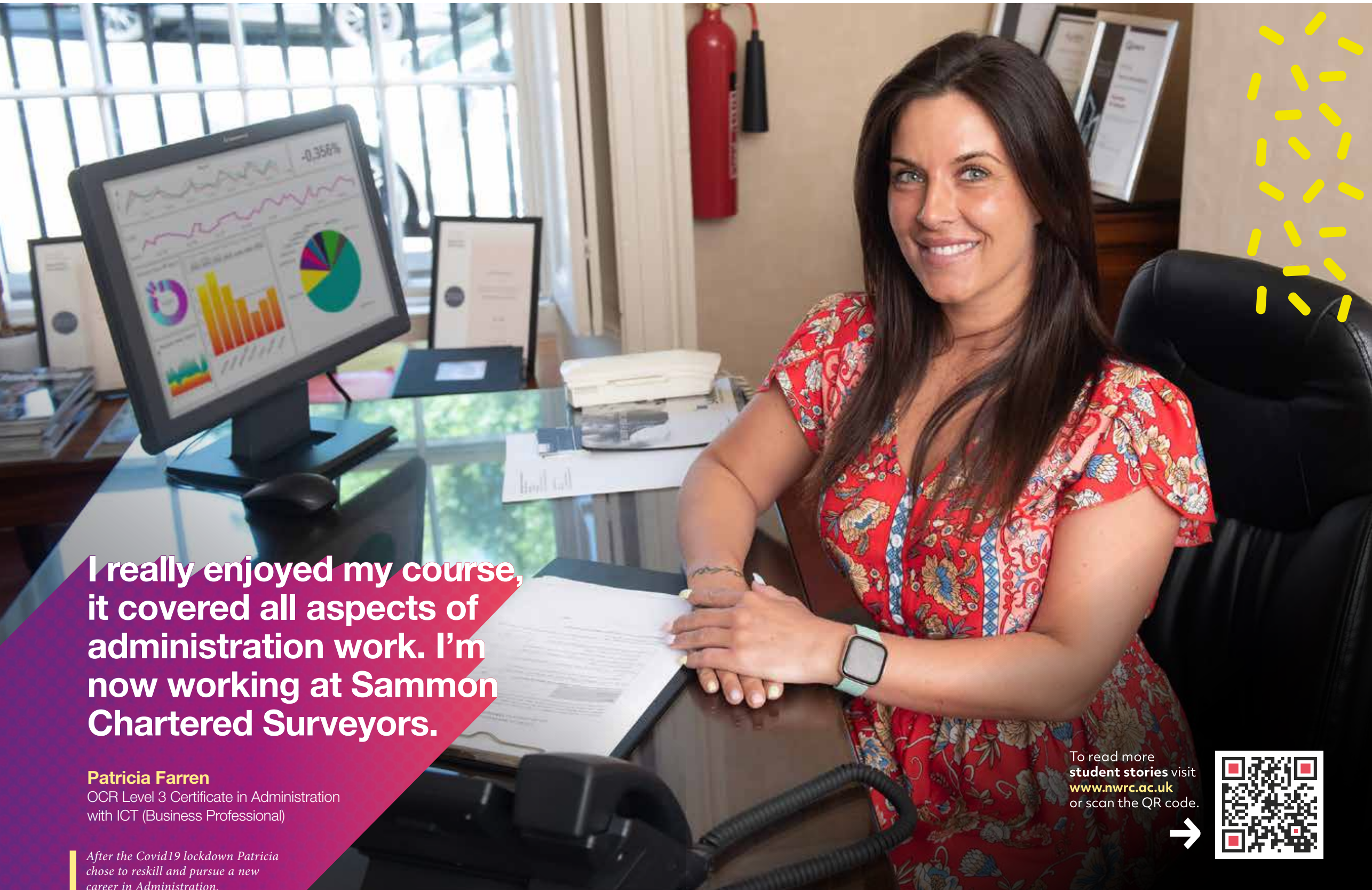
- > Office Manager
- > Personal Assistant
- > Legal Secretary
- > Medical Administrator
- > Receptionist
- > Business Analyst
- > School Administrator
- > Banking Clerk

...plus many more!



**QUALIFICATIONS  
IN THIS SUBJECT  
ARE IN DEMAND\***  
See page 1 for details  
*\*2021 NI Skills Barometer*





**I really enjoyed my course, it covered all aspects of administration work. I'm now working at Sammon Chartered Surveyors.**

**Patricia Farren**

OCR Level 3 Certificate in Administration with ICT (Business Professional)

*After the Covid19 lockdown Patricia chose to reskill and pursue a new career in Administration.*

To read more student stories visit [www.nwrc.ac.uk](http://www.nwrc.ac.uk) or scan the QR code.







## AMSPAR Level 2 Diploma Medical Administration

### Course Code

601/3910/9

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Association of Medical Secretaries, Practice Managers, Administrators and Receptionists (AMSPAR)

### Course Contact

Loretta Melaugh  
028 7127 6152  
loretta.melaugh@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

If you are looking for employment, this course will give you the tools to provide effective administrative support within any healthcare setting.

With the Diploma in Medical Administration you can start your career as a medical administrator or secretary, helping patients and providing vital support for doctors and other healthcare professionals.

This qualification was developed in partnership with AMSPAR. It is designed for those wishing to work as receptionists in any section of the health services, including general medicine and dental practices, hospitals (including wards / medical records clerks) and opticians.

### Core Modules

- Medical Terminology
- Working in the NHS
- Administration Skills in a Medical Environment
- Medical Principles
- Communication Skills in a Medical Environment
- Develop Working Relationships with Colleagues
- Manage Personal Performance and Development

### Optional Modules

A number of optional units are available to enhance skills, knowledge and employability opportunities.

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.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Attempted 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above);

**ROI:** Attempted OLCs (Grade O6 or above).

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Note: Suitable for mature students who may be accepted without the entry requirements following a successful information session.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

75% Coursework; 25% Exam. External assessments are sat for three units and controlled assessments, or coursework for the remainder.

### Work Placement

You will be expected to complete a period of work placement in a GP surgery, hospital or other medical environment where you will complete a number of work-based units in order to achieve the full qualification.

### Further Study

This course can progress directly into employment or onto the Level 3 in Business Administration.

### Your Future Career

With this qualification you can progress directly into employment. Start your career as a medical administrator or secretary, helping patients and providing vital support for doctors and other healthcare professionals.

Positions for future employment also could include those of general administrators, clerical officers etc.



## Level 2 Diploma Legal Secretaries

### Course Code

601/0108/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (Full-Time)  
2 Years (Part-Time)

### Awarding Body

TBC

### Course Contact

Bridie Cannon  
028 7127 6105  
Bridie.cannon@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification is for learners wanting to develop a career in the legal sector, covering a variety of roles including administrative assistant / administrator, legal executive, and legal secretary.

There is demand for skilled administrators in business generally as well as in legal practices. The work is varied and you will use a range of technical and people skills to help the business deliver an effective service to its clients.

This programme also develops student skills sets to enhance employability opportunities.

Successful graduates can progress into a range of career opportunities within the area of Administration.

### Core Modules

- Legal Word Processing
- Legal Audio Transcription
- Legal Database Processing
- Proof Reading
- Legal Spreadsheet Processing
- Working in the Legal Environment

### Optional Modules

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.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Attempted 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above and attend an information session. Interview required.

**ROI:** Attempted 4 OLCs (Grade O6 or above) and attend an information session. Interview required.

### Assessment

80% Coursework; 20% Exam.

Assessments to include class based exams and assignments are based on CiLEX requirements.

### Work Placement

Students are encouraged to avail of work placement opportunities which provide valuable insights into the world of work.

### Further Study

This course can progress you directly into employment or onto a Level 3 programme at our College.

### Your Future Career

Past students have gained employment as:

- Legal Personal Assistants
- Legal Secretaries
- General Administrators (e.g. secretary in a school, architect's office)
- Clerical Officers in the Legal department of a bank





## CILEx Level 3 Diploma Legal Secretaries

**Course Code**  
601/0569/0 (subject to change)

**Campus**  
Derry~Londonderry

**Length of Study**  
1 Year (Full-Time)

**Awarding Body**  
Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx)

**Course Contact**  
Bridie Cannon  
028 7127 6105  
bridie.cannon@nwr.ac.uk

Non-term time  
Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

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

This programme has been designed by legal professionals to enable a pool of talent to apply for jobs in the sector. It also includes work placement opportunities at various levels of study. Practical assignments by CILEx provide real life tasks which are readily transferred to the workplace.

This programme also develops student skills sets to enhance employability opportunities.

### Core Modules

- Legal Word Processing
- Business Skills in the Legal Environment
- Proof Reading in the Legal Environment
- Legal Information Processing
- Legal Audio Processing

### Optional Modules

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

### Entry Requirements

Level 2 Legal Secretaries Diploma and attendance at an information evening. Interview required.

### Assessment

80% Coursework; 20% Exam.

Class based exams and assessments are based on CILEX requirements.

### Work Placement

Students are also encouraged to seek work placement opportunities which provide valuable insights into the world of work.

### Further Study

Successful graduates may wish to progress further within the area of Business Administration.

### Your Future Career

Past students have secured employment as:

- Legal Secretaries
- Employment in general administration (e.g. clerical officers, secretaries)
- Progressed to higher education to study law

**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**







## OCR Level 3 Diploma

## Administration with ICT (Business Professional)

**Course Code**

500/6485/X

**Campus**

Derry~Londonderry

**Length of Study**1 Year (Full-Time)  
2 Years (Part-Time)**Additional Fees**

Other: £50+

For additional qualifications, such as City &amp; Guilds or Sage.

**Awarding Body**

Oxford Cambridge and RSA (OCR)

**Course Contact**Annemarie Scullion  
028 7127 6104  
annmarie.scullion@nwrc.ac.uk**Non-term time**Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000**Progression****Course Overview**

In today's workplace there is high demand for skilled administrative professionals who can help the business deliver an effective service to its clients.

This course will develop the practical skills sought by employers today.

You will be trained in office tasks and in the use of a range of different equipment, and you will gain practical insights into the wide range of career possibilities in the area of administration.

**Core Modules**

- Producing Complex Documents
- Functions and Roles within Business Organisations
- Level 2 City & Guilds Intermediate Word Processing Techniques
- Supporting Recruitment and Selection Procedures
- Financial Transactions
- Verbal Communications
- Business Travel
- Support Business Meetings
- Apply Legislation

**Optional Modules**

We also offer the opportunity for students to undertake Level 1 and/or Level 2 in Manual and Computerised Accounts (a small examination fee is payable for these).

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:** OCR Level 2 Administration (Business Professional) or equivalent and GCSE English (Grade C or above); or equivalent OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

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Interview required. Mature students, with industrial experience and good level of ICT, will be considered at information session (see page 18 for more details on APEL).

**Assessment**

100% Coursework.

**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 further your studies and progress onto the Level 4 Higher Diploma in Administrative Procedures with ICT, or move into employment.

**Your Future Career**

Successful completion of this course 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 and hotels etc.



## OCR Level 4 Higher Diploma

## Administrative Procedures with ICT

**Course Code**

500/6490/3

**Campus**

Derry~Londonderry

**Length of Study**1 Year (Full-Time)  
2 Years (Part-Time)**Additional Fees**

Exam fees apply.

OCR Registration Fee: £200

Other Costs: £55, City &amp; Guilds Level 2 Word Processing fee

**Awarding Body**

Oxford Cambridge and RSA (OCR)

**Course Contact**Anne Marie Scullion  
028 7127 6104  
annmarie.scullion@nwrc.ac.uk**Non-term time**Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000**Progression****Course Overview**

This course will provide you with the knowledge and understanding to undertake a range of complex administration tasks.

The learning experience is designed to develop supervisory skills through practical senior and supervisory activities in a realistic working environment in the College setting.

This vocational qualification provides the necessary skills to apply for employment as an executive/personal administrator in the public or private sector.

Students are assessed by College-based OCR assignments. There may be an opportunity for work experience in the second semester which provides a practical insight into career possibilities in administration.

Applicants can apply directly to employment in PA, Executive supervisor roles with relevant experience.

**Core Modules**

A range of units will be undertaken during the course duration.

**Optional Modules**

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.

**Entry Requirements**

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points + GCSE (Grade C or above) in English; Interview and information session also required.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points + OLC (Grade O4 or above) in English. Interview and information session also required.

Recognition of Prior Learning (APEL) may also be considered for entry onto this course. For details see page 18.

Mature students with relevant industrial experience may also be considered at information session.

**Assessment**

100% Coursework.

**Work Placement**

There may be an opportunity for work experience in the second semester which provides a practical insight into career possibilities in administration.

**Further Study**

Progression opportunities may exist with other HE institutions. Also there are opportunities to undertake either Computerised Accounts or Word Processing qualifications as part of the programme.

**Your Future Career**

This vocational qualification provides the qualifications necessary to apply for employment as an executive / personal administrator in the public or private sector.



**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**



# 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!



**QUALIFICATIONS  
IN THIS SUBJECT  
ARE IN DEMAND\***  
See page 1 for details  
*\*2021 NI Skills Barometer*





The Access Diploma really opened the door for me to pursue my passion for law. I'm now studying towards my Law Degree at Ulster University, Belfast.

**Denisa Banushi**

Access Diploma in Combined Studies

*After completing her degree Denisa hopes to become a licensed barrister. She also featured in the College's 2022 summer billboard campaign.*

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## QUB Level 3 University Access Diploma Health and Welfare

### Course Code

P10025

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

**Books:** Variable depending on student choice. Most resources are available within college.

### Awarding Body

Queens University Belfast  
(QUB)

### Course Contact

Derry~Londonderry

Theresa McLoone  
028 7127 6364  
theresa.mcloone@nwrc.ac.uk

### Strabane

Claire Campbell  
028 7127 8826  
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 and health studies field. You will attend classes over 3.5 days per week with additional time to undertake independent reading and study.

### Core Modules

- Health and Welfare
- Research
- Human Anatomy and Physiology
- Study Skills including ICT
- Introduction to Psychology
- Microbiology for Health and Care
- NICATS Mathematics  
(For students who do not yet have appropriate grade and Certificate in GCSE / LCert)

### Optional Modules

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

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** A pass in GCSE English Language Grade C/4 or GCSE Mathematics Grade C/4 or acceptable equivalent.

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 Mathematics independently in addition to the course (depending on University requirements).

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

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 Mathematics independently in addition to the course (depending on University requirements).

Applicants who have already achieved Essential Skills Communication and Essential Skills Application of Number at Level 2 (or acceptable equivalent) should check at the beginning of the Access Diploma with the Admissions Office of their chosen University to ensure these qualifications fulfil the entrance requirements. Not all universities will accept Essential Skills qualifications as acceptable entrance criteria.

Applications from students who have been away from full-time education for a sustained period of time (two consecutive academic years minimum) prior to commencing the Access Diploma will be considered.

An interview is also required.

**International applicants** - If English is not your first language you must also 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.

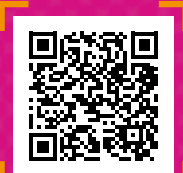
### Further Study

Applicants may apply to study Foundation Degree / HNC or other Degree level qualifications. 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 to £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

P1002

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### 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 may be included in course fee – please check with reception at time of enrolment).

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

Luane Quigley  
028 7127 6103  
luane.quigley@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 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 compulsory (if you don't hold a GCSE Grade C in Maths) and four are chosen by you from a range of available options.

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

### Core Modules

- Study and Digital Skills
- Communications
- Mathematics

### Optional Modules

- Business Accounts
- Introduction to Psychology
- Introduction to Sociology
- Introduction to Law
- Introduction to Biology
- Introduction to English Literature
- Introduction to Modern Languages
- Web Development for e-Business
- Programming Fundamentals
- Relational Database Systems
- Statistical Research and ICT
- Researching Society
- Business and Entrepreneurship
- The Development of Modern Ireland

### Entry Requirements

Students are required to provide evidence of a basic competence in English / Maths, and be over 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry and have been away from full-time education for two years. Interview and information session required.

### Assessment

90% Coursework; 10% Exam. Depending on pathway modules selected the weightings may vary.

### Further Study

For the purpose of admission to HE study, as part of the full award of Access Diploma, a 20 credit Level 2 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/4. 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 qualification will enable you to apply to higher education courses with NWRC or University, in a range of subject areas. There are also progression opportunities onto our Higher Level Apprenticeships.

### Your Future Career

Career pathways include Nursing, Social Work, Teaching, Law, Journalism, Business, Accountancy, IT, Hospitality, Travel & Tourism Management and Counselling.



## Ulster University Access Diploma Science

### Course Code

P10009

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

Dr Amanda Maginty  
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amanda.maginty@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### 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 proposed science programme will be student-centred and encourage self-confidence and development through a structured programme consisting of core modules including Core Scientific & Laboratory Skills, Mathematics and Fundamentals of Science leading on to optional modules which include Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Maths for Science Calculations.

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 and Laboratory Skills
- Fundamentals of Science

### Optional Modules

- Maths for Science Calculations
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics

### Entry Requirements

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. Interview required.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. Students will be assessed using a variety of methods including written coursework, practical observations, experiment scientific reports, class tests, presentations and exams.

### 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 UK 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



\*Subject to validation



# Apprenticeships & Traineeships



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APPRENTICESHIPS  
& TRAINEESHIPS



## Career Paths

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



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**OUR STAFF AND  
STUDENTS ARE  
AWARD WINNERS**  
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People are always really surprised when they hear what my job is. Seeing the shock on their faces never gets old, but everyone thinks it's class that I'm a woman welder.

**Chloe Rankin**

ApprenticeshipNI in Fabrication and Welding

Chloe is currently employed with Fleming Agri Products

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**Higher Level Apprenticeships**  
 Get paid while you earn a Degree Level qualification!  
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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.**

Apprenticeships combine work, study and 'off-the-job' training at College. Apprenticeships range from GCSE level to Foundation Degree.

Usually you will be with the employer four days a week and at NWRC one day a week.

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 with good GCSE grades and an aptitude for their trade and learning can complete in a shorter time-frame.

### Who can apply?

Our Apprenticeship programme is open to new or existing employees aged 16-24 who are in permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland based company. You will be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including day release/off-the-job training) with one employer.

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

### 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. Our Apprenticeship programmes can lead onto higher level study, which can open up more career opportunities.

Occupational areas include:

- Health and Social Care
- Construction
- Dental Nursing
- Motor Vehicle Repair
- Brickwork
- Carpentry and Joinery
- Tiling
- Welding
- Electrical and Mechanical Engineering
- Painting and Decorating
- Plumbing

#### 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 ApprenticeshipNI 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 on Open Day 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 our website [nwrc.ac.uk/opendays](http://nwrc.ac.uk/opendays) for event details and dates.

 **Find out more**  
[john.cartin@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:john.cartin@nwrc.ac.uk)







## NI Traineeships

The NI Traineeship programme provides a high-quality vocational education and training programme at Level 2 and is aimed at school leavers who aspire to work within a specific sector.

The Traineeship is available to all participants, providing the skills and qualifications necessary to secure employment in their chosen occupation including transition to a Level 2 apprenticeship during the programme where relevant.

The Traineeship also provides progression to a Level 3 Apprenticeship or alternatively to Further Education at Level 3.

A Traineeship programme comprises the following key elements:

- A main professional and technical qualification in the chosen occupational area;
- Skills development;
- Transversal skills;
- Work placement;
- Literacy and numeracy qualifications at Level 2 (may include GCSE qualifications in English and Mathematics);
- Additional qualifications deemed necessary for work within a sector, e.g. Health and Safety, CSR, manual handling

Traineeships are available in the following areas:

- Brickwork
- Carpentry and Joinery
- Childcare
- Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)
- Hairdressing
- Health and Social Care
- Hospitality and Catering
- Information and Creative Technology
- Motor Vehicle Repair
- Painting and Decorating
- Wall and Floor Tiling

### Traineeship Diploma

On successful completion of a NI Traineeship, participants will receive a full Traineeship Diploma equivalent to five GCSEs at grades A\*-C (including English and Mathematics qualifications at Level 2).

### Duration

The majority of Traineeships will typically take up to two years to complete on a full-time basis. Some take one year to complete including:

- IT
- Health and Social Care
- Childcare
- Hairdressing
- Travel and Tourism

Participants who achieve qualifications during the first year may progress to an apprenticeship or further education earlier.

### Entry Requirements

Applicants will be required to hold a minimum of a Level 1 qualification defined as 4 GCSEs at grades D-G including Maths and English grades D-F or equivalent. Enhanced entry grades apply in certain areas.

### Progression

#### Achievement of the Full Traineeship Diploma

Those that complete the qualifications equivalent to five GCSEs at Grade C passes including English (or Communications Level 2) and Maths (or Application of Number Level 2) will receive an overarching NI Traineeship Diploma issued by the Department for the Economy.

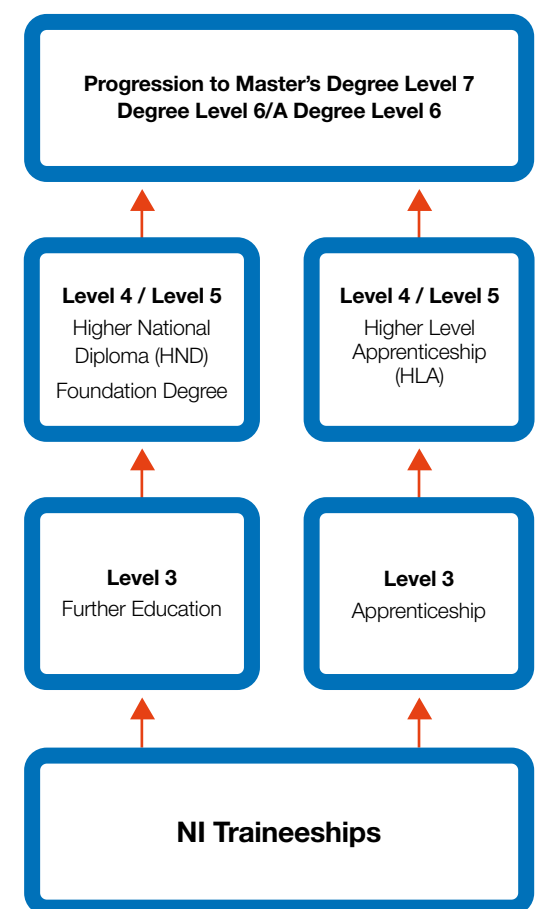
#### Partial Achievement

Trainees who do not achieve all of the components will be recognised for partial achievement. This may mean that the trainee passes the professional and technical qualification but does not achieve level 2 communication or level 2 numeracy. Trainees who have partial achievement may be able to progress to FE Level 3.

#### Progression

On completion of the Traineeship, you can progress within NWRC to a Level 3 further education course or a Level 3 apprenticeship (possibly with your work placement employer). This can lead you to higher education options.

If you become employed during your Traineeship you can progress to a Level 2 Apprenticeship.







## Trainee Support

### Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)

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 30th June although applications are open until the 30th September.

### Hardship Fund

If you are age 18 or over on 1 July 2023 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 placements.

### 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.



**Find out more**  
[studentservices@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:studentservices@nwrc.ac.uk)

*\*Please note, the above information is subject to change.*



## Higher Level Apprenticeships (HLA)

**A 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.

### 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
- Construction with Renewables
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- General Engineering
- Hospitality and Tourism Management
- Leadership for Children Care, Learning and Development
- Software Development
- 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.

### 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?

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

### Find out more

For more information on the Higher Level Apprenticeship programmes we offer visit [nwrc.ac.uk/hla](http://nwrc.ac.uk/hla) or email [hla\\_docs@nwrc.ac.uk](mailto:hla_docs@nwrc.ac.uk).







## City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate / Diploma Painting and Decorating

### Course Code

600/8778/X

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

Sean Barton  
028 7127 6226  
sean.barton@nwr.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification is aimed at learners aged 16 and above who work or want to work in the construction industry and specialize in the area of painting and decorating.

The Level 1 qualification are aimed at people wishing to learn some skills in painting and decorating, to progress on to becoming skilled in their chosen trade, or to progress through an apprenticeship and work towards becoming a master craftsman.

As part of the programme students will undertake essential skills in Maths, English and ICT that will allow progression on to Level 2 Traineeship or employment on to Apprenticeship programme.

The programme will also have additional support available based on learner needs to support successful completion of programme.

### Core Modules

- Erecting and dismantling access equipment working platforms
- Preparing surfaces for decoration
- Applying paint systems by brush and roller to non complex areas
- Principles of building construction, information and communication
- Applying foundation and plain papers
- Producing specialist decorative finishes
- Health, safety and welfare in construction

### Entry Requirements

No formal entry requirements, applicants must have the potential to achieve full qualification.

### 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 the Level 1 course on to Level 2 Traineeships or to employment on the Level 2 Apprenticeship programme, completing trade at Level 3.

### Your Future Career

Painters have excellent opportunities to become self-employed and start their own businesses.

Once the Level 3 Apprenticeship has been completed painters can progress to higher education courses to further develop their careers in the construction industry with job opportunities as site manager, project managers, Health & Safety officers and teaching.



## City & Guilds Level 1 Construction Skills (Multi-Craft)

### Course Code

601/8755/4

### Campus

Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Costs are covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

Michelle Young  
02871278774  
Michelle.young@nwr.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification 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.

### Core Modules

- City & Guilds Construction Level 1
- Employability and Personal Development
- Recycling and Waste Management
- Essential Skills Literacy
- Essential Skills Numeracy
- Essential Skills ICT

### Entry Requirements

No formal entry requirements for this course, however applicants must have the potential to successfully gain the qualification. An interview is also required.

All students must have the potential to undertake work placement during this programme.

### 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 and 2 day work placement.

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Level 1 in Construction and the required level of Essential Skills, students can progress to employment, a Level 2 Traineeship or ApprenticeshipNI Level 2 programme.

### 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.







## OCN NI Level 1 / Level 2 Traineeship Information and Creative Technology\*

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Open College Network  
(OCN NI)

### Course Contact

**Derry~Londonderry**  
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### Limavady

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janine.crumlish@nwrc.ac.uk

### Strabane

Jane Magee  
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jane.magee@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

The Level 2 Traineeship will enable you to achieve a qualification which is equal 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 course is assessed with coursework and exams covering a broad range of IT skills.

The Traineeship will contain, within one year, OCN NI Transversal Skills at Level 2, Essential Skills Numeracy and Literacy.

Please note, detail regarding the content and assessment for this Traineeship is subject to change.

### Core Modules

- Unit 1: IT Essentials
- Unit 2: Computer Systems
- Unit 3: Programming

### Optional Modules

- Security / Cyber Security
- Database
- Networking
- Data Modelling using Excel
- Games Development
- Web Development
- Emerging Technology
- Graphic Design

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G) to include Maths and English Grade D.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5-O8) to include Maths and English Grade O5.

### Assessment

75% Coursework, 25% Exam.

The assessment requirements for this programme is currently in development.

### 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 IT Skills qualifications.

### Your Future Career

The qualification will be your first steps towards a career in the following fields:

- Web Design
- Software Development
- Network Administration
- Information Technology (IT)



\*Subject to validation



## City & Guilds Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Brickwork

### Course Code

600/7913/7

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities - Safety Boots and Overalls. Cost is covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Limavady

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### 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

- Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Trowel Occupations
- Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying

### Optional Modules

Units relevant to Industry.

### Entry Requirements

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

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.

You must also have employment with a NI registered company confirmed

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.

To complete the apprenticeship the candidate is required to complete a Level 2 Diploma e-portfolio and also a NVQ e-portfolio completed with evidence from site.

### Work Placement

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.







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

### Course Code

603/7633/8

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities - Safety Boots and Overalls. Cost is covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

**Springtown**  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

There is a shortfall in the number of qualified Painters and Decorators qualifying 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.

### Core Modules

- Level 2 Diploma in Painting and Decorating
- Level 2 NVQ in Decorative Finishing and Industrial Painting Occupations (Construction) - Painter

### Optional Modules

As required by industry.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above;

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed.

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

60% Coursework, 40% Exam.

To complete the apprenticeship the candidate is required to complete a Level 2 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 one 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 Essential Skills be required.

### Further Study

On successful completion of the Level 2 Apprenticeship it is possible to progress to 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

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.

Average salaries:

- Starter - £15,000 to £18,000
- Experienced - £21,000 to £25,000
- Highly Experienced - £25,000 to £30,000







## City & Guilds Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Professional Chef

**Course Code**  
500/9979/6

**Campus**  
Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

**Length of Study**  
2 Years

**Additional Fees**  
Uniform: £100-£150  
(Cost subject to change)

**Awarding Body**  
City & Guilds

**Course Contact**  
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**Non-term time**  
Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

**Progression**



### Course Overview

This programme is an internationally recognised qualification designed to enable students to gain professional culinary skills.

You will train in the production of food to a high standard in modern kitchens and restaurant facilities.

This is a dynamic programme which involves both food preparation and cookery elements, where you will prepare and cook a range of foods using a variety of cooking methods. Essential skills, literacy and numeracy are also included if candidates 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

Will be discussed at interview.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths and English Grade E.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths and English Grade O6

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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).

Interview required for all applicants.

80% Coursework, 20% Exam. Coursework will be made up of practical assessments and underpinning knowledge tests.

### Work Placement

You will typically work for you 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.

**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**







## City & Guilds Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Plumbing

### Course Code

501/1981/3

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform** - PPE required for workshop activities - Safety Boots and Overalls. Cost is covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### 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 apprenticeship, progress and remain in full-time employment.

Students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions.

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.

Note that our Plumbing qualifications is undergoing reform which may result in the awarding body differing from that in place currently.

### Core Modules

- Apply safe working practices in building services engineering working environment
- Pipework Processes
- Central Heating
- Environmental Technologies

- Scientific principles
- Hot water installation
- Cold water installation
- Electrical Safety
- Sanitation and drainage
- Install and maintain domestic plumbing and heating systems

### Optional Modules

As required by industry.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above;

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed. Attendance at an information session is also required.

Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Part-Time evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2023.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam.

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

### Work Placement

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 Assessor.

You may also be required to attend college on days outside of the normal class day should Essential 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 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.

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 plumbers 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.







## City & Guilds Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Wall and Floor Tiling

### Course Code

603/5921/3

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform** - PPE required for workshop activities - Safety Boots and Overalls. Cost is covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

**Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)**

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This Level 2 Apprenticeship allows candidates to learn, develop and practice 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 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, 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

- Level 2 NVQ Certificate in Wall and Floor Tiling
- Level 2 Diploma in Wall and Floor Tiling

### Optional Modules

- Principles of Construction

### Entry Requirements

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

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed.

Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Part-Time evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2023.

### Assessment

60% Coursework, 40% Exam. The course is assessed in college in the form of practical tasks carried out in the workshop with task having a theory multiple choice question paper and also two theory only online assessed exams.

In addition a Level 2 NVQ must be completed with evidence gathered from the workplace.

### Work Placement

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 Essential Skills be required.

### Further Study

You can progress to an Apprenticeship at Level 3.

### Your Future Career

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.

### Typical Salaries:

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







## ETCAL Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)

### Course Code

600/0881/7  
601/1688/2

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Engineering Training Council  
Awards Limited (ETCAL)

### Additional Fees

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

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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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. Progressing to Level 3, 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.

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 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

- Level 2 Diploma in Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)
- Level 2 NVQ Performing Engineering Operations (PEO)

### Optional Modules

As required by industry.

### Entry Requirements

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

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed.

Those without ICT at Level 2 must commit to attending an 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.

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 one 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 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.

Typical salaries:

- 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 Level 3 apprenticeship and joined the teaching team after experience in industry.







## ETCAL Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Mechanical Engineering

### Course Code

603/5276/0 (ETCAL)  
600/0881/7 (City & Guilds)

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** £20-40, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### Awarding Body

Engineering Training Council Awards Limited (ETCAL)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

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.

This is a two year programme in engineering where candidates undergo broad based training in precision machining lathe turning, milling, detail fitting, welding and basic electrical wiring and testing.

Our training facilities enhance practical learning. In addition candidates will be enrolled on a Level 2 Diploma in an Engineering Technical Certificate. On completion of the Level 2 framework the candidate can progress to Level 3.

The programme provides a progression route to higher level qualifications to meet company / candidates requirements.

NWRC supports apprentices to compete in regional, national and WorldSkills competitions which are designed to equip apprentices and students with world-class skills needed to help UK businesses compete globally.

Participation in competition enhances the student's 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 allowing for progression to Level 3.

### Core Modules

- ETCAL Level 2 NVQ Diploma in PEO
- City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Engineering

### Optional Modules

Units relevant to Industry requirements.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above;

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.

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You must also have employment with a Northern Ireland registered company confirmed.

Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Part-Time evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2023.

Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. This course is assessed through a range of online examinations and practical assessments.

### 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.

### Further Study

Direct entry to Level 3. Successful candidates who achieve at Level 3 can progress into employment or continue to study at Level 4 / Level 5 and 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 in some cases the Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Average salaries within the industry:

- Starter - £15,000 to £18,000
- Experienced - £20,000 to £24,000
- Highly Experienced - £25,000 to £50,000







## IMI Level 2 Apprenticeship NI

# Motor Light Vehicle Body Repair

### Course Code

500/9686/2

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required. Cost is covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI)

### Course Contact:

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### 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 CV and may lead to exciting employment opportunities.

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.

### 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:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above;

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above; -----

You must also have employment with a Northern Ireland registered company confirmed.

Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must commit to additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme. Part-Time evening ICT classes at NWRC available prior to September 2023.

Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### 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 one 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 Essential 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

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.

### Salary Guide:

- Starter: £15,000 to £18,000
- Experienced: £20,000 to £25,000
- Highly Experienced: Up to £30,000







## IMI Level 2 Apprenticeship NI

# Vehicle Maintenance and Repair

### Course Code

500/9819/6

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI)

### 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

Course content will 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, 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.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above;

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above;

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You must also have employment with a Northern Ireland registered company confirmed.

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.

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

### 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 Essential 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 Further Education route.

Students go on to Level 4, Level 5 and Degree programmes and our Lecturers have all come through the Apprenticeship programme.

### Your Future Career

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 motor sport 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.

Average salaries:

- Starter - £18,000
- Experienced - £21,000 to £27,000
- Highly Experienced - £28,000 to £35,000







## OCN NI Level 2 Apprenticeship Carpentry and Joinery

### Course Code

603/7904/2

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
(OCN NI)

### Course Contact

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### Limavady

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### 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.

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.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above;

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You must also have employment with a NI registered company confirmed.

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

100% Coursework. The candidate is required to complete a combined knowledge and competence qualification, 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 one day per week to complete the Level 2 qualification. You will be assessed on site by NWRC Assessor.

### Further Study

On successful completion options for further progression include Higher Level Apprenticeships, HNC/D, NEBOSH and Degree options.

### Your Future Career

- Newly trained bench joiners: £14,000 - £17,000
- Trained with experience bench joiners: £20,000 - £30,000
- Senior/master craft bench joiners: £30,000 - £40,000

Self-employed Bench Joiners set their own pay rates. Carpenters and Joiners with the right skills and qualifications can become College Lecturers.







## Level 2 Traineeship

# Children's Care, Learning and Development

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20-£40

### Awarding Body

TBC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This Level 2 course is designed to develop the understanding and skills relating to children's care, learning and development.

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

You will work in an Early Years specialist resource room which is fully equipped with play equipment to plan weekly practical activities, explore sensory resources and have opportunities to care for the 'Real Care Babies', as well as outdoor trips and competitions.

Previous years have included working alongside Norwegian students and exploration of forest schools.

Skills that you will develop to perform well in the workplace include:

- Excellent communication skills
- The ability to work with children in a sensitive and positive way
- Creativity and imagination while creating monthly displays
- Planning and organisational skills

### Core Modules

- Context, principles and values that underpin practice
- Communication and partnership working
- Safeguarding children
- Keeping children safe, healthy and well
- Support children's personal care, and nutrition
- Support children's development
- Support children's play, learning and development
- Contribute to care of children with disabilities and/or special needs
- Employability /Personal Development
- Literacy, Numeracy and ICT (for those who do not have equivalent of GCSE Grade C in English, Maths and ICT)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths and English Grade D;

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths and English Grade O5;

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Attendance at an information session is required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Portfolio and competence based qualification. You will be assessed through written assignments, project based practical tasks and workplace assessment.

### 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 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 or the Level 3 Diploma in Playwork.

### Your Future Career

Some students move into employment in the Early Years sector, however many of our Level 2 students choose to complete their Degree with us and progress to become Childcare Managers, Teachers and Social Workers.

Students hoping to advance their careers at university must achieve the university admissions criteria.







## City & Guilds Level 2 Traineeship Brickwork

### Course Code

600/7913/7

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required. Cost covered by College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### 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. There are a number of different types of 'brick' each one differing in what it's best used for and what it's made of. That's before you get to colour and size differences. Using the right brick is integral to creating solid, durable structures.

As a Bricklayer you will work within the Construction Industry both on commercial and residential projects. You can work internally / externally on residential and commercial projects.

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 Competitions.

### Core Modules

- Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction
- Principles of Building Construction, Information and Communication
- Building Solid Walling, Isolated and Attached Piers
- Interpreting Working Drawings to Set Out Masonry Structures
- Construct Cavity Walling Forming Masonry Structures

Students without Maths and English at Grade D (Grade O5) or above will have the opportunity to complete Essential Skills to Level 2.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths Grade D and English Grade E;

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths Grade O5 and English Grade O6;

### Assessment

60% Coursework, 40% Exam.

The course is assessed in college in the form of practical tasks carried out in the workshop with task having a theory multiple choice question paper. In addition there is also two theory only online assessed exams.

### Work Placement

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

### Further Study

On successful completion 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

Skills that are in demand are brickwork repair, pointing, rendering, restoration, conservation, stone cladding.

The average Construction salary for Bricklaying jobs is £36,679.



## City & Guilds Level 2 Traineeship Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)

### Course Code

600/0881/7

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required. Cost covered by College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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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. Progressing to Level 3, 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 CV 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 WorldSkills.

### Core Modules

- Level 2 Diploma in Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)

### Optional Modules

- Level 2 NVQ Performing Engineering Operations (PEO)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths and English Grade D;

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths and English Grade O5;

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam.

You will be assessed through a range of online examinations and also a range of practical assessments.

### Work Placement

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

### Further Study

On successful completion of this Level 2 Traineeship 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.





## City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma Horticulture Skills

### Course Code

601/1070/3

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Safety boots and gloves are required.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This one year course provides students with a wide range of skills for employment in horticulture. Students are taught mainly through practical tuition on our sites in Strabane and Springtown. The College has a strong link with CAFRE for progression with clear routes for progression.

The course will involve site visits to CAFRE campus as part of the programme exposing students to the wide range of options available within the Horticulture industry.

Course content includes:

- Horticulture Production (propagation, caring for horticulture crops, etc)
- Landscape and Garden Maintenance (plant identification, assessing soils, using machinery, planting and maintaining plants)

Please note this course will only run subject to adequate numbers.

### Core Modules

Minimum 11 Units required from choice of 50 available. The tutor will tailor the units to student strengths in order to achieve the full Diploma.

### Entry Requirements

No formal qualifications required applicants should have ability to complete qualification. Courses will run subject to minimum class numbers.

### Assessment

70% Coursework, 30% Exam

Majority of the course is practically based but the candidate is required to complete a portfolio of evidence to achieve awarding bodies criteria.

### Work Placement

No work placement requirement to achieve qualification however as part of the programme work placement will be offered as an option for those students wishing to pursue a career in horticulture.

### Further Study

Most Level 2 students take up employment in the industry on completion of the course.

High achieving students may have the opportunity to progress to CAFRE to study City & Guilds Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Horticulture.

The college award winning Careers Academy team will be on hand throughout the year to advise on suitable options for progression.

### Your Future Career

Students can follow career paths in landscape, sports turf, edible or ornamental crop production and retail sectors.







## City & Guilds Level 2 Traineeship Painting and Decorating

**Course Code**  
600/8584/8

**Campus**  
Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

**Length of Study**  
2 Years

**Additional Fees**  
**Uniform:** PPE required. Cost covered by College.

**Awarding Body**  
City & Guilds

**Course Contact**  
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**Non-term time**  
Admissions Office  
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**Progression**



### Course Overview

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, use of abrasive methods like sandblasting to remove old paintwork, and apply finishes with spray-painting equipment.

### Core Modules

- Applying paint systems by brush and roller to complex areas
- Applying standard papers to walls and ceilings
- Producing specialist finishes for decorative work
- Erecting and dismantling access equipment and working platforms
- Creating and applying colour
- Health, safety and welfare in construction
- Principles of building construction, information and communication

### Optional Modules

Depending on Industry need.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G) to include Maths and English Grade E.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5-O8) to include Maths and English O6.

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

60% Coursework, 40% Exam.  
The course is assessed in college in the form of practical tasks carried out in the workshop with task having a theory multiple choice question paper. In addition there is also two theory only online assessed exams.

### Work Placement

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

### 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 course it is possible to progress onto full-time employment on Apprenticeship NI programme.

### Your Future Career

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.



## City & Guilds Level 2 Traineeship Wall and Floor Tiling

**Course Code**  
600/8785/7

**Campus**  
Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

**Length of Study**  
2 Years

**Additional Fees**  
**Uniform:** PPE required. Cost covered by College.

**Awarding Body**  
City & Guilds

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**Non-term time**  
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**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.

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.

### Core Modules

- Health, Safety and Welfare in Construction
- Principles of Building Construction, Information and Communication
- Preparing Backgrounds for Tiling
- Forming Sand and Cement Screeds
- Tile Wall Surfaces
- Tile Floor Surfaces

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G) to include Maths Grade D and English Grade E.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5-O8) to include Maths Grade O5 and English O6.

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

60% Coursework, 40% Exam.  
Online exams and practical assessment.

### Work Placement

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

### 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 Diploma it is possible to progress onto full time employment on Apprenticeship NI programme.

### Your Future Career

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.

Typical salaries:

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





## FDQ Level 2 Traineeship Professional Chef

### Course Code

500/9979/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £100-£150  
(Cost subject to change)

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

The course has been designed to challenge budding chefs in the next step of their academic career path. This programme is an internationally recognised qualification designed to enable students to gain professional culinary skills.

You will train in the production and service 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, where you will prepare and cook a range of foods using a variety of cooking methods.

This course will provide you with a qualification and experience in a range of skills to prepare you for work in professional kitchens. The course covers a full range of basic skills needed to work in the industry.

Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy are also taught at Level 2 as a fundamental part of recipe and menu engineering for the hospitality industry.

### Core Modules

Will be discussed at information session.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths and English Grade E.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths and English Grade O6.

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Interview also required.

### Assessment

Practical coursework / assessments will be completed in the College kitchens and restaurants.

A final assessment will consist of three parts - a multiple choice test, a professional discussion, and a final unit practical assessment.

### Further Study

Progression to Level 3 Apprenticeship in Professional Chef or Patisserie and Baking.

### Your Future Career

You can progress into employment or Apprenticeship training.







## IMI Level 2 Traineeship

### Course Code

500/9689/8

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Cost will be covered by the College.

### 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

An auto body repair operative works in a specialist garage.

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.

Enrichment activities may be included in the course.

European Projects and the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions will be offered. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances your Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities.

Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's CV and may lead to exciting employment opportunities.

### Core Modules

- 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 vehicles

### Optional Modules

As required by Industry.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSE's Grades D-G to include Maths and English (Grade E)

**ROI:** 4 OLC's Grades 05-08 to include Maths and English (06)

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. To complete an apprenticeship a VRQ and VCQ e-portfolio must be successfully achieved which includes written assessment. Online exams also to be successfully completed.

### Work Placement

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

### 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 Diploma or employment status / pre-entry criteria it is possible to progress onto full time employment on Apprenticeship NI programme.

### Your Future Career

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.

Typical salaries:

- Starter - £15,000 to £18,000
- Experienced - £20,000 to £25,000
- Highly Experienced - Up to £30,000







## IMI Level 2 Traineeship Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair

### Course Code

500/9818/4

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees:

**Uniform:** Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Cost covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

Institute of Motor Industry (IMI)

### Course Contact

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### Greystone

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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 work place with the knowledge, skills and understanding gained in the College classroom and workshops enabling you to successfully achieve a Level 2 VRQ 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.

You will also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions. To succeed you require determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic.

### Core Modules

- Vehicle Engine, Chassis and Electrical Systems
- Job Roles
- Health and Safety
- Tools and Materials
- IMI Level 2 Diploma in Vehicle Maintenance and Repair

### Optional Modules

- Maintenance and Repair
- Vehicle Transmission Systems

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G) to include Maths Grade D and English Grade E.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5-O8) to include Maths Grade O5 and English O6.

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam.

The qualification requires you complete an e-portfolio which includes written assessment. This is combined with online exams for each module.

### Work Placement

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

### Further Study

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

### Your Future Career

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 Level 2 Traineeship Hairdressing

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

**Uniform:** £30  
**Kits:** £170

### Awarding Body

Open College Network

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### 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 and Conditioning
- Health, Safety and Science
- Colouring Hair
- Cutting Hair
- Styling, Dressing and Finishing Hair
- Practical Hairdressing Project

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to Maths and English Grade D.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to Maths and English Grade O5.

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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 assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake practical tasks, and online exams.

### Work Placement

Salon experience is embedded into the programme.

### 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.







## OCN NI Level 2 Traineeship Carpentry and Joinery

### Course Code

603/7904/2

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### 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 enables you to 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 the College.

Enrichment activities include personal development workshops on mental health, road safety, and cultural diversity. You will have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions.

Within the Traineeship course you will also take part in real life working projects based around 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:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths Grade D and English Grade E;

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths Grade O5 and English Grade O6;

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Students must complete knowledge and competence qualification Level 2 Diploma in Woodworking Skills from Apprenticeship framework which allows for seamless transition onto Apprenticeship Level 2 programme.

### Work Placement

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

### 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, HNC/D, NEBOSH or a Degree.

### Your Future Career

- Newly trained bench joiners: £14,000 - £17,000
- Trained with experience bench joiners: £20,000 - £35,000
- Senior/master craft bench joiners: £30,000 - £40,000

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 Traineeship Health and Social Care\*

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

1 Year

### 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

The NI Traineeship Level 2 is available to all learners, providing the skills and qualifications necessary to secure employment in their chosen occupation including transition to a Level 2 Apprenticeship during the programme, where relevant.

The NI Traineeship also provides progression to a Level 3 Apprenticeship or alternatively to Level 3 Further Education. This programme provides a high quality, vocational education and training programme at Level 2 and is aimed at school leavers who aspire to work within the Health and Care sector.

You will also gain practical skills and experience to support working within the Health and Care sector.

### Core Modules

- Communication and Handling Information
- Principles and Values
- Health, Safety and Wellbeing
- Professional Development in Health and Social Care
- Practical Health and Social Care Project

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Applicants will be required to hold a minimum of a Level 1 qualification defined as 4 GCSEs at grades D-G including Maths and English Grade E or above or equivalent.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grade O6 or above.

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Students who do not hold Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during this course.

AccessNI check also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. This new and exciting course is assessed through a combination of coursework and practical assessments.

### Work Placement

You will complete work placement within a Health and Care setting.

### Further Study

On completion of the NI Traineeship, you can progress within NWRC to a Level 3 further education course or a Level 3 Apprenticeship (possibly with your work placement employer). This can lead you to higher education options.

### Your Future Career

This programme can support progression to employment within the Health and Care sector.







## City & Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Brickwork

### Course Code

600/7858/3  
600/8083/8

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities safety boots and overalls). Cost covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

Sean Melody  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

As a bricklayer you will work within the Construction Industry both on commercial and residential projects. You will work internally and externally on residential and commercial projects. This is the career for you if you like to interpret drawings, set out, measure, construct and finish.

Enrichment activities and personnel development workshops on mental health and cultural diversity are built into the programme.

Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's CV and may lead to exciting employment opportunities.

### Core Modules

- Erecting Masonry Cladding in the Workplace
- Erecting Masonry to Form Architectural and Decorative Structures
- Setting Out to Form Masonry Structures in the Workplace
- Conforming to General Health and Safety
- Setting Out to Form Masonry Structures in the Workplace
- Developing and Maintaining Good Working Relationships in the Workplace
- Level 3 Diploma in Bricklaying

### Optional Modules

Units relevant to Industry

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English and ICT at Grade C or above; AND Level 2 vocational qualification in Brickwork.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O5 or above AND Level 2 vocational qualification in Brickwork.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed.

Attendance at course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

60% Coursework, 40% Exam. To complete the apprenticeship the candidate is required to complete a Level 3 Diploma e-portfolio and also an NVQ e-portfolio completed with evidence from site.

### Work Placement

You are employed so you attend NWRC one day per week to complete Level 3 qualification and will also be assessed on site by NWRC Brickwork Assessor.

### Further Study

There are options for progression via Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, 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.



## City & Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Carpentry and Joinery

### Course Code

600/7995/2  
602/5962/6

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities safety boots and overalls). Cost covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

Gavin Campbell  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Site carpentry and joinery focus on the installation of the joinery components, and on the setting out and fabrication of timber elements used in construction.

Carpentry and Joinery enables you to 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.

Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of continuing to World Skills. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's CV and may lead to exciting employment opportunities.

### Core Modules

- Level 3 Diploma in Site Carpentry
- Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Wood Occupations (Site Carpentry)

### Entry Requirements

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

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed. A Level 2 qualification in carpentry and joinery is also required. Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework 50% Exam. To complete the apprenticeship the candidate is required to complete a Level 3 Diploma e-portfolio and also a NVQ e-portfolio completed with evidence from site. The units in the NVQ will be discussed with you and your assessor to ensure you are undertaking the correct pathways available within the qualification.

### Work Placement

You will be employed, attending college one day per week for the full academic year. Employment must be maintained to complete the course due to the work based assessment element of the programme.

### Further Study

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

### Your Future Career

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

- Newly trained bench joiners: £14,000 - £17,000
- Trained with experience bench joiners: £20,000 - £30,000
- Senior/master craft bench joiners: £30,000 - £40,000







## City & Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship Dental Nursing

### Course Code

603/7221/7

### Campus

Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

Limavady / Strabane  
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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 & knowledge required of a professional dental nurse.

The programme will 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 & 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

- The impact of health and safety legislation on working practices in the dental setting
- Recognising and supporting actions during first aid and medical emergencies
- The safe use of ionising radiation to produce quality radiographic image
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- Preparing for Professional Practice in Dental Nursing
- Provide information and support to individuals on the protection of their oral health

- Assessment of oral health and planning
- Dental Radiography
- Management of oral health diseases and dental procedures
- First Aid Essentials
- Reducing the risk to health and safety in the dental setting
- The role and responsibilities of a dental nurse
- Prepare and maintain environments, instruments, and equipment for clinical dental procedures
- Principles of infection control in the dental environment
- Provide chairside support for the assessment of patients oral health
- Contribute to the production of dental images
- Provide chairside support for the prevention and control of periodontal disease and caries and the restoration of cavities
- Provide chairside support for the provision of fixed and removable prostheses
- Provide chairside support for non-surgical endodontic treatment
- Provide chairside support for the extraction of teeth and minor oral surgery

### Entry Requirements

ApprenticeshipsNI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland based company and be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including 3 hours of class in College) with one employer.

If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy and

Literacy (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

Interview with course team required to demonstrate the potential to gain the qualification successfully. Attendance at information session also required.

### Assessment

90% Coursework, 10% Exam. Students will be assessed in the workplace and will build a portfolio of evidence of observed practice. They must also successfully complete a synoptic multiple choice tests covering all 11 units. The eleven core units are listed.

### 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







## City & Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Plumbing

### Course Code

600/1122/1

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities (safety boots and overalls) - Additional cost is covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

Joe Porteous  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### 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;  
**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O5 or above.  
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You must also have employment with a N. Ireland registered company confirmed and hold a L2 Plumbing and Heating NVQ prior to entry. Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

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 with GCSE English, Maths and ICT can also become College Lecturers.



## EAL Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Electro-Technical Services

### Course Code

601/7345/2  
600/0665/1

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

4 Years

### Additional Fees

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

### 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 AM2 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.

### Core Modules

- Level 3 Electro-Technical Diploma
- Health & 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

### Optional Modules

As required by industry.

### Entry Requirements

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

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English and Maths at Grade O5 or above.  
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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed. Applicants without ICT at Level 2 must commit to an additional class for this to be achieved in first year of programme.

Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### 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 ApprenticeshipNI guidelines which also support Industry.

### Further Study

Successful candidates can continue to study at Level 4 / 5 and Degree level in subjects such as Electrical Engineering, Design Engineers.

### Your Future Career

There are many options for talented Electricians to work locally, nationally and internationally abroad. Electricians work within both large and small businesses. Many 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 location and experience, but you can expect to earn between £18,000 and £42,000.







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

### Course Code

600/0882/9  
601/1853/2

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

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

### Awarding Body

Engineering Training Council  
Awards Limited (ETCAL)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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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 will 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 CV 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

- Level 3 Diploma in Fabrication and Welding
- Level 3 NVQ in Fabrication and Welding Performance Operations (PEO)

### Optional Modules

As required by industry

### Entry Requirements

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

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O5 or above and Level 2 vocational qualification in Fabrication and Welding.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed. Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### 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 one 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

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

All of our lecturers in Welding and Fabrication completed their Level 3 Apprenticeship and joined the teaching team after experience working in industry.

Salary estimates:

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





## ETCAL Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Mechanical Engineering

### Course Code

601//0882/9 (City & Guilds)  
600/2253/X (ETCAL)

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** £20-40, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds / ETCAL

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

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 3 is a two year programme in mechanical engineering in which candidates will undergo broad based training in precision machining lathe turning, milling, detail fitting, welding and basic electrical wiring and testing. In addition candidates will be enrolled on a C&G Level 3 Diploma in an Engineering Technical Certificate.

On completion of the Level 3 framework the candidate can progress to Level a higher level of study, leading to higher level qualifications to meet each company/ candidates requirements.

### Core Modules

- ETCAL Level 3 NVQ in Mechanical Engineering Manufacturing
- ETCAL Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Engineering Maintenance
- City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Engineering (2850-34)

### Optional Modules

Units relevant to Industry requirements.

### Entry Requirements

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

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade 05 or above and Level 2 vocational qualification in Mechanical Engineering.

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Applicants must also have confirmed employment with a Northern Ireland registered company.

Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### 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 / Level 5 and 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.

Many of your lecturers have also come through the Apprenticeship programme, and in some cases the Degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Average salaries within the industry:

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







## IMI Level 3 Apprenticeship NI

# Motor Light Vehicle Body Repair

### Course Code

500/9692/8  
500/9809/3

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities (safety boots and overalls) - Costs are covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

Institute of the 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 and ICT at Grade C or above AND Level 2 vocational qualification in Light Vehicle Body Repair.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O5 or above AND Level 2 vocational qualification in Light Vehicle Body Repair.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company confirmed and Level 2 in vehicle accident and repair. Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam.  
To complete an apprenticeship a VRQ and VCQ e-portfolio must be successfully achieved.

### Work Placement

You will be employed, and you should attend NWRC one day per week to complete Level 3 qualification and will also be assessed in workplace by an 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

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.

- Starter - £15,000 to £18,000
- Experienced - £21,000 to £27,000
- Highly Experienced - Up to £35,000





## IMI Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair

### Course Code

500/9815/9

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities (safety boots and overalls) - Costs are covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

Do you enjoy looking under the bonnet of a car and want to learn about diagnostics, repair, replacement and maintenance?

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

Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student's Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities.

### 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

- Diagnosis and Rectification of Light Vehicle Transmission Faults

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English and ICT at Grade C or above AND Level 2 vocational qualification in Motor Vehicle Maintenance Repair.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O5 or above and Level 2 vocational qualification in Motor Vehicle Maintenance Repair.

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You must also have employment with a Northern Ireland registered company confirmed.

Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### 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

### Your Future Career

On successful completion of Level 3 qualification progression can be to Level 4 / 5 and Degree programmes.

### Your Future Career

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.

Average salaries within the industry:

- Starter - £18,000
- Experienced - £21,000 to £27,000
- Highly Experienced - £28,000 to £35,000







## NOCN Level 3 Apprenticeship Wall and Floor Tiling

### Course Code

500/4254/3  
603/5463/X

### Campus

Springtown (Derry~Londonderry)  
Greystone (Limavady)

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

**Uniform:** PPE required for workshop activities (safety boots and overalls) - Costs are covered by the College.

### Awarding Body

NOCN

### Course Contact

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### Greystone

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification enables the learner, to demonstrate and recognise your skills, knowledge and understanding so you can work as a Wall and Floor Tiler within the construction industry.

During the course the learner will be trained to industry standard and assessed against the awarding body criteria. The full apprenticeship qualification is also mapped to the Apprenticeship Framework N.Ireland resulting in the learner undertaking a Level 3 Diploma and a Level 3 NVQ qualification. The Level 3 Diploma will be achieved within the College using a range of learning and assessment.

The Level 3 NVQ will be achieved by evidence gathered from the workplace and also assessed on site by a college lecturer.

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.

### Core Modules

- Produce tiles, mosaic and stone surface finishes
- Provide drainage for tiled surfaces
- Produce Internal and external sand and cement backgrounds
- Prepare the background and tile out a wet room
- Knowledge of building methods and construction technology

- Knowledge of information, quantities and communicating with others
- Know how to carry out safe working practices in construction
- Building methods and construction technology
- NOCN Level 3 NVQ in wall and floor tiling (QUA851)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** GCSE Maths, English and ICT at Grade C or above AND Level 2 vocational qualification in Wall and Floor tiling is required prior to course entry.

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade O5 or above AND Level 2 vocational qualification in Motor Vehicle Maintenance Repair.

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You must also have employment with a N.Ireland registered company.

Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam.

To achieve the Level 3 Diploma a mix of online exams and Practical Assessment will be undertaken at the college and a e-portfolio completed.

The NVQ is based on evidence gathered from the workplace and evidence from lectures site visits to complete an e-portfolio.

### Work Placement

You are employed so your attendance at NWRC is one day per week to complete the Level 3 qualification and you will also be assessed on site by NWRC Assessor.

### Further Study

On completion of this qualification you will have obtained the skills, knowledge and understanding to progress on to a higher level supervisory or management qualifications to include the Higher National Certificate / Diploma, NEBOSH and Degree options.

### Your Future Career

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.

Average salaries within the industry:

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





## OCN NI Level 3 Apprenticeship Health and Social Care

### Course Code

603/6716/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
(OCN NI)

### Course Contact

Louise Henry  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Students initially complete the Level 3 Certificate Induction into Adult Social Care and continue to the Level 3 Diploma 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.

### 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
- Moving and Handling

### Entry Requirements

ApprenticeshipsNI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland based company and be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including 3 hours of class in College) with one employer.

If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

Interview and attendance at course information session also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. The qualification is formed of mandatory and optional units. The mandatory units cover core competencies that have been categorised around four key themes.

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.

### 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.



## Level 3 Apprenticeship NI Housing Practice

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

TBC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is aimed at those who are 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 qualification focuses on the technical skills and knowledge required of a professional housing officer. The units 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. Subject to Approval.

### Core Modules

- Understanding the Housing Sector
- Professional Practice Skills
- Customer Service
- Managing Leasehold Housing Properties
- Managing Empty Properties

### Entry Requirements

The Housing Practice Apprenticeship NI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland based company.

Must 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 and Literacy (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

Interview with course team required to demonstrate the potential to gain the qualification successfully.

Attendance at an information session is also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. 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 Diploma study 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.







## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Technical Apprenticeship Construction (Civil Engineering)

### Course Code

603/1217/8

### 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

NWRC is the education provider for this course which is designed for learners wishing to gain an apprenticeship within the Civil Engineering industry. This course will provide you with the skills and knowledge you need to start working and/or pursue a career in Civil Engineering.

Admission to the course is dependent on already having employment from a Civil Engineering company. You must also meet the entry criteria for the apprenticeship programme. Further information as to how you can apply for an apprenticeship can be found through Apprenticeship Connect (NI).

The apprenticeship course is a 2 year, full-time course and is equivalent in size to 2 A-levels. One extended day will be spent at NWRC and four 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 college.

### 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

Applicants must be in employment or have secured employment with a relevant employer prior to commencing the course and meet the entry criteria below:

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

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Mathematics; OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit.

### Assessment

33% Coursework, 67% Exam. The Diploma 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 in Construction and the Built Environment (Civil Engineering) or a Higher-Level Apprenticeship at NWRC. Students could also progress to a foundation degree or 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.



# Art & Design



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- > Fashion Designer
- > Illustrator
- > Graphic Designer
- > Web Designer
- > Animator
- > Sculptor
- > Tattoo Artist
- > Photographer

...plus many more!



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**Art at NWRC is about more than drawing and painting - there is sculpture, printmaking, digital design, and professional practices.**

**Jack McDonald**  
UAL Level 3 Art & Design

*Jack is now studying Product Design at Ulster University, and is hoping to progress into furniture 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

### 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



**ual:** awarding body

### Course Overview

If you have committed your career to Art and Design then this course will provide you with the creative experience you've 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 One

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

#### Year Two:

- 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 (e.g. Moving image / Digital / Design).

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include Art, OR Leaving Cert Applied.

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As well as the required academic qualifications, applicants must attend an interview, during which you will present a portfolio of recent work.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assessments are portfolio-based and include sketch book work, presentations and written work. Students must successfully complete Units 1-2 in Year 1 before moving onto Unit 3. In Year 2 they must complete Units 4-5 before moving onto Unit 6.

### Further Study

This course has a track record of progressing students to 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

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

University of the Arts London (UAL)

### Course Contact:

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



**ual:** awarding body

### Course Overview

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

This course 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's 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, that many students may never have had the opportunity to try before.

Work is project-led and assessed through coursework which allows you to monitor your progress.

### Core Modules

#### Year One

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

#### Year Two:

- 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).

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 05 or above)

to include Art; OR Leaving Cert Applied. As well as the required academic qualifications, you will be interviewed, during which your portfolio of recent work must be presented.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assessments are portfolio-based and include sketch book work, presentations and written work.

Students must successfully complete Units 1-2 in Year 1 before moving onto Unit 3, and in Year 2 students must complete Units 4-5 before moving onto 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 & Design course, or a HND programme at NWRC.

Successful completion will also allow you to progress to degree level at your chosen university.

### UCAS Tariff Points

This course is accredited by the University of the Arts London (UAL) and is equivalent to 3 A-Levels over two years (extended diploma).

### Diploma

- Pass = 36
- Merit = 60
- Distinction = 84

### Extended Diploma

- Pass = 72
- Merit = 120
- Distinction = 168

### 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
- marketing,
- TV / Film industry
- tattoo artists





## UAL Level 3 Foundation Diploma Art and Design

### Course Code

603/3138/0

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

University of the Arts London  
(UAL)

### Course Contact

#### Derry~Londonderry

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#### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



**ual:** awarding  
body

### Course Overview

The aim of this qualification 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.

This course is included in the UCAS tariff and attracts tariff points of: Pass=80, Merit=96, Distinction=112.

Erasmus opportunities are often available during course study, which allow students to work and study abroad - See page 16 for details.

### Core Modules

During the 1 year course you will study three mandatory units:

- UNIT 1 Diagnostic Investigation into Creative Practice
- UNIT 2: Developing Specialist Practice
- UNIT 4: Consolidating Practice

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 5 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art or Design and 1 A-Level; OR equivalent Level 3 Qualification in Art & Design or relevant creative subject.

You will be required to attend an interview session and must present an A-Level / Leaving Cert standard portfolio.

**ROI:** 5 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include Art, OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit/Dist; OR FETAC Award – 8 subjects.

You will be required to attend an interview session and must present an A-Level / Leaving Cert standard portfolio.

### Assessment

100% Coursework.

Assessments are portfolio based and include sketchbook work, written work and presentations. Units 1 - 2 must be successfully completed to allow for progression to Unit 4 (graded at Pass, Merit or Distinction).

### Further Study

Successful participants can progress to higher level study within NWRC:

- HND in Art & Design (Art Practice),
- HND in Art and Design (Textiles),
- HND in Digital Design
- HNC in Graphic Design

Students can also progress 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 and Victoria's Secret Lingerie
- Graphic design
- Teaching and lecturing
- Glass design
- Interior design for Ikea
- Fashion and news photography
- Program production with the BBC
- Fashion/jewellery design
- Book and TV animation
- Product design for Lego

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







## Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Art and Design (Arts Practice)

### Course Code

603/0909/X

### 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 course offers you the opportunity to experience a range of 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.

You will be exposed to some of the most contemporary practices in Fine Art including digital multimedia and installation work and will provide opportunities for you to exhibit your work to the public. The course will support both intellectual and practical skills development in a stimulating and friendly environment, offering an introduction to the subject area via a mandatory core of learning as well as selected optional units.

### Core Modules

- Professional Development
- Contextual Studies
- Individual Project (Pearson set)
- Techniques and Processes
- Media Practices
- Material Practices
- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice Collaborative project (Pearson set)
- Advanced Art Practice Studies

### Optional Modules

- Communication in Art and Design
- Principles of Life drawing
- Advanced Life Drawing
- Moving Image
- Conceptual Practice

### 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 (Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy will also be accepted); OR Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design; Level 3 Art and Design Foundation Diploma; or equivalent Level 3 qualification.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS points and 4 OLCs subjects at Leaving Cert (Grade 04 or above) which must include Art, English and Maths.

Entry is subject to a successful interview, where you will be asked to bring along a portfolio of your existing work.

We also welcome applications from mature students who will be considered individually based on experience rather than qualifications.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assessment is based upon individual submission of practical work, sketchbooks, presentations and written assignments / reports.

### 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.

### Your Future Career

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







## Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Art and Design (Textiles)

### Course Code

603/0909/X

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This is an intensive 2 year course offering the opportunity to experience a wide range of textile practices and design skills through exploration and experimentation with textile processes, materials and ideas.

The 1st year of the course will encourage you to explore a variety of techniques, including printed and embellished textiles, weave and multi-media textiles before more specialist work in 2nd year where you will refine ideas to produce more resolved design outcomes.

The course is intended to provide you with a framework to support you to develop in-depth knowledge and skills associated with this specialist subject. This course will encourage both practical and intellectual skills in a stimulating and supportive environment.

### Core Modules

- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice Collaborative Project (Pearson-set)
- Advanced Textile Studies
- Professional Development
- Contextual Studies
- Individual Project (Pearson-set)
- Techniques and Processes
- Computer Aided Design (CAD)
- Fashion and Textiles Practices

### Optional Modules

Surface Design; Advanced Art Practice; Accessories; Material Selection and Specification.

Optional modules may change depending upon curriculum needs.

### 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 (Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy will also be accepted); OR Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design, Level 3 Art and Design Foundation Diploma or equivalent Level 3 qualification.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS points and 4 OLCs subjects at Leaving Cert (Grade 04 or above) which must include Art, English and Maths.

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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. Attendance at an information session is required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assessment will be based upon research work, practical work and presentations

### Further Study

Students have progressed to Universities in the UK. Some have made direct entry into the final year whilst others have progressed to Year 1 or 2 of an Honours Degree (This is at the discretion of the university).

### Your Future Career

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





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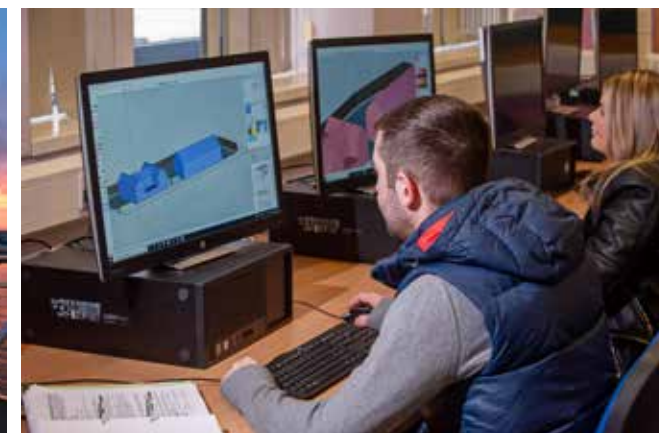
## Career Paths

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

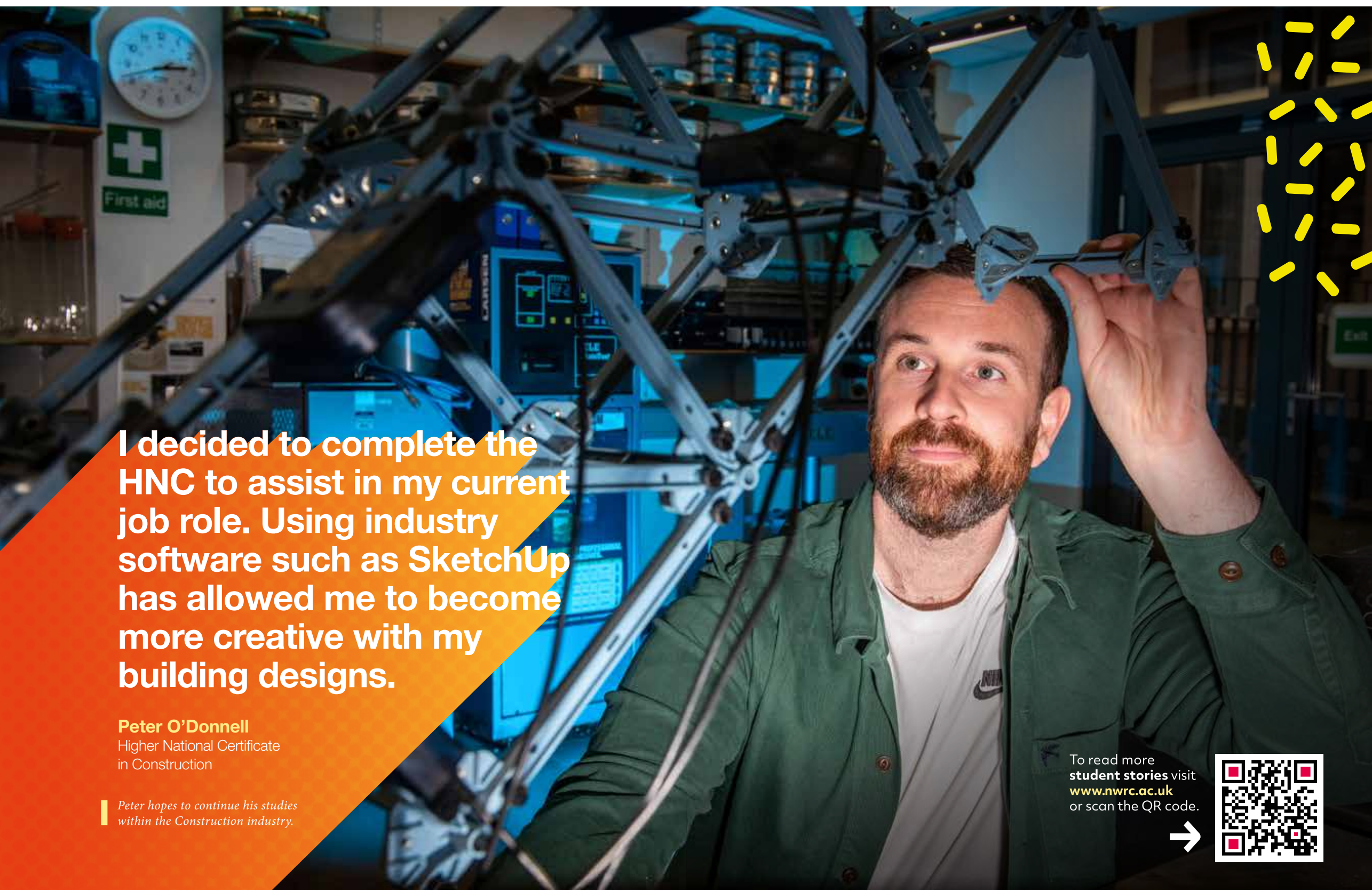
...plus many more!



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**I decided to complete the HNC to assist in my current job role. Using industry software such as SketchUp has allowed me to become more creative with my building designs.**

**Peter O'Donnell**  
Higher National Certificate  
in Construction

*Peter hopes to continue his studies within the Construction industry.*

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## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Technical Apprenticeship Construction (Civil Engineering)

### Course Code

603/1217/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

NWRC is the education provider for this course which is designed for learners wishing to gain an apprenticeship within the Civil Engineering industry. This course will provide you with the skills and knowledge you need to start working and/or pursue a career in Civil Engineering.

Admission to the course is dependent on already having employment from a Civil Engineering company. You must also meet the entry criteria for the apprenticeship programme. Further information as to how you can apply for an apprenticeship can be found through Apprenticeship Connect (NI).

The apprenticeship course is a 2 year, full-time course and is equivalent in size to 2 A-levels. One extended day will be spent at NWRC and four 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 college.

### 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

Applicants must be in employment or have secured employment with a relevant employer prior to commencing the course and meet the entry criteria below:

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

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Mathematics; OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit.

### Assessment

33% Coursework, 67% Exam. The Diploma 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 in Construction and the Built Environment (Civil Engineering) or a Higher-Level Apprenticeship at NWRC. Students could also progress to a foundation degree or 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.



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

### Course Code

603/0861/8

### 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 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, including Higher National Diploma, Foundation Degree or other degree programmes. 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 in the construction sector.

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 and 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:** 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. Six units are internally assessed (coursework) and three are externally assessed requiring learners to sit an examination.

A further six optional units which are also internally assessed make up the remainder of the course.

### Further Study

Successful completion of this qualification will allow you to progress to Higher National Diploma, Foundation Degree or relevant degree courses within NWRC.

You can also progress to university to study in areas including:

- Architecture
- Architectural Technology
- Civil Engineering
- Quantity Surveying
- Planning
- Building Services Engineering
- 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 4/5 Higher National Certificate/Diploma Modern Construction and Renewables

### Course Code

610/0928/3 (HNC)  
610/0929/5 (HND)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC) / 2 Years (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed to equip students with the skills, knowledge and the understanding necessary to achieve high performance in the global built environment and renewable technologies construction sector. Construction and the Built Environment is a priority skills area and there are many opportunities for those qualified in this area to progress into employment as designers, engineers, contractors or as consultants.

The Higher National Certificate and Diploma qualifications have been updated for 2023 to link more directly to sector career pathways. The course will allow you the opportunity to find your specialism/ pathway in the areas of Construction Management, Architectural Technology, Modern Methods of Construction, Quantity Surveying or Civil Engineering.

In Year 1 of the course, you will complete a Higher National Certificate in a chosen construction pathway. Successful completion of Year 1 will allow you to progress into Year 2 and complete the Higher National Diploma qualification.

The course will provide you with an understanding of the way technologies are transforming the industries of construction, renewable technologies and the built environment to prepare you to work with these technologies within a challenging and rewarding industry.

### Core Modules

- Construction Design Project (Pearson-set)
- Construction Technology
- The Construction Environment
- Tender & Procurement
- Digital applications for Construction Information
- Building Information Modelling
- Group Project (Pearson-set)
- Personal Professional Development

### Optional Modules

- Advanced Construction Drawing and Detailing
- Construction Technology for Complex Buildings Projects
- Measurement and Estimating
- Legal and Statutory Requirements in Construction
- Science and Materials
- Civil Engineering Technology
- Principles of Off-site Construction

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points and minimum of GCSE English and Mathematics at Grade C or above.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points and minimum of 5 OLCs at Grade 04 or above to include English and Mathematics.

### SSE Renewables Scholarship

Students who enrol on the HNC/D programme are also eligible to apply for an SSE Renewables Scholarship. Successful students, who meet criteria for the award, receive a bursary equal to half of their course tuition fees.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. The course consists of core units (which are mandatory), specialist units (which have been designed to provide a specific occupational focus to the qualification) and optional units. The make-up of units will depend on the sector career pathway chosen.

Units are assessed in several ways including written assignments, research work, group activities, practical work and presentations.

### Further Study

Successful completion of the HNC course will allow students to progress to the Level 5 Higher National Diploma qualification at NWRC or to another higher education qualification such as a university degree in a construction, renewable technologies or a built environment related area.

Students who complete the HND qualification can be offered second year entry to built environment programmes at University, subject to meeting their entry requirements.

Successful completion of the HND at NWRC allows students to gain direct entry to Year 2 of the BSc (Hons) in Architectural Technology and BSc (Hons) in Construction Management courses at Atlantic Technological University (ATU) Donegal, formerly LYIT, subject to university requirement approval.

Students can also choose to study the Tender and Procurement unit as part of their qualification which will allow direct entry into Year 2 of the professionally accredited BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying course at ATU.

### Your Future Career

This is an industry recognised qualification.

In developing the programme, the Awarding Body, Pearson BTEC, have aligned content to meet requirements of a number of professional bodies, including the Institution of Civil Engineers, Chartered Institute of Architectural technologists and the Chartered Institute of Building.

The course will prepare students for employment in a range of careers in construction and the built environment either with design consultants, contractors or the public sector.

Career paths include:

- Architectural Technology
- Civil Engineering
- Building Services Engineering
- Quantity Surveying
- Construction Management

## SSE Renewables Scholarship

Enrol on the HNC/D and you could have 50% of your tuition fee paid for.

# Business



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## Career Paths

- › Project Manager
- › Entrepreneur
- › Accountant
- › Customer Service Officer
- › Financial Advisor
- › Marketing Manager
- › Personal Assistant
- › Business Analyst

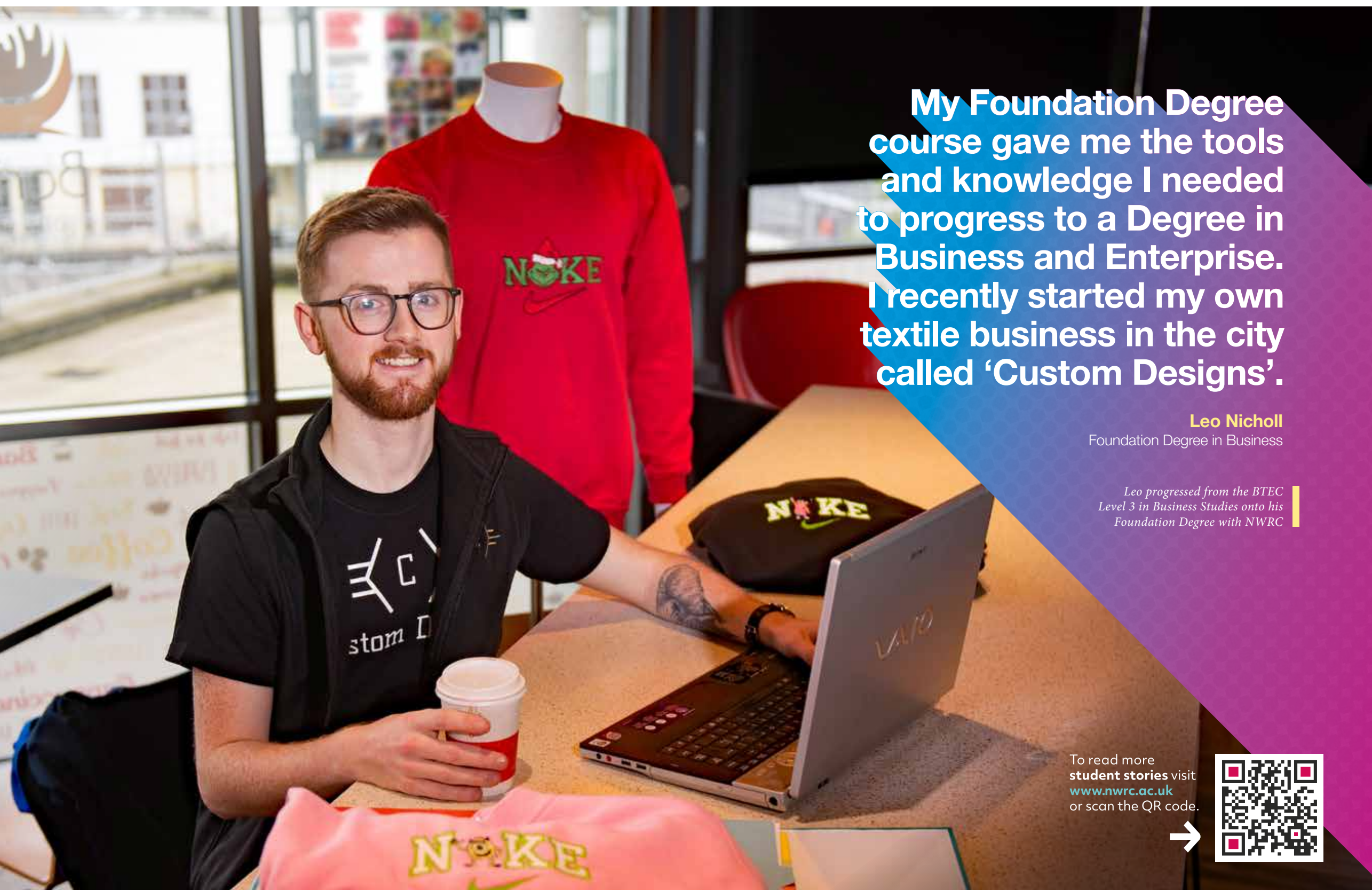
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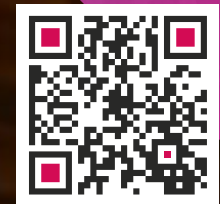


**My Foundation Degree course gave me the tools and knowledge I needed to progress to a Degree in Business and Enterprise. I recently started my own textile business in the city called 'Custom Designs'.**

**Leo Nicholl**  
Foundation Degree in Business

*Leo progressed from the BTEC Level 3 in Business Studies onto his Foundation Degree with NWRC*

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## Pearson BTEC Level 1 / Level 2 Certificate Work Skills

### Course Code

600/4220/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Oxford Cambridge and RSA (OCR)

### Course Contact

Elizabeth Earley  
028 7127 6337  
elizabeth.earley@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Are you unclear of your preferred career path?

The Work Skills course is offered at Level 1 and Level 2. During an information and advice session you will receive advice and guidance on the course level that will suit your individual needs.

Our courses provide opportunities to gain skills to help you progress into employment or on to further studies at the College. These qualifications focus on developing personal life skills, employability skills, essential skills in Literacy, Numeracy and ICT, skills for business enterprise and specialised crafts.

You will be given the opportunity to achieve the following qualifications:

### Certificate in Work Skills

- Searching for a job
- Career progression
- Applying for a job
- Planning an enterprise activity
- Preparing for an interview
- Running an enterprise activity
- Interview skills

### Occupational Studies

- Business Enterprise
- Specialised Crafts and Animation
- Essential Skills in Literacy, Numeracy and ICT

### 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, Numeracy and ICT

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 1 requires no formal qualifications; Level 2 requires 2 GCSEs (Grade D-F).

**ROI:** Level 1 requires no formal qualifications; Level 2 requires 2 OLCs (Grade O5-O7).

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Attendance at information session is required. Interview required for entry onto Level 2.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assessment for Workskills units is via assignments and project research. Essential Skills Literacy and Numeracy at Level 1 and Level 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 entry level employment opportunities.



## OCR Level 2 Cambridge Technical Diploma Business

### Course Code

600/4220/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Oxford Cambridge and RSA (OCR)

### Course Contact

Elizabeth Earley  
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elizabeth.earley@nwrc.ac.uk

### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course provides the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to prepare for employment in different sectors of Business such as Administration, Retail and Tourism. It offers learners the opportunity for a programme of study to:

- Prepare for further learning or training,
- Develop essential knowledge, transferable skills and personal skills in a subject area that interests them, with the aim of enhancing their employability
- Move into different areas of employment, develop their knowledge and skills as part of their continuing professional development
- Achieve a nationally recognised vocational qualification

You will carry out research into different types of businesses within the various sectors, and you will be assessed through the completion of projects and assignments, based on realistic workplace situations and activities.

Students will also have the opportunity to complete Essential Skills Level 2 in Communication, Application of Number and OCN Level 2 Award in Social Media.

### Core Modules

- Business Purposes
- Business Organisations
- Financial Forecasting for Business
- People in Organisations
- The Marketing Plan

### Optional Modules

- Verbal and Non-verbal Communication in Business Contexts
- Business Communication through Documentation
- Personal Selling in Business
- Customer Relations in Business
- Business Online

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above);  
**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O6 or above).

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assessment will be through assignments and research projects.

### Work Placement

You will also be required to complete one week's work placement each term. These placements will include Administration, Retail and Tourism.

### Further Study

The qualification is equivalent to 5 GCSEs A\* - C, and will allow you to apply to a range of Level 3 courses including BTEC Level 3 Business.

### Your Future Career

The course will also offer you the opportunity to enter employment within a range of junior roles across the business sector.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma Business with Extended Certificate in IT

### Course Code

601/7161/3 (Diploma Business)  
601/7575/8 (Ext Certificate IT)

### Campus

Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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angela.mcintyre@nwrc.ac.uk

### 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 qualifications at level 3. Equivalent to 3 A-Levels, this course combines both Business and IT allowing you to progress to further study in both subject areas.

The course will provide the knowledge, understanding and skills necessary if you wish to pursue a career in either Business or IT. It is designed to meet the needs of employers and allow progression to higher study via a Foundation Degree in Business and Enterprise (validated by Ulster University) at NWRC or a Foundation Degree in Information Technologies (Validated by Ulster University).

### Exploring Business

- Exploring Business
- Developing a Marketing Campaign
- Personal and Business Finance
- Managing an Event
- International Business
- Principles of Management
- Information Technology Systems
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Using Social Media in Business

### Optional Modules

- Recruitment and Selection
- Work Experience in Business
- Website Development

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English AND Mathematics or equivalent. Level 2 Diploma in

IT or Business with English and Mathematics GCSE Grade C or equivalent.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English AND Mathematics OR Leaving Cert Applied - Merit.

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

**Assessment**  
60% Coursework; 40% Exam.

Assessment includes assignments and externally set examinations/case studies practical timed exam.

### Further Study

After completing the Level 3 qualification you may progress on to a number of higher level study options, including:

- Foundation Degree in Business and Enterprise;
- Foundation Degree in Information Technologies
- BSc (Hons) Business with specialisms at Ulster University
- Business related Degree programmes at other UK universities

### Your Future Career

Successful completion of this qualification will enable you to apply for entry level employment in the fields of Business, Management or Information Technology.

**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**





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

### Business

#### Course Code

601/7161/3 (Foundation Diploma)  
600/7160/1 (Extended Diploma)

#### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

#### 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

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 course 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 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, 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

- Team Building in Business
- Digital Marketing
- Pitching for a New Business
- Investigating Customer Service

#### 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 Essential Skills Numeracy during this course.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) including English or equivalent or Leaving Cert Applied - Merit. If you do not hold an OLC Grade O5 (or above) or equivalent in Maths, you will be expected to complete Essential Skills Numeracy during this course.

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

#### 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 Finance, Human Resource Management, Management or Marketing.



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

#### Course Code

N/A

#### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

#### Length of Study

2 Years (Full-Time)  
2.5 Years (Part-Time)

#### Additional Fees

Exam fee may apply

#### Awarding Body

Ulster University

#### Course Contact

Gerry Gallagher  
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#### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

#### Progression



#### Course Overview

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

#### Core Modules

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

#### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS Tariff points + GCSE Maths Grade C or equivalent (e.g. Essential Skills Level 2 Numeracy); AND GCSE English Grade C or equivalent (e.g. Essential Skills Level 2 Communication).

Access: 50% (includes Level 2 in Communications and Mathematics);

**ROI:** 64 UCAS Tariff points equivalent + OLC (Grade O4 or above) in English and Maths; Access: 50% (includes Level 2 in Communications and Mathematics);

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Applicants who do not meet the formal entry requirements may be eligible to apply through Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL). For more details see page 18.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

#### Assessment

70% Coursework; 30% Exam. Assessment includes assignments and externally set examinations and case studies.

#### Work Placement

Work placement takes place in the second year of the course, 2-3 days per week over 24 weeks.

#### Further Study

This course is a 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 at Magee subject to entry criteria).

Students who choose this option would see completion of a BSc (Hons) Business degree in three years full-time study (e.g. two years at NWRC, plus one year at Magee).

#### Your Future Career

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



# Care & Health



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## Career Paths

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



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**My course prepared me so well for University. I'd say to anyone who didn't finish their education, for whatever reason to take the plunge, it was the best thing I ever did.**

**Bronagh Parke**

Access Diploma in Health and Welfare

*Bronagh is now studying to be a nurse at Ulster University.*





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

### Course Code

601/3888/9

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
(OCN NI)

### Course Contact

**Derry~Londonderry**  
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### Limavady

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### Non-term time

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 and Level 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, and Health Education
- Information Technology
- Retail

### Optional Modules

- Healthy Living
- Joinery
- Art
- Drama
- Project Based Learning
- Alcohol Awareness
- Catering
- Life Skills and First Aid

### Entry Requirements

Meeting with course team.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Includes written assignments and creating products, e.g. Bird table in joinery.

### 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 Diploma First Diploma Health and Social Care

### Course Code

601/0170/2

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Materials: £10

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

Jacqueline Turner  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is equivalent to GCSEs and is designed as an introduction to the health and social care sector. 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 the Level 3 pathways such as Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care/Health Studies/Health Sciences.

### 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 GCSEs Grade D-G or above;  
**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grade O6 or above.

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Note: Students who do not hold Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during this course.

### 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.

### Further Study

Students who have successfully completed this qualification may be able to progress to Level 2 Traineeship Health and Social Care.

### 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.





## OCN NI Level 2 Traineeship Health and Social Care\*

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Open College Network NI  
(OCN NI)

### Course Contact

Jacqueline Turner  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

The NI Traineeship Level 2 is available to all learners, providing the skills and qualifications necessary to secure employment in their chosen occupation including transition to a Level 2 Apprenticeship during the programme, where relevant.

The NI Traineeship also provides progression to a Level 3 Apprenticeship or alternatively to Level 3 Further Education. This programme provides a high quality, vocational education and training programme at Level 2 and is aimed at school leavers who aspire to work within the Health and Care sector.

You will also gain practical skills and experience to support working within the Health and Care sector.

### Core Modules

- Communication and Handling Information
- Principles and Values
- Health, Safety and Wellbeing
- Professional Development in Health and Social Care
- Practical Health and Social Care Project

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Applicants will be required to hold a minimum of a Level 1 qualification defined as 4 GCSEs at grades D-G including Maths and English Grade E or above or equivalent.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs Grade O6 or above.

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Students who do not hold Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during this course.

AccessNI check also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. This new and exciting course is assessed through a combination of coursework and practical assessments.

### Work Placement

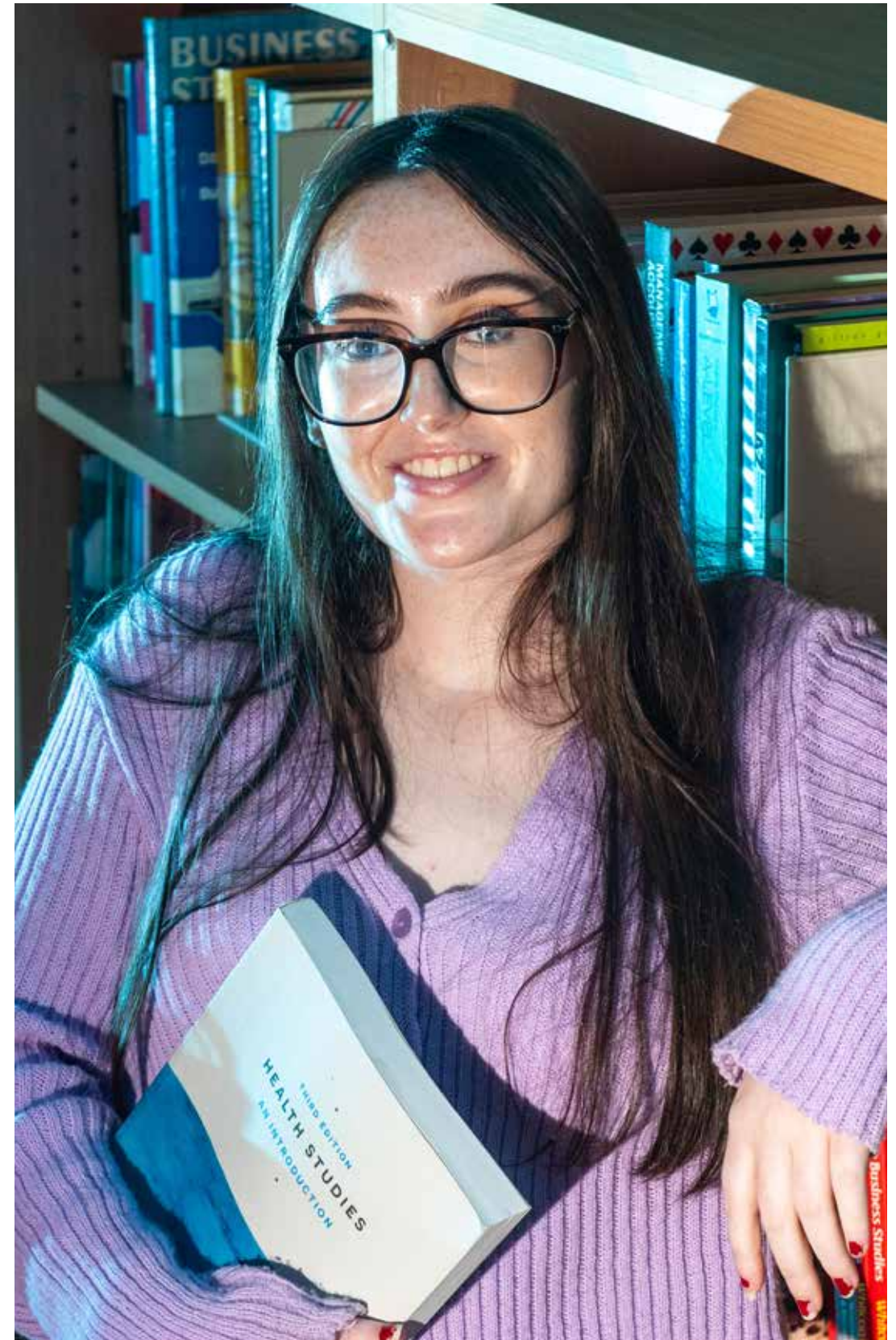
You will complete work placement within a Health and Care setting.

### Further Study

On completion of the NI Traineeship, you can progress within NWRC to a Level 3 further education course or a Level 3 Apprenticeship (possibly with your work placement employer). This can lead you to higher education options.

### Your Future Career

This programme can support progression to employment within the Health and Care sector.



\*Subject to validation





## City & Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship Dental Nursing

### Course Code

603/7221/7

### Campus

Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### 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 skills and knowledge to enable progression within their chosen area of work or in a specialist area. The qualification focuses on the technical skills & knowledge required of a professional dental nurse.

The programme will 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 & 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

- The impact of health and safety legislation on working practices in the dental setting
- Recognising and supporting actions during first aid and medical emergencies
- The safe use of ionising radiation to produce quality radiographic image
- Preparing for Professional Practice in Dental Nursing
- Provide information and support to individuals on the protection of their oral health
- Assessment of oral health and planning
- Dental Radiography

- Management of oral health diseases and dental procedures
- First Aid Essentials
- Reducing the risk to health and safety in the dental setting
- The role and responsibilities of a dental nurse
- Prepare and maintain environments, instruments, and equipment for clinical dental procedures
- Principles of infection control in the dental environment
- Provide chairside support for the assessment of patients' oral health
- Contribute to the production of dental images
- Provide chairside support for the prevention and control of periodontal disease and caries and the restoration of cavities
- Provide chairside support for the provision of fixed and removable prostheses
- Provide chairside support for non-surgical endodontic treatment
- Provide chairside support for the extraction of teeth and minor oral surgery

### Entry Requirements

ApprenticeshipsNI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland based company and be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including 3 hours of class in College) with one employer.

If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

Interview with course team required to demonstrate the potential to gain the qualification successfully. Attendance at information session also required.

### Assessment

90% Coursework, 10% Exam. Students will be assessed in the workplace and will build a portfolio of evidence of observed practice. They must also successfully complete a synoptic multiple choice test covering all eleven units.

### 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  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### 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

Students initially complete the Level 3 Certificate Induction into Adult Social Care and continue to the Level 3 Diploma 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 recognised 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.

### 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
- Moving and Handling

### Entry Requirements

ApprenticeshipsNI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland based company and be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including 3 hours of class in College) with one employer.

If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course.

Attendance at a course information session also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. The qualification is formed of mandatory and optional units. The mandatory units cover core competencies that have been categorised around four key themes.

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.

### 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 National Extended Diploma Health Studies (Health Science Pathway)

### Course Code

601/7198/4

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### 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.

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.

Students must also complete mandatory placements in a range of care and health settings.

### 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 and Social Care – Merit or above and GCSE (Grade C or above) in either English or Maths.

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:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) - including one of the following English, Maths or Science OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

70% Coursework, 30% Exam. The 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 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

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
- Podiatry
- Diagnostic Radiography
- Therapeutic Radiotherapy
- 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

Many students, via valued work placement, have gained employment in the health sector.

Fields 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.





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma / Extended Diploma / Advanced Vocational Technical Award (AVTA)

# Health and Social Care

### Course Code

601/7199/6 (Foundation Diploma)  
601/7198/4 (Extended Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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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.

### 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
- Promoting Public Health

- Physiological Disorders and their Care
- Policy in Health and Social Care
- Caring for Individuals with Dementia
- Understanding Mental Wellbeing
- 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 Wellbeing Policy in Health and Social Care

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English; or Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care, Merit or above + GCSE English (Grade C or above), or Equivalent.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) + Must have an English qualification (OLC Grade 04 or above).

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Attendance at course information session is required for all applicants.

### Assessment

70% Coursework, 30% Exam.  
Units are internally and externally assessed by coursework and exams

### 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 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 Healthcare Practice\*

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Open University (OU)

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



\*Subject to validation

### Course Overview

This is a new, innovative and challenging programme for those wishing to progress to the undergraduate Nursing degree with the Open University. You will study modules and gain relevant skills, knowledge and experience for working in a modern healthcare environment. You will also complete practice hours in a hospital setting.

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

- Introduction to Healthcare Practice
- Introduction to Health and Social Care
- Work Placement in Health and Social Care

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points or equivalent plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or equivalent (Essential Skills Level 2) OR Extended Diploma – MPP profile plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or equivalent (Essential Skills Level 2); OR Access - 45%.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points or above. Students must also have English and Maths at Grade 05 and above (equivalent to pass in GCSE);

PLEASE NOTE: Whilst ILC 05/D1 is acceptable for English Leaving

Cert Ordinary for entry to this Level 4 programme, students must be made aware that they should check the criteria for progression to their universities of choice as university entry requirements vary.

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Information Session, Access NI Check and interview required for all applicants.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. This course is assessed using a range of methods including coursework, presentations, portfolios, class tests, reports, simulated assessment and in-practice assessment.

### Work Placement

In addition, all students must complete a practice placement within a healthcare setting which will also be assessed.

### Further Study

Students can progress onto degree pathways including the undergraduate degree in Nursing with the Open University.

However, please note that it is the responsibility of the applicant to check each university's progression requirements 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 and/or employment in the healthcare sector.



## Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate Healthcare Practice

### Course Code

603/2293/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

The new RQF Higher Nationals in Healthcare Practice bring a new, responsive and refreshing approach to Higher Nationals for the Health and Social Care sector.

Developed with input from employers, educators, students and service users, the new qualification offers an innovative and contemporary approach to study.

The qualification focuses on the core knowledge, skills, values and behaviours required of practitioners in the sector. Work will be assessed through coursework and placement experience. A mandatory requirement is that students are deemed fit for placement. Each student must have Access NI Clearance.

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

### Core Modules

- Law, Policy and Ethical Practice in Health and Social Care
- Demonstrating Professional Principles and Values in Health and Social
- Supporting the Individual Journey through Integrated Health and Social
- Sociological and Psychological Perspectives on Health
- Fundamentals of Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Ill-Health
- Effective Reporting and Record-keeping in Health and Social Care
- Fundamentals of Evidence-based Practice

### 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 (Essential Skills Level 2) OR Extended Diploma – MPP profile plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or equivalent (Essential Skills Level 2); OR Access - 45%.

**ROI:** 64 UCAS points or above. Students must also have English and Maths at Grade 05 and above (equivalent to pass in GCSE);

PLEASE NOTE: Whilst ILC 05/D1 is acceptable for English Leaving Cert Ordinary 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.

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Information Session, Access NI Check and interview required for all applicants.

### Assessment

100% coursework to include presentations, assignments, portfolios, class tests and reports.

### Work Placement

225 hours mandatory work placement.

### Further Study

Degrees such as Nursing and other health related courses.

### Your Future Career

Employment within the healthcare sector.



## Open University Level 5 Foundation Degree Housing Practice\*

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Open University (OU)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### 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.

### Core Modules

- CIH Level 4 Certificate in Housing
- CIH Level 5 Certificate in Housing
- The Effective Learner and Reflective Practitioner
- Work-Based Learning
- Effective Communication
- Sustainable Cities and Society
- Partnership Working for Housing Developments and Rental Markets

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** UCAS tariff score of 48 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 (see page 18 for details).

**ROI:** UCAS tariff score of 48 or above; plus OLC (Grade 04 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 (see page 18 for details).

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. Assessment methods will include reports, portfolios, assignments, presentations and class tests.

### 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.

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.



\*Subject to validation





## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree in Science (FdSc) Health and Social Care

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Books: £50-£100

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

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### Non-term time

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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 and 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 and Social Care
- Introduction to Public Health
- Work Based Learning
- Safeguarding and Managing Risk
- Evidence Based Practice
- Innovative Practices to Support Health and Wellbeing
- Psychology
- Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care
- Professional Conduct and Ethical Practice
- The Effective Learner
- Social Theories and Concepts

### Entry Requirements

(a) Satisfy the University's general entry requirements; AND

(b) Have attained Grade A, B or C at GCSE in 5 subjects (to include GSCE English) or an equivalent standard in an approved qualification; AND

(c) Provide evidence of competence in numeracy (GCSE Grade C or above or equivalent – this requirement may be met within (b) and can be met with Level 2 Essential Skills Application of number);

(d) hold a BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or a related Level 3 subject area, or one GCE A Level pass or equivalent (with a minimum of 48 UCAS points to include at least two grades at H4 or higher.

### OR as an alternative to (a), (b), (c) and (d):

(e) Provide evidence of their ability to undertake the programme through the accreditation of prior experiential learning (APEL). See page 18.

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All applicants must also satisfy an Access NI Enhanced Disclosure. Applicants will also be invited to a mandatory information session and interview.

### Assessment

90% Coursework, 10% Exam.  
Assessment is varied and includes:

- Individual / Group Presentations
- Essays
- Research
- Reports
- 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 can 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.



# Computing & IT



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- › Web Developer
- › Cybersecurity Officer
- › Games Designer / Developer
- › Graphic Designer
- › Networking Engineer
- › Computer Analyst
- › IT Support

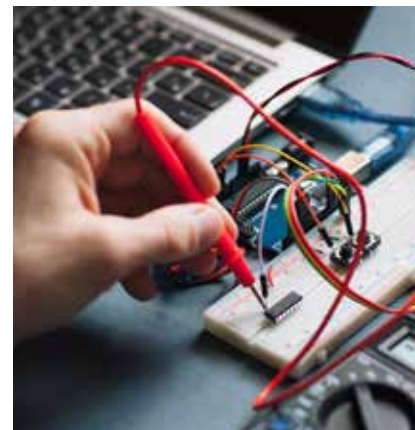
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**Aileen Barber**  
BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Computing

*Aileen has progressed to study IT at Queen's University Belfast*

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## OCN NI Level 1 / Level 2 Traineeship Information and Creative Technology\*

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

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(OCN NI)

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### Progression



### Course Overview

The Level 2 Traineeship will enable you to achieve a qualification which is equal 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 course is assessed with coursework and exams covering a broad range of IT skills.

The Traineeship will contain, within one year, OCN NI Transversal Skills at Level 2, Essential Skills Numeracy and Literacy.

Please note, detail regarding the content and assessment for this Traineeship is subject to change.

### Core Modules

- Unit 1: IT Essentials
- Unit 2: Computer Systems
- Unit 3: Programming

### Optional Modules

- Security / Cyber Security
- Database
- Networking
- Data Modelling using Excel
- Games Development
- Web Development
- Emerging Technology
- Graphic Design

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G) to include Grade D in English and Maths.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O6) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Pass.

### Assessment

75% Coursework, 25% Exam.

The assessment requirements for this programme is currently in development.

### 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 IT Skills qualifications.

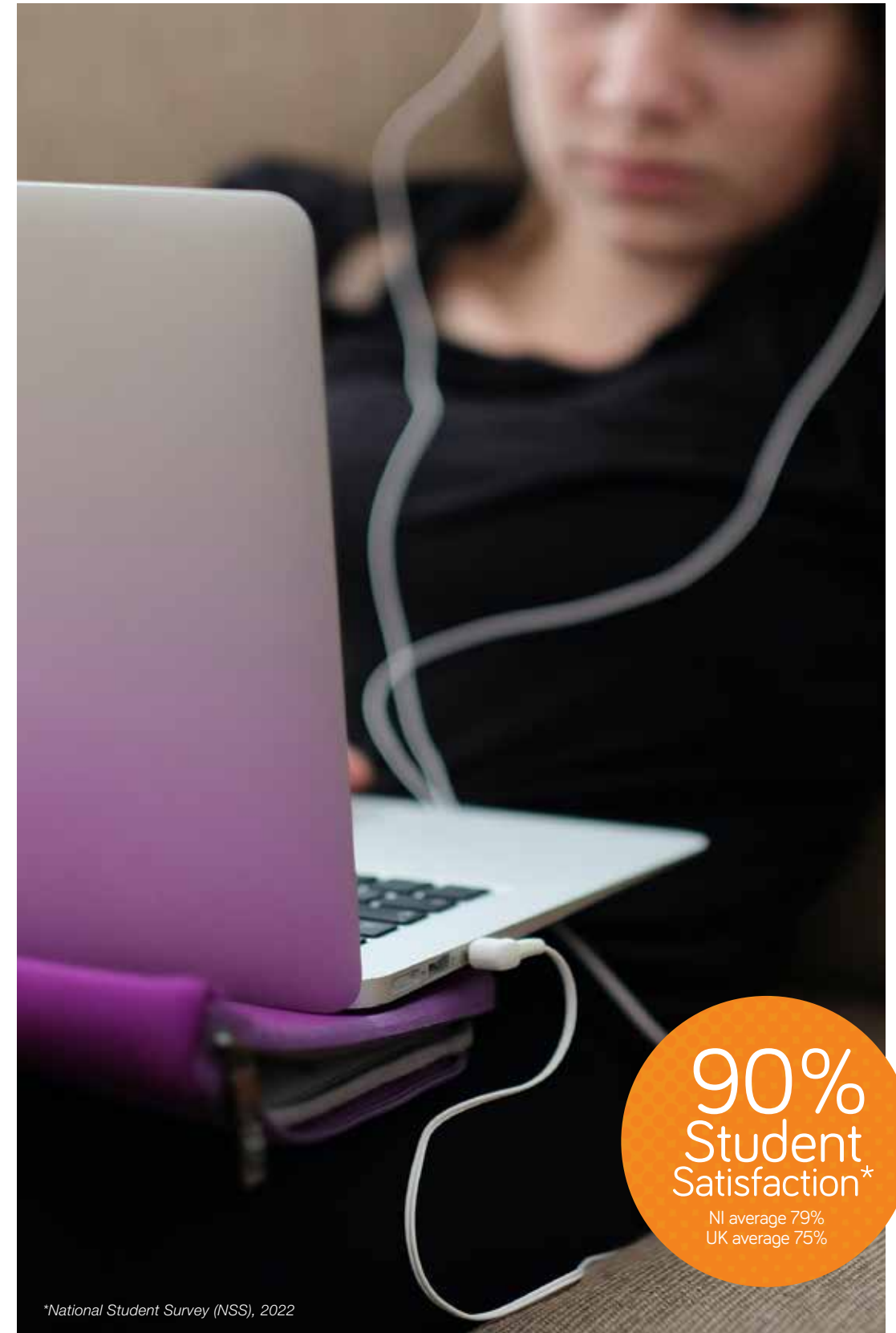
### Your Future Career

The qualification will be your first steps towards a career in the following fields:

- Web Design
- Software Development
- Network Administration
- Information Technology (IT)



\*Subject to validation



90%  
Student  
Satisfaction\*

NI average 79%  
UK average 75%

\*National Student Survey (NSS), 2022





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate / Diploma Esports with Extended Certificate in Information Technology

### Course Code

601/7575/8 (Extended Certificate)  
603/5424/0 (Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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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. In February 2019, Newzoo published its 2019 Global Esports Market Report. This stated that, in 2018, the global esports market was valued at U.S. \$655 million. This rose to nearly U.S. \$865 million in 2019 and was projected to reach U.S. \$1.79 billion by 2022.

This suite of qualifications has been developed to meet this upcoming demand for skills in Esports. The qualifications include 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, marketing, enterprise, IT and the creative industry. 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.

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

### Core Modules

- Esports Skills, Strategies and Analysis
- Enterprise and Entrepreneurship in the Esports Industry
- Live-streamed Broadcasting
- Video Production
- Introduction to Esports
- Computer Networking
- Social Media in Esports
- Health, Wellbeing and Fitness for Esports Players
- Information Technology Systems
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Using Social Media in Business
- Website Development
- Esports Events

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English and Maths; OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### 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.

### Further Study

As this course covers IT and Esports, progression opportunities onto local Foundation Degree and Degree programmes in both disciplines are possible via NWR, Ulster University and Queen's University Belfast.

Universities and Colleges offering Esports degrees in UK include Nottingham Trent, Staffordshire University, the University of Roehampton and the University of Chichester.

For more information visit:  
**britishesports.org**

### 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





## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Advanced Vocational Technical Award (AVTA)

# Information Technology

### Course Code

603/0455/8 (Diploma)  
603/0454/6 (Extended Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### 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 part of the Advanced Technical Award and will provide a broad range of subjects which will prepare you for employment or further and higher study in the areas of general computing.

The course is practical and enjoyable. It will allow you to develop your interest in computing, while achieving a qualification equivalent to 3 A-Levels (Extended Diploma).

It is designed to meet the needs of employers (placement opportunity), and opportunity to progress to Foundation Degree courses at NWRC or University.

### Core Modules

- Data Modelling
- Digital Graphics
- Manage Information
- Web Site Development
- Mobile App Development
- Programming
- Games Development
- Software Testing
- IT Services
- Information Technology Systems
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Using Social Media in Business
- IT Project Management
- Cyber Security and Incident Management
- IT Service Delivery

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Diploma in Information and Creative Technology and Essential Skill Numeracy and Literacy at Level 2; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or

above) to include English and Maths. Attendance at an information session is advised but not mandatory.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 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. Four units are externally assessed by Pearson - IT Systems, Creating Systems, Cyber Security and IT Service Delivery.

This is broken down into two exam units and two units which are set tasks – learners take the assessment during a defined window and demonstrate understanding through completion of a vocational task. All remaining units are coursework assessed, internally.

### Work Placement

You will also be provided with an opportunity to apply for a placement within the programme. This will take place at the end of each academic year, approximately 4 weeks with a suitable employer and give you the skills to work in the real world after your qualification is complete.

### Your Future Career

This course can enable students to progress to the Foundation Degree in Software Engineering or Foundation Degree in Information Technologies delivered at NWRC, subject to entry requirements being met.

Past successful students have progressed to degree programmes at Ulster University, Queen's University 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







## Open University Level 5 Foundation Degree Cyber Security

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years (Full-Time)  
3 Years (Part-Time)

### Awarding Body

Open University (OU)

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### Non-term time

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### 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;
- Develop students' abilities in the evaluation, selection, application and integration of a range of tools and facilities;
- Develop students' ability to carry out a programme of supervised work within a team.

### Core Modules

#### Year One:

- Networking Fundamentals (20 Credit Points)
- Programming Essentials (20 Credit Points)
- Network Data Security (20 Credit Points)
- Cyber Security Fundamentals (20 Credit Points)
- Computing Mathematics (20 Credit Points)
- Ethical Hacking (20 Credit Points)

#### Year Two:

- Mobile Devices and Cloud Security (20 Credit Points)
- Responsive Incident Management (20 Credit Points)
- Server Management and Security (20 Credit Points)
- Cyber Security Implementation (20 Credit Points)
- Work Based Learning or Project Management (Project Management for International Students Only) (40 Credit Points)

### Entry Requirements

48 UCAS points. Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) is applicable for entry onto this course. For more details see page 18.

Any of the below qualifications are acceptable:

- Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Information Technology;

- Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Information Technology;
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Diploma in Computing;
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Computing; Access Diploma/Degree (General)

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam.

### Further Study

Top-up Degree Year.

Other nearby colleges offer Level 3 OCR Qualifications and successful students will also be able to apply to the FdSc Cyber Security; OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma in IT; OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma in IT.

### Your Future Career

The Foundation Degree in Cyber Security is aimed at individuals who intend to follow either a professional or academic career pathway in the area of Cyber Security.





## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Computing\*

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Ulster University (UU)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### 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 course is designed to provide a partnership with other institutions in Northern Ireland to design a course to meet the needs of the growing sector. It will provide students with a thorough understanding of the key concepts required to work within a thriving sector or undertake further study at honours degree level.

The course will allow students to enhance industry networks and prospects in a range of job roles within the sector. There will be many opportunities to link with local employers through work-based learning including arranged guest speakers, site visits and career networking events.

### Core Modules

- Programming Fundamentals
- Database Design
- Object-oriented Programming
- Mathematics for Computing
- Web Development
- Computer Technologies
- Work Based Learning
- Cyber Security
- Software Testing
- AI Fundamentals

### Optional modules:

- UX Design
- Introduction to Virtualisation

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS points plus GCSE Maths Grade C minimum AND GCSE English Grade C OR Essential Skills Level 2 Communications; OR APEL - see page 18 for details.

**ROI:** 64 UCAS points plus OLC (Grade 04 or above) to include Maths and English; OR APEL - see page 18.

### Work Placement

To enhance career opportunities students will undertake a 400-hour Work Based Learning module during their final year of study. Students will be supported to find a suitable work placement.

### Further Study

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

### Your Future Career

A pathway to a diverse range of Computing and IT related career opportunities, including;

- Web developer
- Mobile application developer
- Software engineer
- Data engineer
- Computer programmer
- Network engineer
- System analyst
- Service desk engineer



\*Subject to validation



## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Software Development

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### 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  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

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

The programme is designed on a modular basis that will allow you flexibility in terms of your final choice of career specialism with a focus on computer programming.

The course modules have been designed to reflect current trends in industry. They will give you the opportunity to apply and develop the knowledge and skills you have acquired in real projects and particularly in the Work-based Learning module.

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

### Core Modules

- Programming I
- Programming II
- Programming III
- Mathematics for Software Development
- Software Testing
- Systems Analysis and Design
- Database Systems
- Web Technologies
- Network and Computer Architecture
- Data Science
- Work-Based Learning

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS Points (Full-Time) or 56 UCAS Points (Part-Time); plus GCSE Maths Grade C minimum AND GCSE English Grade C or Essential Skills Level 2 Communications.

**ROI:** 64 UCAS Points (Full-Time) or 56 UCAS Points (Part-Time); plus OLC (Grade 04 or above) to include Maths and English;

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OR provide evidence of ability to undertake the programme through the Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) - See page 18.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

92% Coursework 8% Exam. A variety of assessments including coursework and examinations.

### Work Placement

Work placement will form part of this course.

### Further Study

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

### Your Future Career

Career pathways include Software Development and Software Testing.





# Early Years (Childcare)



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We also offer  
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for details



**QUALIFICATIONS  
IN THIS SUBJECT  
ARE IN DEMAND\***  
See page 1 for details  
*\*2021 NI Skills Barometer*

## Career Paths

- > Playworker
  - > Classroom Assistant
  - > Youth Worker
  - > Primary School Teacher
  - > Social Worker
  - > Special Needs Teacher
  - > Paediatric Nurse
  - > Childminder
- ...plus many more!





**I'd recommend NWRC to anyone that wants to work with children or young people. The courses are great for those who may not want to stay in school because it's not for them.**

**Ryan Boyle**

City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Playwork

*Ryan currently volunteers at his local youth club and hopes to become a Youth Worker after obtaining his qualifications.*

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## CACHE Level 1 Diploma Caring for Children

### Course Code

501/1015/9

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20-£40

### Awarding Body

Council for Awards in Care,  
Health and Education (CACHE)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This qualification is an excellent introduction to a career in Early Years. Whilst 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:

- IT skills
- Effective communication 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 Boxes 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

- Children's 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

Attempted 2 GCSEs (Grade D-G). Attendance at a course information session is required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. 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.

### 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, Maths and ICT 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.





## Level 2 Traineeship

# Children's Care, Learning and Development

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20-£40

### Awarding Body

TBC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This Level 2 course is designed to develop the understanding and skills relating to children's care, learning and development.

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

You will work in an early years' specialist resource room which is fully equipped with play equipment to plan weekly practical activities, explore sensory resources and have opportunities to care for the 'Real Care Babies', as well as outdoor trips and competitions.

Previous years have included working alongside Norwegian students and exploration of forest schools.

Skills that you will develop to perform well in the workplace include:

- Excellent communication skills
- The ability to work with children in a sensitive and positive way
- Creativity and imagination while creating monthly displays
- Planning and organisational skills

### Core Modules

- Context, principles and values that underpin practice
- Communication and partnership working
- Safeguarding children
- Keeping children safe, healthy and well
- Support children's personal care, and nutrition
- Support children's development
- Support children's play, learning and development
- Contribute to care of children with disabilities and/or special needs
- Employability /Personal Development
- Literacy, Numeracy and ICT (for those who do not have equivalent of GCSE Grade C in English, Maths and ICT)

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths and English Grade D;

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths and English Grade O5;

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Attendance at an information session is required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Portfolio and competence based qualification. You will be assessed through written assignments, project based practical tasks and workplace assessment.

### 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 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 or the Level 3 Diploma in Playwork.

### Your Future Career

Some students move into employment in the Early Years' sector, however many of our Level 2 students choose to complete their Degree with us and progress to become Childcare Managers, Teachers and Social Workers.

Students hoping to advance their careers at university must achieve the university admissions criteria.







## CACHE Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Children's Care, Learning and Development

### Course Code

501/1024/X

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20-£40

### Awarding Body

Council for Awards in Care,  
Health and Education (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 Daycare, 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

### Core Modules

- Context and principles for the early years sector
- Communication and partnership working
- Safeguarding children

- Keeping children safe, healthy and well
- Support children's personal care and nutrition
- Supporting children's development
- Supporting children's 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

Enrolment on this course is subject to checks, including a satisfactory Access NI check. Attendance at an information session is also required.

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**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths or equivalent, or Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development and Essential Skills Level 2 in Communication and Numeracy or Level 2 Diploma in Playwork;

OR Level 2 Diploma / Qualification from another curriculum area and Essential Skills Level 2 in Communication and Numeracy.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above) to include English and Maths or equivalent or Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development or Level 2 Diploma in Playwork; OR Level 2 Diploma / Qualification from another curriculum area and Essential Skills Level 2 in Communication and Numeracy or equivalent.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. 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.

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 Level 3 Extended Diploma in Children's Care, Learning and Development (CCLD) students MUST have successfully achieved the Level 3 Diploma in CCLD as well as GCSE Grade C or equivalent in English, e.g. Essential Skills Level 2 or OLC Grade O5.

Please note in some universities OLC Grade O5 may not be accepted as equivalent to GCSE Grade C.

After successfully completing this qualification you may wish to progress straight to university or decide to continue your studies with us by progressing to the HND in Early Childhood Education and Care or Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies.

### 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.



## City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma Playwork

### Course Code

501/1488/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20 - £30

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

A Playworker engages and supports children through life stages or who have had negative life experiences and need to build resilience, vital for healthy brain development, making friends, exploring and engaging with the world.

The ability to plan meaningful play to suit children of all abilities is hugely important as we actually “learn through play.”

This qualification aims to develop confidence, skills and knowledge so that you can apply for leadership roles in an Out of School Play Centre, Adventure Centre, After School Club, Holiday Centre Representative, or become a Playworker, Leisure Centre Assistant, Hospital Playworker or open own business.

The skills you need to develop:

- Excellent communication
- Ability to work with children and staff in sensitive, positive ways
- Creativity and imagination for activities
- Planning, organisational and ICT skills

You will have access to indoor and outdoor play and practical resources.

### Core Modules

- Frameworks for play
- Play - self directed
- Supporting children's play experiences
- Playwork principles
- Safeguard the well- being of children and young people

- Support positive outcomes for children and young people
- Understand relationships in the play environment
- Health, safety and security in the play environment
- Personal development in children's and young peoples settings
- Protecting the rights of children and young people
- Promote positive relationships in a play environment

### Optional Modules

- Work with colleagues in a Playwork team
- Promote own organisation in the community

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning & Development or Playwork OR Level 2 Diploma / Qualification from another curriculum area, OR 4 GCSEs, (Grade C or above);

**ROI:** UK Level 2 Diploma for Children's Care, Learning and Development or Playwork; OR UK Level 2 Diploma / Qualification from another curriculum area; OR 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above); OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

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As this is a specialist qualification students with lower grades may be accepted using Accreditation for Prior Learning (APEL), e.g. outdoor pursuits, community work, volunteering residential. See page 18.

Attendance at an information session is also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. A competence based qualification - portfolio of evidence and work placement assessment. Grading system will be achieved / not yet achieved.

### Work Placement

Placement requirements are mandatory with a minimum of 8-10 hours per week depending on setting over the year. Enrolment on the course will depend on satisfactory Access NI checks.

Playwork students also participate in residential weekends and summer schemes that build on their experiences and hours.

### Further Study

You may decide to continue your studies with us by progressing to the HND in Early Childhood Education and Care or Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies. You can also progress to the Level 4 Certificate in Community Youth Studies and then the Degree in Youthwork or to Degree in Playwork or Social Work (note that basic entry requirements for Higher level study depend on the University's entry criteria (typically GCSE Grade C in English and Maths).

You may also progress to an MA in Play Therapy.

### Your Future Career

On completion of this course, you will be a qualified Playworker equipped with the knowledge and skills for employment in both the Playwork and Early Years sector.







## Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate Early Childhood Education and Care

### Course Code

603/3899/4

### Campus

Derry-Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20 - £30

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

Students will complete the Higher National Certificate in ECEC by completing the mandatory Level 4 units (Units 1-8) and 375 hours in three distinct placement settings.

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

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.

Enrolment on this course is subject to a satisfactory Access NI check.

Grant support may be available during your studies. Contact Student Services for more details.

### Core Modules

- Professional Development Through Reflective Practice
- Protecting Children in Early Childhood Education and Care Environments
- Play and Learning in Early Childhood
- Supporting and Promoting Children's Development- Babies and Toddlers
- Supporting and Promoting Children's Development - Young Children

- Promoting Healthy Living
- Preparing for Research
- Promoting Inclusive Early Childhood Education

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points and minimum of GCSE English at Grade C or equivalent. Access: 40%.

Applicants must have a Level 3 Qualification, e.g. A Levels, BTEC National Diploma, CACHE Level 3 Diploma/ Extended Diploma, DCE, Level 3 in Playwork, an AVCE/ Advanced GNVQ in an appropriate Vocational area.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points and minimum of OLC English at Grade O5. Access 40%.

Applicants must have a Level 3 Qualification, e.g. Leaving Certificate, BTEC National Diploma, CACHE Level 3 Diploma/ Extended Diploma, DCE, Level 3 in Playwork, an AVCE/ Advanced GNVQ in an appropriate Vocational area.

Please note in some universities OLC Grade O5 may not be accepted as equivalent to GCSE Grade C.

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Interview required prior to enrolment. Attendance at an information session is also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. There will be a variety of assessment methods, written assignments, presentations, practical activity and assessment on placement.

### Work Placement

The number of hours in work placement will be 375 hours in a minimum of three distinct settings covering the age groups birth to one year 11 months, two years to four years 11 months and five years to seven years 11 months.

### Further Study

Students can progress to the Level 5 HND in Early Childhood Education and Care or can choose to progress to university. Past students have progressed to Speech and Language, Nursing, Teaching, Social Work, Psychology or another related profession.

### Your Future Career

Potential career paths include:

- Classroom assistant
- Playgroup leader
- Crèche leader
- Childminder
- Family Support Worker
- Special Educational Needs Assistant





## Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Early Childhood Education and Care

### Course Code

601/8811/X

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Years (HND)

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20 - £30

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

In the first two semesters of the course (Year 1) of the course students will complete the Higher National Certificate in ECEC by completing the mandatory Level 4 units (Units 1-8) and 375 hours in three distinct placement settings. While Level 5 modules are completed in the second half of the course (Year 2) as well as a further 150 hours of placement.

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

As work placement is an integral part of your qualification a declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. Enrolment on this course is subject to a satisfactory Access NI check.

Grant support may be available during your studies. Contact Student Services for more details.

### Core Modules

- Professional Development Through Reflective Practice
- Protecting Children in Early Childhood Education and Care Environments
- Play and Learning in Early Childhood
- Supporting and Promoting

Children's Development- Babies and Toddlers

- Supporting and Promoting Children's Development - Young Children
- Promoting Healthy Living
- Preparing for Research
- Promoting Inclusive Early Childhood Education
- Investigating Childhood: Action Research for Early Childhood Practitioners (Pearson-set Project)
- Improving Quality in Early Childhood Education and Care Environments
- Innovative Approaches to Children's Play and Learning in Practice

### Optional Modules

- Current and Emerging Pedagogies in Early Childhood Education and Care
- Trauma in Childhood: Addressing the Impact of Adverse Experiences on Child Health and Wellbeing
- Outdoor Play and Learning

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points and minimum of GCSE English at Grade C or equivalent; Access 40%.

Applicants must have a Level 3 Qualification, e.g. A Levels, BTEC National Diploma, CACHE Level 3 Diploma/ Extended Diploma, DCE, Level 3 in Playwork, an AVCE / Advanced GNVQ in an appropriate Vocational area.

Interview required prior to enrolment. Attendance at an information session is also required.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points and minimum of OLC English at Grade O5. Access 40%.

Applicants must have a Level 3 Qualification, e.g. Leaving Certificate, BTEC National Diploma, CACHE Level 3 Diploma/ Extended Diploma, DCE, Level 3 in Playwork, an AVCE/ Advanced GNVQ in an appropriate Vocational area.

Please note in some universities OLC Grade O5 may not be accepted as equivalent to GCSE Grade C.

Interview required prior to enrolment. Attendance at an information session is also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework.

There will be a variety of assessment methods, written assignments, presentations, practical activity and assessment on placement.

### Work Placement

The number of hours in work placement will be 525 hours in a minimum of three distinct settings covering the age groups birth to one year 11 months, two years to four years 11 months and five years to seven years 11 months.

375 placement hours should be completed in year 1 of the full-time programme.

### Further Study

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.

We work closely with our partners in universities to develop opportunities for our students to continue their studies at degree level.

In addition our students are well sought after in the local area for jobs as classroom assistants and early years practitioners.

### Your Future Career

Potential career paths include:

- Teacher Training
- Classroom assistant
- Playgroup leader
- Crèche leader
- Childminder





## QUB Level 5 Foundation Degree Early Childhood Studies

(Stranmillis University College)

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years (Full-Time)

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £20-£40

### Awarding Body

Queen University Belfast (QUB)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course will provide you with an opportunity to develop a thorough knowledge and understanding of early years and related issues, enabling you to become a confident and competent, well qualified Early Years Practitioner. It will also give you a nationally recognised qualification and evidence of your ability to work in the Early Years sector.

You will study a range of modules linked to curriculum, Psychology and child Development. Application is made through UCAS. Full time will be run over 2 years, part time will be run over 2.5 years to 3 years.

### Core Modules

- Professional Practice
- Child Development
- Shared Perspectives
- Acquisition of Language
- Managing Behaviour
- Anti-Discriminatory Practice

### Entry Requirements

Applicants must apply through UCAS directly. UCAS course code: LX53 FdA/ECS Campus code: 7- North West Regional College.

Enrolment on this course is subject to a satisfactory Access NI check.

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

**ROI:** 72 UCAS points plus OLC (Grade O4 or above) in English and Maths – Essential Skills Level 2 in Communications will be accepted as an alternative to OLC English.

### Assessment

80% Coursework, 20% Exam. There will be a variety of assessment methods, written assignments, case studies, presentations, practical activity and placement assessments.

### Work Placement

As work placement is an integral part of your qualification a 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 also study towards a Teacher Training qualification, a (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 within the field of Psychology, Nursing, Paediatrics, Social Work, Youth Work or another related profession.



## BSc (Hons) Level 6

## Early Childhood Studies

(in partnership with Atlantic Technological University [ATU])

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
and ATU

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Atlantic Technological University (ATU)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

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

Students will become familiar with the Republic of Ireland curriculum developments and implement Aistear: the Early Childhood Curriculum Framework and Síolta, the National Quality Framework for Early Childhood in their placement, which can be in either Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland.

### Core Modules

- Child and Family Support
- Research
- Research and Evidence Based Practice
- Comparative Education
- Communications in the Early Years
- Professional Practice
- Developmental Psychology
- Leadership and Management
- Children with Additional Needs
- Effective Infant Education
- Outdoor Play

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Students must have a UK Level 5 Childcare qualification.

**ROI:** Students must have an ROI Level 6 Childcare qualification.

The selection process is implemented by ATU. Students must complete the ATU Advanced Entry application form. To download visit: [www.atu.ie](http://www.atu.ie)

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Access NI check, Health Declaration and attendance at an information session required for all applicants.

Accreditation of Prior Learning (APEL) may also be considered for entry onto this course. See page 18 for details.

### Assessment

50% Coursework, 50% Exam. There will be a variety of assessment methods, written assignments, presentations, practical activity, assessment on placement

### Work Placement

Learn from experience through supervised practice with opportunities for observation and engagement in needs assessment, early childhood curriculum planning and implementation. 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.

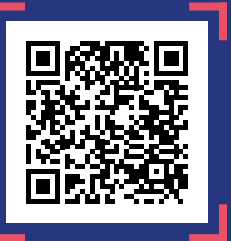
### Further Study

Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCE), Nursing, Social Work Educational Psychology, Masters in Early Years.

### Your Future Career

Previous students have set up their own crèche / day care business or worked in the field of Early Years as a Special Needs Assistant, Nursery Assistant, Classroom Assistant or Childminder.

# 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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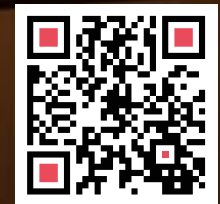
**A-Level Engineering didn't offer me enough on the subject to further my career. NWRC was an incredible option!**

**Morgan Hughes**  
BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma  
in Engineering

*Morgan's dream for the future is to be a Weapons Engineer with the Royal Navy.*



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# Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma Engineering

## Course Code

601/7588/6

## Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Greystone (Limavady)

## Length of Study

2 Years

## Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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## Progression



## Course Overview

Studying Engineering will provide you with the opportunity to gain well-paid, prestigious employment, equipped with skills recognised around the world. Engineering is recognised as critical for the development of a knowledge economy.

Equivalent in size to 3 A-Levels. 15 modules including External assessment. 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.

The qualification specialises in design and manufacturing engineering and learners will gain relevant skills and knowledge from studying a range of content focused on the design and manufacturing of electrical/electronic and mechanical systems.

Learners will also benefit from close collaboration with the Product Design Centre in Greystone campus which is a state-of-the-art facility, equipped with the latest additive and subtractive technology, as well as an electronics laboratory.

Progression could be either directly to employment in Level 3 job roles, higher apprenticeship programmes or other appropriate higher education courses in engineering.

## 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

- Pneumatic and Hydraulic Systems
- Electronic Circuits and Devices
- Manufacturing Secondary Machining Processes
- Manufacturing Primary Forming Processes
- Computer Aided Design in Engineering
- Electronic Printed Circuit Board Design and Manufacture
- Computer Aided Manufacturing and Planning
- Manufacturing CNC Machining Processes
- Additive Manufacturing Processes
- Programmable Logic Controllers
- Fabrication Manufacturing Processes
- Further Engineering Mathematics
- Modern Manufacturing Systems
- Principles and Applications of Fluid Mechanics
- Static Mechanical Principles in Practice
- Mechanical Behaviour of Metallic Materials

## Entry Requirements

**UK:** Level 2 Diploma in Engineering; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Maths

**ROI:** Level 2 Diploma in Engineering; OR 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include Maths; OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

## Assessment

67% Coursework; 33% Exam. Assessment is specifically designed to fit the purpose and objective of the qualification. It includes a range of assessment types and styles suited to vocational qualifications in the sector. The main forms of assessment are: external and internal.

## Externally-assessed units:

Each external assessment is linked to a specific unit. Each assessment is taken under specified conditions, then marked by Pearson and a grade awarded. Learners are permitted to resit external assessments during their programme.

## Internally-assessed units:

Most units are internally assessed and subject to external standards verification. This ensures that learners are assessed using a variety of styles to help them develop a broad range of transferable skills.

Learners could be given the opportunity 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 / technical skills using appropriate processes, devices, components, equipment, materials and consumables.

## Work Placement

In previous years students were offered work placement during the summer weeks through a Sentinus programme. This was not an essential part of the Level 3 course, but only for student benefit.

## Further Study

This course will prepare you for entry into the Engineering industry as engineering technicians, or for entry into Higher Education to undertake Degree level studies.

Areas of higher study may include:

- Mechanical Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Automotive Engineering
- Aeronautical Engineering
- Marine Engineering
- Electronics and Computing
- Agricultural Engineering

These courses are available at various Universities including Queen's University Belfast, Ulster University, and at Liverpool, Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Another popular route includes

Foundation Degree programmes with NWRC which allows access to the above courses at university (Year 2 entry).

## 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 the design and manufacture of electrical/electronic and mechanical systems, for example electronic PCB design and manufacture and manufacturing CNC machining processes.

Progression could be either directly to employment in Level 3 job roles or via higher apprenticeship programmes.





## Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma Electrical and Electronic Engineering

### Course Code

603/045/1/0

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years (Full-Time)

3 Years (Part-Time)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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Non-term time  
Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

Electrical and Electronic Engineering is a priority skills area and there are many opportunities for Engineers qualified in this discipline, whether employed as a design engineer, a contractor or a consultant.

Having completed this course, students can progress to a wide range of careers in technical and management positions.

Through the programme, students will learn to evaluate the appropriate use of different approaches to solving problems. They will be able to apply their knowledge creatively in their chosen field, and will have the qualities necessary for employment in situations requiring the exercise of personal responsibility and decision-making in a professional setting.

### Core Modules

- Engineering Mathematics
- Engineering Science
- Electrical and Electronic Principles
- Digital Principles
- Electronic Circuits and Devices
- Programmable Logic Controllers
- Engineering Design
- Managing a professional Engineering Project
- Analogue Electronic Systems
- Further Mathematics
- Research Project
- Professional Engineering Management
- Industrial Power, Electronics and Storage
- Industrial Systems
- Embedded Systems

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Applicants must have 64 UCAS points, preferably from a Level 3 Engineering qualification or to have studied one of: A-Level Maths, Physics, Chemistry or Biology or a Technology related subject. GCSE English and Maths at Grade C (or equivalent) required relevant Level 3.

Access Courses with an overall mark of 60% including passes in Mathematics and a Science subject

Applicants must have at least one of Maths, Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Engineering, Science or Technology at C3 Higher Level and 4 OLCs (Grade O4 or above) to include Maths and English at Grade H6 or above (Higher Level) or Grade O4 or above (Ordinary Level) if not sitting at Higher Level is also required.

Students who do not possess formal qualifications will be eligible to apply through Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) procedures for entry onto the course. See page 18 for more details.

Attendance at course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assessment is coursework based. It includes a combination of internally assessed, centre-devised, internal assignments (set and marked by centres) and internally assessed Pearson-set units.

### Further Study

Students who complete the programme can either progress directly into employment or enter Year 2 of an Honours degree programme (subject to satisfying the university's entry criteria).

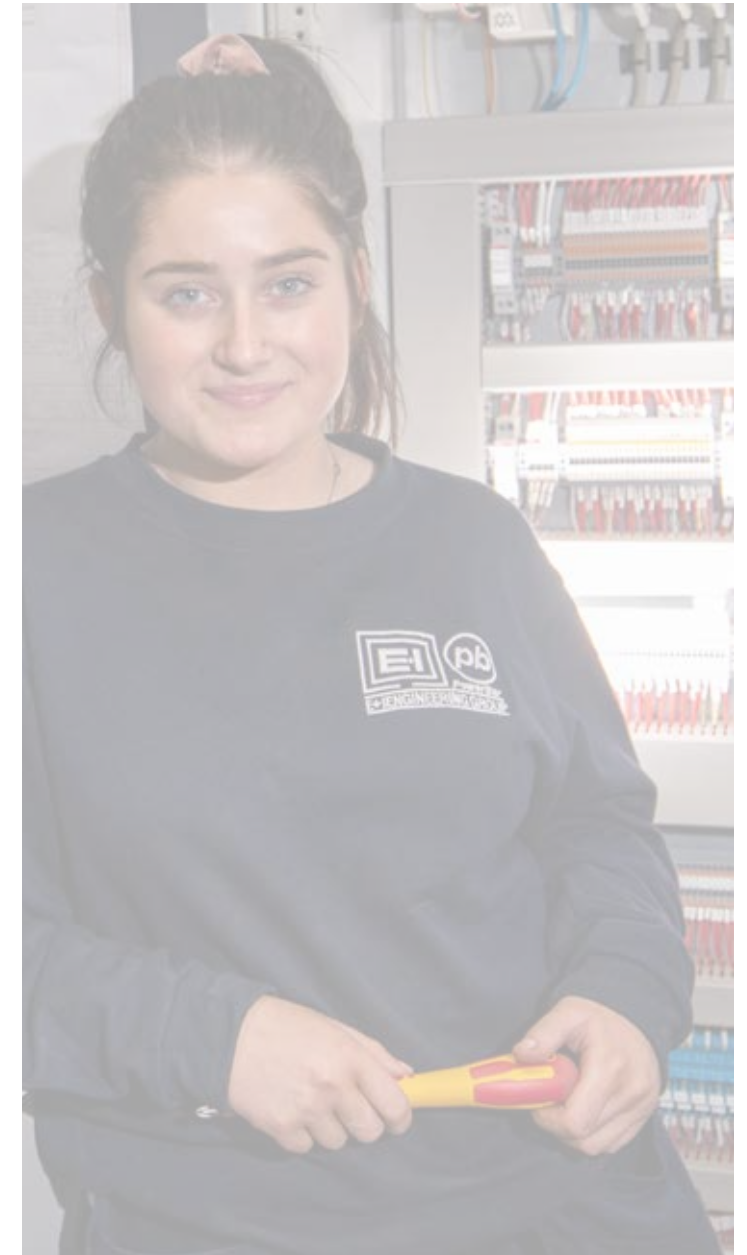
### Your Future Career

This course will enable students to take up well paid employment opportunities within an innovative technology focused industry e.g. manufacturing, product design, infrastructure, energy and transportation.

The HND is recognised by the Engineering Council, and has been designed in consultation with the following professional bodies:

- Royal Aeronautical Society
- Royal Academy of Engineering
- Society of Operations Engineers
- The Institute of Engineering and Technology

Holders of a Pearson BTEC Higher National in Engineering meet the academic requirements for the Engineering Council Engineering Technician Standard (EngTech).





## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdEng) Mechanical Engineering

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years (Full-Time)  
3 Years (Part-Time)

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is a combination of mechanical engineering principles and design, manufacturing processes and systems. The course allows for a wide range of practical activities and opportunities for team working, data analysis and problem solving, incorporating various computer-based IT engineering applications.

Students have access to industry standard design software packages including Solid Works, AutoCAD, Cosmos FEA, and are encouraged to develop their IT skills using software such as Microsoft Office.

The course offers the opportunity to prepare for a range of technical and management careers in mechanical engineering and manufacture engineering.

### Core Modules

- Mathematics for Engineering
- Mechanical Science
- Business Management & Improvement Techniques
- Parametric CAD with Engineering Design
- Strength of Materials
- Work Based Learning
- Graphical Communication & CAD
- Engineering Materials
- Electrical & Electronic Principles
- Engineering Mechanics
- Heat Transfer

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS points (Full-Time) or 56 UCAS points (Part-time).

Applicants must have Level 3 passes in at least one of Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Engineering, Science or Technology (or equivalent), and a minimum Grade C/4 in GCSE Mathematics\* and English (or University-approved equivalent\*\*).

*\*Certain BTEC Level 3 Maths units (as instructed on an annual basis from the Faculty) may be acceptable in lieu of GCSE Maths.*

*\*\*Level 2 Essential Skills in Communication is acceptable in lieu of GCSE English.*

OR Relevant Access Course with an overall mark of at least 45%, including passes in Mathematics and a Science subject.

As with all Higher Engineering courses, students require a good standard of mathematics and applied mathematics.

**ROI:** 64 UCAS points (Full-Time) or 56 UCAS points (Part-time).

Applicants must have at least one of Mathematics, Chemistry, Physics, Biology, Engineering, Science or Technology at O5 Higher level and 4 OLCs (Grade O4 or above) Maths and English at Grade H6 or above (Higher Level); or Grade O4 or above (Ordinary Level) if not sitting at Higher Level is also required.

As with all Higher Engineering courses, students require a good

standard of mathematics and applied mathematics.

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Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) may be considered for entry. For details see page 18.

### Assessment

73% Coursework; 27% Exam.

CAD modules, Work-Based Learning and Business Management and Improvement Techniques are 100% coursework, which includes presentations, written assignments, experimental analysis, engineering design and drawing, etc.

All other modules are a combination of coursework and exam.

### Work Placement

The Work-Based Learning module requires students to arrange 400 hours of placement within an engineering environment. This takes place during Year 2.

### Further Study

Completion of the Foundation Degree can lead to direct entry to second year of a Honours Degree at university (depending on your overall mark).

### Your Future Career

Whether you want to specialise in mechanical, manufacturing, production, aeronautical, energy supply, electronics, electrical, 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!



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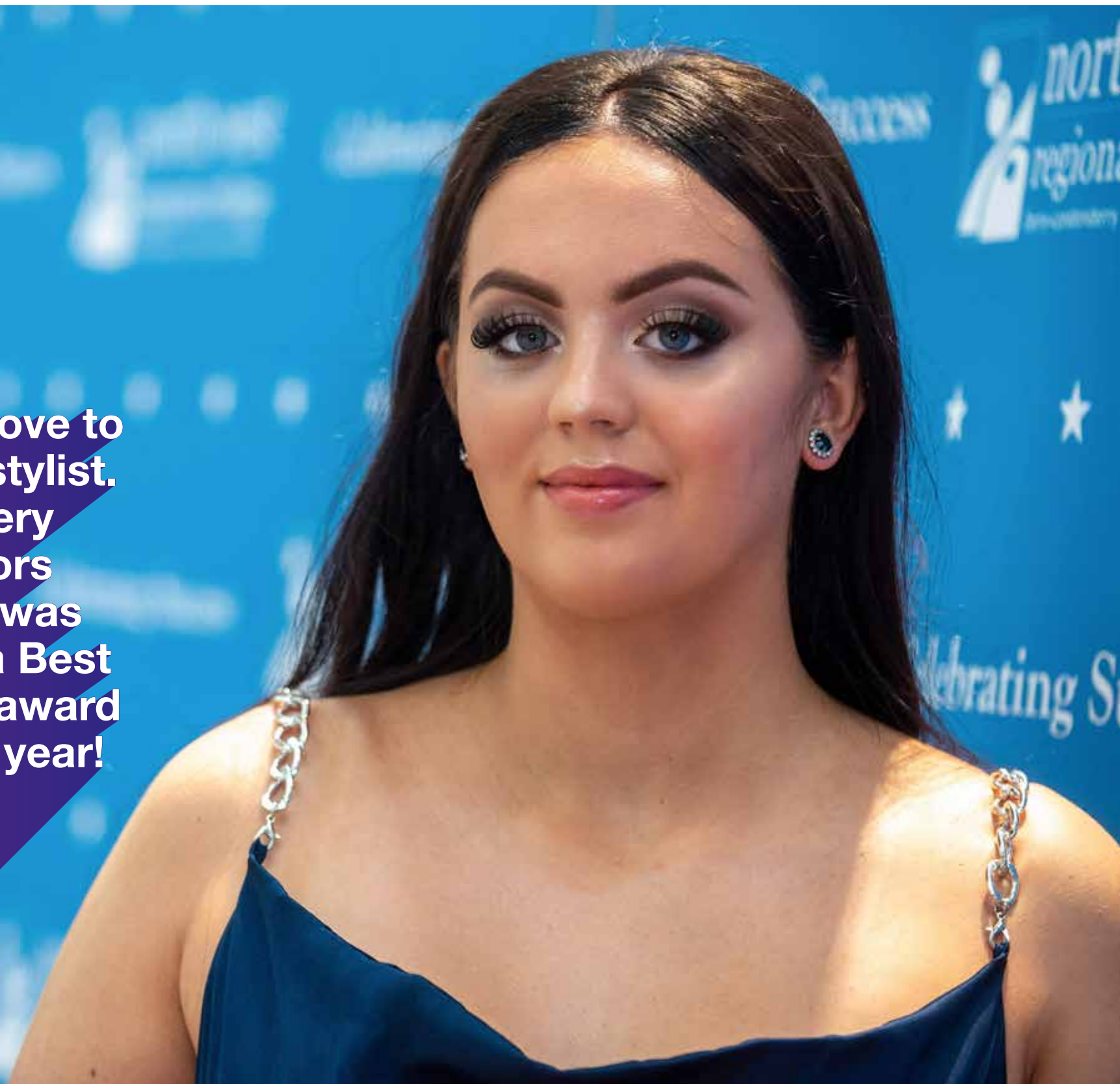


**In the future I would love to work as a TV or film stylist. My course is great, very hands on and the tutors really motivate you. I was delighted to receive a Best in Further Education award from the College this year!**

**Georgia Pateras**

Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing

*Georgia recently received an award for 'Enhancing College Reputation' at the 2022 Best in Further Education celebrations. She also took part in the College's annual Hallowe'en Hair & Beauty Showcase.*







## City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate Hairdressing

### Course Code

600/2752/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Kits: £100

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

The course will provide you with the basic skills and knowledge in order to progress to level 2 Traineeship in Hairdressing.

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 hairdressers.

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

### Core Modules

- Unit 101: Introduction to Hair and Beauty sector
- Unit 102: Presenting a Professional Image in a Salon
- Unit 113: Follow Health & Safety in the Salon
- Unit 115: Working with others in the Hair and Beauty Sector

### Optional Modules

- Unit 003: Shampooing and Conditioning
- Unit 105: Plaiting and Twisting Hair
- Unit 112 Creating a Hair and Beauty Image
- Unit 215 The Art of Dressing Hair
- Unit 217 The Art of Colouring

### Entry Requirements

No entry requirement. Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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.

### 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 Hairdressing the career opportunities within this hairdressing industry can lead to jobs in top class salons, cruise liners, working abroad or teaching.



## OCN Level 2 Traineeship Hairdressing

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Kits: £170

### Awarding Body

Open College Network (OCN)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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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 and Conditioning
- Health, Safety and Science
- Colouring Hair
- Cutting Hair
- Styling, Dressing and Finishing Hair
- Practical Hairdressing Project

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to Maths and English Grade D.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to Maths and English Grade O5.

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Attendance at a course information session is advised but not mandatory.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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 assessments for the qualification require the candidates to undertake practical tasks, and online exams.

### Work Placement

Salon experience is embedded into the programme.

### 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 Diploma Barbering

### Course Code

601/5699/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Kits: £170

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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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 & time-keeping skills

During your course you will have the opportunity to participate in 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

- Advise and Consult with Clients
- Shampoo, Condition and Treat Hair
- Develop and Maintain your Effectiveness at Work
- Cut Men's Hair
- Cut Facial Hair Using Basic Techniques
- Dry and Finish Men's Hair
- Create Basic Outlines and Detailing in Hair
- Perm and Neutralise Hair
- Colour and Lighten Hair

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above);

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O6 or above);

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If you do not hold a pass in Maths and English you can complete Essential Skills Numeracy and Communication alongside your vocational course.

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

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 20% Exam.

Candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge.

Assessments for the qualification require candidates to undertake practical tasks and online exams.

### Work Placement

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

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 Diploma Beauty Therapy

### Course Code

500/9076/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Beauty Kit: £70

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

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Non-term time

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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 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

- Working in the Beauty-related Industries
- Follow Health and Safety Practice in the Salon
- Client Care and Communication in Beauty-related Industries
- Provide Facial Skincare
- Promote Products and Services to Clients in a Salon
- Remove Hair Using Waxing Techniques

- Provide Manicure Treatments
- Provide Pedicure Treatments
- Apply Make-up
- Provide Eyelash and Eyebrow Treatments
- Create an Image-Based on a Theme Within the Hair and Beauty Sector

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above);

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 06 or above);

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You should also have determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic. All qualities that you will need to succeed!

If you do not hold a pass in English and Maths you will complete Essential Skills in Numeracy and Communication alongside your vocational course.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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.

Candidates are required to undertake practical tasks, and online exams.

### Work Placement

Students will gain practical work experience within the commercial 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.

Become a  
**Student Ambassador**  
and earn freebies  
plus lots more!





## City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma Combined Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy

### Course Code

600/5861/4

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Kits: £170 (Hair) / £70 (Beauty)

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### 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 become a competent hairdresser and beauty therapist.

This course will help you explore and develop the skills needed to turn your interests into a career.

Determination and commitment are necessary attributes to be successful in this course. This course comprises of practical training and assessments carried out in our industry standard salons where you are taught by industry professionals.

Our students have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK competitions. In Year 2 you will work with clients in a realistic working environment.

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

### Core Modules

- Follow Health and Safety Practice in the Salon
- Client Care and Communication in Beauty-related Industries
- Shampoo and Condition the Hair and Scalp
- Cut Women's Hair
- Colour and Lighten Hair
- Remove Hair Using Waxing Techniques

- Provide Manicure Treatments
- Provide Pedicure Treatments
- Apply Make-up
- Provide Eyelash and Eyebrow Treatments
- The Art of Photographic Make-up
- Create an Image
- Art of Dressing Hair

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above);

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O6 or above);

Additional skills you require:

- Determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic
- Creativity to design and interpret hairstyles
- Excellent customer service and communication skills
- Organisational & time-keeping skills

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If you do not hold a pass in Maths and English you can complete Essential Skills Numeracy and Communication alongside your vocational course.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 20% Exam.

Candidates are required to complete a number of tasks and/or tests to show their attainment of practical skills and underpinning knowledge. Assessments for the qualification require candidates to undertake practical tasks and online exams.

### Work Placement

You will work in our industry standard salons under the guidance of your tutors. In the second year, students will be placed in a salon in industry one day per week to gain valuable work 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

Successfully completing Level 2 in both vocational areas will allow you to specialise in either Hairdressing or Beauty Therapy at Level 3 which can lead to a career in salon work, teaching, health spas, cruise liners, theatre and television, retailing, marketing and artistic work.

### 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 3 Diploma Barbering

### Course Code

601/5698/3

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform and Kit required. You should have this from Level 2.

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### 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.

### Core Modules

- Provide Client Consultation
- Colour and Lighten Men's Hair
- Creatively Cut Hair Using a Combination of Barbering Techniques
- Design and Create a Range of Facial Hair Shapes
- Design and Create Patterns in Hair
- Perming and Neutralising Hair
- Provide Facial Shaving

### Entry Requirements

Applicants should have a Level 2 Diploma in Barbering. Attendance at information session is optional.

Additional skills also required:

- Determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic
- Creativity to design and interpret hairstyles
- Excellent customer service and communication skills
- Organisational and time-keeping

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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

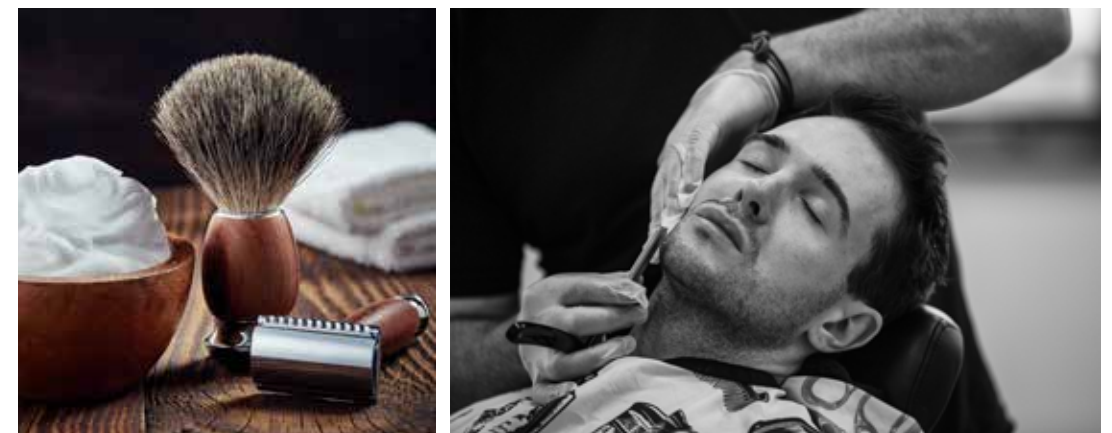
One day per week in a Barber shop.

### 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  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Kits: £30

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Strabane

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### 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

- Monitor and Maintain Health and Safety Practice in the Salon
- Client Care and Communication in Beauty-Related Industries
- Promote and Sell Products and Services to Clients
- Provide Facial Electrotherapy Treatments
- Provide Massage Using Pre-Blended Aromatherapy Oils
- Provide Indian Head Massage
- Provide Self-tanning
- Apply Individual Permanent Lashes
- Apply Micro-Dermabrasion
- Apply Stone Therapy Massage
- Provide Body Massage

### Entry Requirements

Level 2 Beauty Therapy; OR Level 2 Combined Hair and Beauty.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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.

Candidates are required 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 a range of Level 4/5 specialist units or OCN/NI in Hair & Beauty Management.

### Your Future Career

Exciting opportunities include 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 and Spa)

### Course Code

500/8954/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Kits: £30

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

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 facilities for specialist training. 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.

### Core Modules

- Health and Safety
- Client Care
- Promote Products / Services
- Body Massage
- Pre-blended Aroma Massage
- Monitor Maintain Spa
- Provide Spa Treatments
- Provide Indian Head Massage
- Health and Wellbeing
- Working in the Beauty Industry

### Optional Modules

Units requested by industry.

### Entry Requirements

Level 2 Beauty Therapy; OR Level 2 Hair & Beauty Combined.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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 one 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 and 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  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees:

Uniform: £30

Kits: £170

### Awarding Body

City & 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

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. Students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions.

### Core Modules

- Creatively style and dress hair
- Creatively cut hair using a combination of techniques
- Creatively colour and lighten hair
- Provide client consultation services
- Contribute to the financial effectiveness of the business
- Hair colour correction services
- Develop, enhance and evaluate your creative hairdressing skills

### Entry Requirements

Level 2 Hairdressing; OR Level 2 Combined Hair and Beauty;

Additional skills you require:

- Determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic

- Creativity to design and interpret hairstyles
- Excellent customer service and communication skills
- Organisational & time-keeping skills

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Practical, 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.

Candidates are required 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 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.





## OCN NI Level 5 Extended Diploma Hair and Beauty Management

### Course Code

603/5185/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years (Full-Time or Part-Time)

### Awarding Body

Open College Network (OCN)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is replacing the previous HNC/D Hair and Beauty Management as a two year full-time programme to enable progression directly from Level 3 to higher education to develop your Hair and Beauty management skills.

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

The Hair & Beauty sector is one of the fastest growing industries with a vast number of employment opportunities.

### Core Modules

- Salon Management
- Developing a Business Plan for a Hair and Beauty Business Start-up
- Preparing to Start a Business within the Hair and Beauty Industry
- Salon Promotion using Digital Marketing
- Research Project for the Hair and Beauty Industry
- Business Strategy Development for Hair and Beauty Businesses
- Human Resource Management within the Hair and Beauty Industry
- Marketing in the Hair and Beauty Industry
- Personal and Professional Development
- Human Anatomy and Physiology for Beauty and Complementary Therapists

- Traditional Head Massage
- Hair and Scalp Specialist Services
- Lifestyle Advice for Clients
- Stress Management Strategies for Clients in the Hair and Beauty Industry
- Salon and Spa Scheduling

### Entry Requirements

A relevant Level 3 qualification in Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy, or an equivalent. Attendance at an information session is optional.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Assignment based assessment is the core assessment used within this programme.

It is also expected that class tests / exams, presentations and an element of practical assessment will also be used as assessment methods throughout the duration of the programme.

### Work Placement

It is also expected that you will be currently working in the Hair and Beauty industry or have access to work placement within the industry.

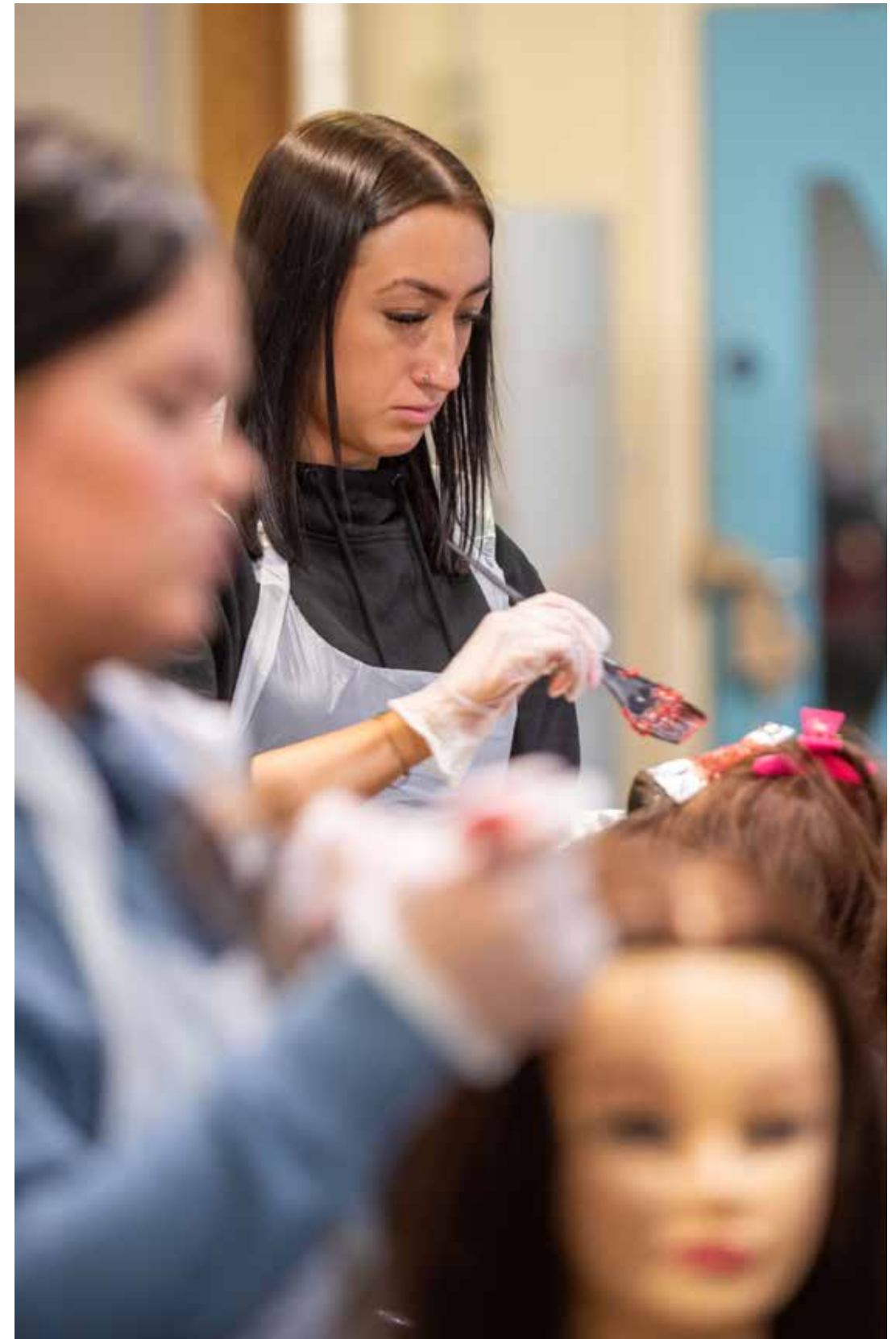
### Further Study

Successful completion of this course will enable you to progress to Level 6 routes within Hair and Beauty.

### Your Future Career

Progression routes include salon management, hair and beauty educator roles and specialist further higher education programmes.

**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**





# Hospitality & Tourism



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HOSPITALITY &  
TOURISM COURSES

We also offer  
Higher Level  
Apprenticeships  
in this subject area

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## Career Paths

- > Chef
  - > Restaurant Manager
  - > Barista
  - > Patisserie Chef
  - > Hotel Manager
  - > Tour Guide
  - > Events Manager
  - > Airline Cabin Crew
- ...plus many more!




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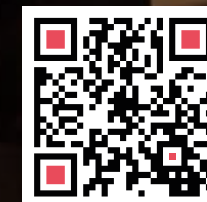
**I'm delighted to have got my dream job in the Maldron Hotel and I see it as a great stepping stone within the hotel industry. The skills I learned during my course at NWRC were a big factor in my securing employment.**

**Caoimhe Deeney**

Foundation Degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management

*Caoimhe works front of house at the Maldron Hotel, Derry-Londonderry as a receptionist.*

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## City & Guilds Level 1 Certificate Hospitality Services

### Course Code

501/0003/8

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniforms: £100-£150

### Awarding Body

City &amp; 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 NVQ Level 1 Certificate in Hospitality Services and Essential Skills in Communication and Numeracy at the appropriate level.

### Core Modules

Will be discussed during meeting with course tutor.

### Entry Requirements

Learners do not require any prior qualifications or experience to take this qualification. Interview required.

### Assessment

80% Coursework, 20% Exam.

All practical coursework and 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.

### Your Future Career

With this qualification you can move directly into employment or to an Apprenticeship training programme.



## City & Guilds Level 2 Apprenticeship NI Professional Chef

### Course Code

500/9979/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £100-£150  
(Cost subject to change)

### Awarding Body

City &amp; Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This programme is an internationally recognised qualification designed to enable students to gain professional culinary skills.

You will train in the production of food to a high standard in modern kitchens and restaurant facilities.

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

Essential Skills in Literacy and Numeracy are also included if you have 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

Will be discussed at interview.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to include Maths and English Grade E.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to include Maths and English Grade O6

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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).

Interview required for all applicants.

80% Coursework, 20% Exam. Coursework will be made up of 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.

**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**





## FDQ Level 2 Diploma Professional Butchery

### Course Code

601/0675/X

### Campus

Limavady

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Additional Fees

Uniforms: £100-£120

### Awarding Body

Food and Drink Qualifications (FDQ)

### Course Contact

Leyonia Davey  
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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Modules

This qualification is designed primarily for learners who wish to develop intermediate practical skills and knowledge in a wide range of butchery, meat/poultry processing and service techniques to support progression to employment.

The qualification covers mandatory skills in cleaning, disinfection, temperature control, procurement, traceability and principles of butchery.

Learners will have a large choice of butchery skills to select from covering beef, pork, game and poultry; meat processes like smoking and curing, meat product manufacture and service. Learners may choose optional units in butchery knowledge and employability and enterprise skills to meet their learning and development needs.

Learners will also complete Level 2 hygiene and allergen qualifications.

### Core Modules

Modules will be discussed at interview.

### Entry Requirements

Learners do not require any prior qualifications or units or food skills experience to take this qualification. Interview required.

### Assessment

80% Coursework, 20% Exam. All practical coursework and assessments will be completed in the College kitchen. All UPK exams will be under test conditions in the classroom.

### Work Placement

All students must participate on the work experience element of the qualification.

### Further Study

This qualification will support progression to further learning in the following subject areas:

- Butchery craft and processing
- Butchery science and technology
- Food preparation and processing
- Food science and technology
- Food hygiene, safety and quality

Further qualifications include;

- FDQ Level 3 Diploma for Proficiency in Meat and Poultry Industry Skills
- FDQ Level 3 Diploma in Food Technology (QCF)

### Your Future Career

With this qualification you can progress directly into employment.

**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**







## FDQ Level 2 Traineeship Professional Chef

### Course Code

500/9979/6

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Uniform: £100-£150  
(Cost subject to change)

### Awarding Body

City & Guilds

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

The course has been designed to challenge budding chefs in the next step of their academic career path. This programme is an internationally recognised qualification designed to enable students to gain professional culinary skills.

You will train in the production and service 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, where you will prepare and cook a range of foods using a variety of cooking methods.

This course will provide you with a qualification and experience in a range of skills to prepare you for work in professional kitchens. The course covers a full range of basic skills needed to work in the industry.

Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy are also taught at Level 2 as a fundamental part of recipe and menu engineering for the hospitality industry.

### Core Modules

Will be discussed at information session.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G) to Maths and English Grade E.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grades O5-O8) to Maths and English Grade O6.

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Interview required for all applicants.

### Assessment

Practical coursework / assessments will be completed in the College kitchens and restaurants.

A final assessment will consist of three parts - a multiple choice test, a professional discussion, and a final unit practical assessment.

### Further Study

Progression to Level 3 Apprenticeship in Professional Chef or Patisserie and Baking.

### Your Future Career

You can progress into employment or Apprenticeship training.



## NCFE Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Travel and Tourism

### Course Code

601/7936/3

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Field Trips: £25

Required for attendance on study visits – payable as and when trips are confirmed throughout the year.

**Other:** Residential

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

Northern Council for Further Education (NCFE)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is equivalent to 2 to 3 A-Levels and can equip you with 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 don't 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.

### Core Modules

- Customer Service
- Travel Destinations
- UK Attractions
- Travel Agency
- Airlines and Airports
- Tour Guiding
- The Cruise Industry
- Work Placement and Careers
- Tour Operation

### Optional Modules

- Work Experience in Travel and Tourism
- Visitor Attractions
- Sustainable Tourism
- Specialist Tourism
- Recruitment and Selection in Travel and Tourism

### 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.

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

100% Coursework.

Units are assessed via a range of different assessment formats to include reports, essays, 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 hotels, restaurants, attractions, museums and with tour guiding companies.

### Further Study

After completing this programme, you may choose to progress to the Foundation Degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management (with specialisms) 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.

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## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree Hospitality and Tourism Management with Specialisms (Hospitality or Tourism)\*

### 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: SSE, To enhance skills for employment

### Awarding Body

Ulster 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 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 employment and individual skills and it is recommended that aspects are explored with throughout the programme of study.

### Core Modules

- Introduction to Hospitality and Tourism
- Management in Action
- Managing Financial Performance
- Events Operations
- Employability Skills
- Human Resource Management
- Marketing and Entrepreneurship
- Work Based Learning

### Optional Modules

Depending on the specialist pathway (Hospitality or Tourism) there are three additional subject modules.

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 64 UCAS Tariff points and GCSE Maths Grade C or equivalent (eg Essential Skills Level 2 Numeracy); AND GCSE English Grade C or equivalent (e.g. Essential Skills Level 2 in Literacy);

Access Diploma: 50% (which includes Level 2 Communications and Mathematics).

**ROI:** 64 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade O4 or above) in English and Maths; OR Access – 50% (which includes Level 2 Communications and Mathematics).

Applicants with less than 64 UCAS points may still be accepted onto this course. However this is at the discretion of Ulster University. Applicants with Prior Experiential Learning (PEL) may be considered for entry - see page 18 for details. Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

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

BSc (Hons) Degree in International Travel & Tourism Management or the International Hospitality Management programme at Ulster University; 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

Progression into a number of career paths within the sectors of Hospitality, Tourism, Travel and Events.

**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**



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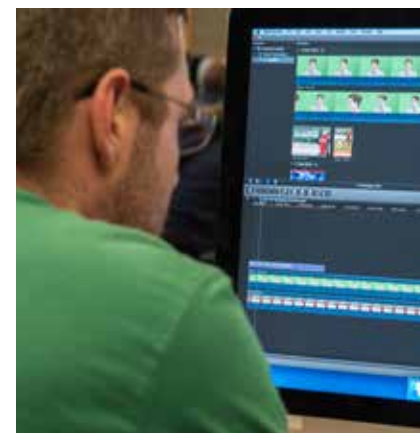




# Media, Multimedia & Journalism



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MEDIA, MULTIMEDIA  
& JOURNALISM  
COURSES



Media, Multimedia and Journalism

## Career Paths

- > TV Camera Operator
- > Media Researcher
- > Video Editor / Animator
- > Screenwriter
- > Journalist
- > Web Designer
- > Videographer
- > Marketing & PR Officer

...plus many more!



**QUALIFICATIONS  
IN THIS SUBJECT  
ARE IN DEMAND\***  
See page 1 for details  
*\*2021 NI Skills Barometer*



**The lecturers are fantastic!**  
They are so inspiring and lovely to work with. It feels a lot more like friendship than student-teacher when learning from them.

**Ryan O'Connor**

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma  
in Creative Media (Film, TV and Radio)

*Ryan aspires to become a film director or screenwriter in the future*

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## Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma Gaming, Animation and VFX Skills\*

### Course Code

TBC

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

TBC

### Course Contact

Ian Broome  
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### Non-term time

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### Progression



\*Subject to validation

### 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.

### Core Modules

The course contains the following components:

- Art Fundamentals for the Games, Animation and VFX Industries
- Core Principles of Design for the Games, Animation and VFX Industries - Fundamentally
- 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

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 15 points or greater at GCSE, consisting of at least 4 GCSEs at Grade C (which includes Maths Grade C or above);

OR BTEC Level 2 First Diploma or equivalent at Pass or above with an overall profile equating to 15 points; OR NVQ Level 2 (in relevant subject area).

**ROI:** Leaving Certificate – a profile equivalent to 12 points (of which 3 subjects must be achieved at Grade C3 or better at Ordinary Level) pre-2017.

From 2017 onwards, or entry in 2018, 3 subjects must be achieved at 04 or better at Ordinary Level.

### Assessment

40% Coursework, 60% Exam.

Two external set and marked exams; written assignment; development portfolio; project and research report.

- 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

### Further Study

Students are well placed to progress to university as the Extended Diploma carries UCAS tariff points.

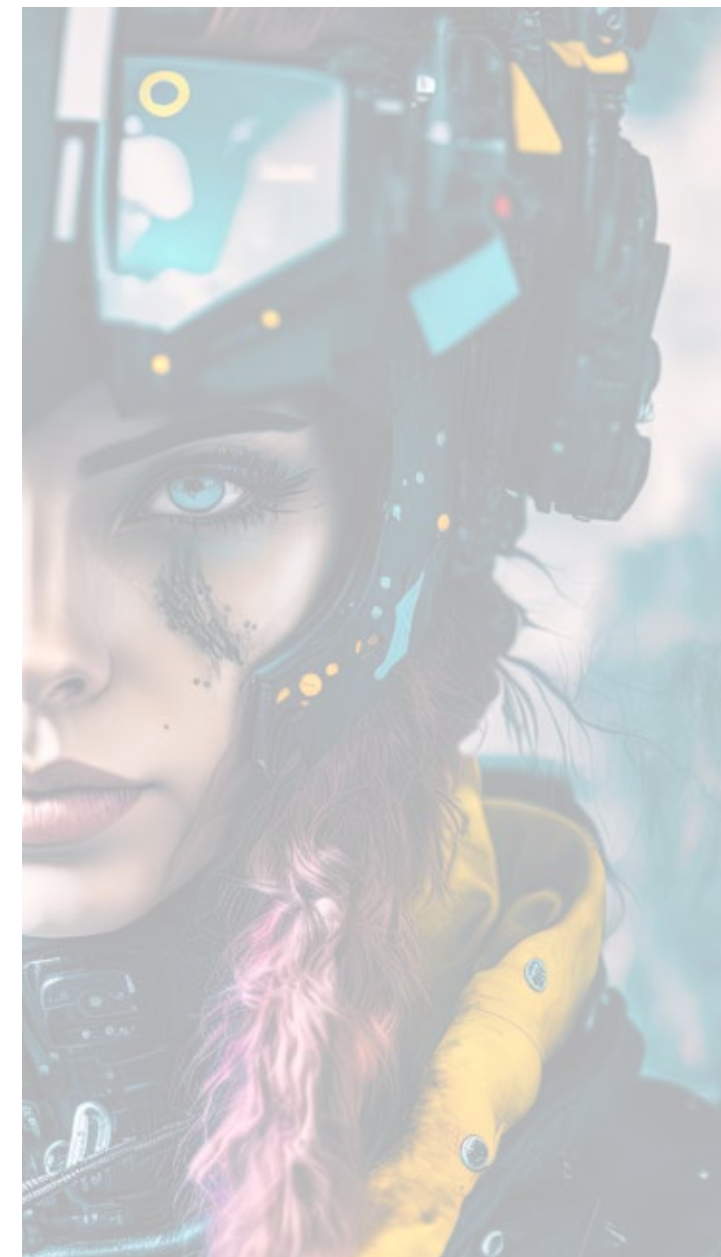
Options include:

- 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
- 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

### Your Future Career

Many students also progress onto Higher Level Apprenticeships:

- 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

### 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 qualification is focused on the skills and expertise needed to work in various aspects of the film and animation industries.

The 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 Editing
- Film Production
- Advertising Production
- Film Editing
- Multi Camera Techniques
- Single Camera
- Multi-Camera Techniques
- Factual Production
- Sound Production

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English. Interview required.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied. Interview required.

### Assessment

75% Coursework; 25% Exam

Units are assessed through coursework assessments set by lecturers and one externally marked exam per semester.

### Further Study

Equivalent to 3 A-Levels, this course allows you to progress to Higher Level study in Web and Multimedia Design, Media Studies, Animation and Media Production.

### Your Future Career

Careers may include:

- Animation
- Film and Television
- Marketing
- Social Media



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Creative Digital Media Production (Film and Television)

### Course Code

601/7469/9

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### 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 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 highly valued by employers, as successful students possess practical experience and a qualification equivalent to 3 A- Levels.

### 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 required.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied. Interview required.

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All applicants will be interviewed before selection and should have portfolio evidence of an interest in media related matters.

### Assessment

75% Coursework, 25% Exam. Units are assessed through coursework assessments set by lecturers and four externally marked exams (one at the end of each semester).

Applicants may also be required to demonstrate basic practical and academic skills in a portfolio.

### 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 Creative Media Production (Film)

### Course Code

603/2286/X (HNC)  
603/2282/2 (HND)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Years (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills required for success in future employment in the media industries, or for progression to an undergraduate degree. Covering many of the TV and film industry skills, the learning experience will take place in the purpose-designed media suite at Strand Road campus.

We use the latest technology including Virtual Reality and Drones and the course emphasis is in 'learning by doing', replicating the industry environment so that our students gain valuable experience and the value of teamwork.

We nurture the next generation of top talent who will create the broadcasts, films and other media content of the future.

### Core Modules

- Creative Media Industries
- Film and Video Editing
- Individual Project
- Advanced Film Production Studies
- Film Practices
- Personal Professional Development
- Collaborative Project (Pearson-set)
- Film Studies
- Professional Practice

### Optional Modules

- Film Studies
- Multi Camera Production
- Principles of Photography
- Sound Production for Moving Image
- Documentary
- Work Based Learning
- Videography

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus GCSE (Grade C or above) in English. Interview also required.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade 05 or above) in English. Interview also required.

### Assessment

100% Coursework.

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 two years of an Honours degree in film or media production in most UK universities.

### 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.







## Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Creative Digital Media Production (Journalism)

### Course Code

603/2286/X (HNC)  
603/2282/2 (HND)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Years (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills required for success in future employment, or for progression to an undergraduate degree or the NCTJ Diploma in Journalism course. Covering many aspects of TV, radio, photographic, print and online journalism, teaching will take place in the purpose-designed media suite in the Strand Road campus.

In Year 1 students will complete the HNC in Creative Media Production (Journalism) before progressing to the HND in Year 2. All students taking this course will contribute to the online multimedia weekly newspaper, iNews, and to the college radio station, 3CR. There will be opportunities to cover live events in print, video and audio to create podcasts and cover a range of topics in the wider area of journalism.

### Core Modules

- Creative Media Industries
- Individual Project
- Collaborative Project
- Digital Page Production
- Journalism Practices
- Advanced Journalism Studies
- Professional Practice
- Journalism and Society
- Personal Professional Development

### Optional Modules

- Radio Production
- Documentary
- Investigative Journalism
- Social Media
- News and Editorial
- Production Management
- Social Media

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points + GCSE (Grade C or above) in English.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points + OLC (Grade 05 or above) in English.

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Interview also required

### Assessment

100% Coursework. Students undertake a range of practical assignments including contributing to the online college publication iNews and running the college radio station.

### Work Placement

Students undertake a work based learning module in the second year of the course.

### Further Study

Students can progress to Higher Education study, including possible entry to Year Two undergraduate journalism degree courses at some universities.

Students may also progress, depending on HND achievement, to the NCTJ Diploma in Journalism course at NWRC.

### Your Future Career

BTEC Higher National qualifications 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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## Pearson BTEC Level 4/5 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Digital Design

### Course Code

603/0908/8 (HNC)  
603/0909/X (HND)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Years (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Non-term time

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### Progression



### Course Overview

Find your specialism/pathway in the areas of Graphic Design, Illustration, Motion-Design, Animation, Video Production and Web Design. The programme also covers Marketing, Social Media Advertising, Promotions, Campaigns, Live Performance and Art Based Conceptual Projects.

You will use the latest industry software, including Adobe Creative Cloud (Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Premiere, After Effects, Animate), FCPX, 3DSMax, Resolume /Touch Designer.

If you are from a Fine Art or Moving Image or Computing background then this course could be ideal for you. Driven by client led 'live' briefs and projects, this creative course is about producing and presenting high quality visual content for marketing, advertising, promotion and artistic purposes. You will also engage in campaigns for educational and commercial purposes.

This visual communication course will help you to find your specialism and develop your professional identity through experience of Live Projects, working with real clients.

The course encourages the development of imagination, initiative, original ideas and a professional work ethic for the production of the highest quality portfolio/show-reel of individual styles which places students in the best possible position when seeking employment or continuing to higher education.

### Core Modules

- Professional Development
- Advanced Digital Design Studies
- Applied Collaborative Practice
- Contextual Studies
- Creative Industries Placement
- Individual Project (Pearson Set)
- Brand Professional Development
- Techniques and Processes
- Screen-based Practices
- Digital Design Practices
- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice Collaborative Project (Pearson Set)

### Optional Modules

- Communication in Art and Design
- Visual Narratives
- Techniques and Processes
- Screen Based Practice
- Moving Image
- Conceptual Practice
- Professional Practice
- Creative Industries Placement

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus GCSE (Grade C or above) in English.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade 05 or above) in English.

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Interview also required.

### Assessment

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.

### 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

Potential career pathways include:

- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Motion Design
- Video Production
- Animation
- UX/UI Design
- Digital Marketing
- Advertising

# 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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IN THIS SUBJECT  
ARE IN DEMAND\***  
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**OUR STAFF AND  
STUDENTS ARE  
AWARD WINNERS**  
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I enrolled at NWRC and it was like all the pieces of the puzzle finally fit together. I settled in well as there wasn't any of the formalities of school, like a uniform.

**Joe Allan**  
Higher National Diploma in Music

*As a singer/songwriter Joe regularly gigs across the city and most recently was booked to perform at the Foyle Maritime Festival.*

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## RSL Level 2 Diploma

## Music Practitioners (Technology)

**Course Code**

601/7992/2

**Campus**

Derry~Londonderry

**Length of Study**

1 Year

**Additional Fees****Equipment:** Headphones**Awarding Body**

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

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This course explores core components of music production such as recording, music sequencing, promotion 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 170 seat performance 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

**Optional Modules**

- DJ skills
- Remixing and Production
- Music Style in Context
- Using a Digital Audio Workstation with a Keyboard
- Sound Recording
- Careers in Music
- Composing for Media

**Entry Requirements**

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above) plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition / interview.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade O6 or above) plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition / interview.

**Assessment**

100% Coursework.

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

**Length of Study**

2 Years

**Awarding Body**

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

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(028) 7127 6000**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 a 170 seat performance 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. Many students have also gone on to have successful careers working in all areas of the music industry.

**Core Modules**

- Performing Music Live

**Optional Modules**

- Rehearsing Music
- Collaborative Project
- Listening to Music
- Performing as a Session Musician
- Music Theory
- Using a Keyboard with a Digital Audio Workstation
- Practical Musicianship
- Performing Music for Recording

**Entry Requirements**

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above); OR equivalent (e.g. Level 2 diploma) 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. Students produce a portfolio of practical work to be assessed. A wide range of assessment methods are used, such as 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**

You may progress to higher level courses with NWRC or to a degree course at university. Many of our HND students have topped up to a full honours degree with just one additional year of study in England through our articulation agreements with Leeds College of Music and Leeds Beckett.

**Your Future Career**

Past students 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

603/5396/X (Subsidiary Diploma)  
603/5398/3 (Extended Diploma)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

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### Non-term time

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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. We focus on four main strands of work within the industry: music production, composition, studio and live music production. We also offer optional modules in DJ'ing, and instrumental and vocal performers may be able to work alongside the performers in the performance pathway in band /ensemble modules (subject to availability).

You will have access to two studios, apple macs with industry standard software, five practice rooms and a 170 seat theatre. You will be given the opportunity to 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

### Optional Modules

- Composing for Media Destinations
- Practical Sound Reinforcement
- Studio sound mixing
- Producing a music video
- DJ Skills
- Listening to Music

- Music Industry Revenue Flow
- Working in the Music Industry
- Live Event Lighting
- Analogue Synthesis

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) or equivalent (e.g. Level 2 Diploma) plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above); OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview.

### Assessment

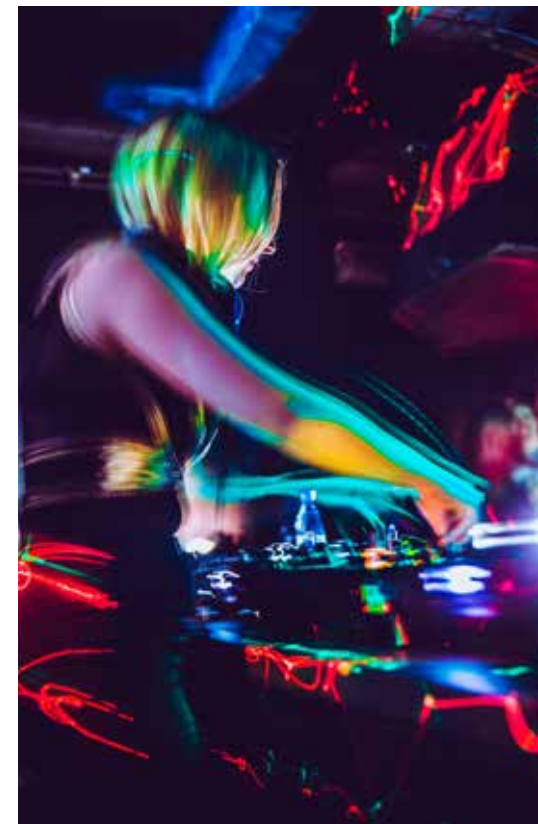
100% Coursework. A wide range of assessment methods are used including things like music production projects, observations of practical work, presentations and reports. By the end of the course students will have compiled a portfolio of practical work that will enhance their employment prospects.

### Further Study

This course will enable students to progress to higher level courses such as our own HND in Music Production or to a degree course at university.

### 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 and Artist Managers





## Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Music (Production Pathway)

### Course Code

603/2275/5 (HNC)  
603/2274/3 (HND)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Years (HND)

### Awarding Body

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

In Year 1 students will study towards a HNC (general pathway) with the option to progress onto Year 2 of a HND in a specialist area of study.

This course could lead you into the music industry. Being able to play an instrument is not a requirement, however you will need to have an ear for music and an interest in a wide range of musical genres. You will acquire and develop the practical skills of music production, both recorded and live. You will collaborate with musicians to produce original material and work on live briefs. You will also learn about the business side of the music industry. By the end of the course you will have produced a portfolio of work and devised a career plan.

The outstanding facilities include state-of-the-art recording studios, practice rooms, Apple Mac creative suites with the latest music software, and a custom-built 170 seat theatre.

You will have the opportunity to learn and develop technical skills and benefit from the knowledge and experience of tutors and technicians who continue to work actively in the music industry. Success in this course can lead either to working in a music career straight away or to further study at university.

### Core Modules

- Music industry
- Marketing and promotion
- Professional development
- Creative research

### Optional Modules

- Composing using technology
- Arranging and remixing
- Sound engineering fundamentals
- Live sound techniques
- Music production fundamentals
- Advanced music production
- Mixing and mastering
- Musicology
- Advanced composing using technology
- Sound for media products
- Project management

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview and/or audition.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points equivalent plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview and/or audition.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. The course is focused on practical project based learning. Every unit has written elements which include planning, written reports and self reflection.

### Further Study

Direct entry to the final year of an Honours Degree programme is possible with both Leeds College of Music and Leeds Beckett University. Advanced entry into second year with Queen's University and various other universities is also a possibility.

### Your Future Career

This course gives a general grounding in all aspects of the music business. Depending on the choice of subjects, graduates will leave prepared for a career as a performer or as a production professional.



## Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Music (Session Musician Pathway)

### Course Code

603/2275/5 (HNC)  
603/2274/3 (HND)

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)  
2 Years (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
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### Progression



### Course Overview

In Year 1 students will study towards a HNC (general pathway) with the option to progress onto Year 2 of a HND in a specialist area of study.

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

On the course you will learn the skills required of a modern performer such as how to rehearse and perform in live gigs, how to make the most of working in a recording studio and also the business side of the music industry. Performance, theory, aural training and composition are combined with technology skills to provide a varied training programme.

The outstanding Music facilities at NWRC include rehearsal spaces, recording studios, Apple Mac suites and a 170 seat theatre. You will have the opportunity to learn and develop technical skills and benefit from the knowledge and experience of tutors.

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

### Core Modules

- Marketing and promotion
- Creative research
- Professional development
- Music industry

### Optional Modules

- Fundamentals of composition
- Composing using technology
- Applied music theory
- Performing
- Songwriting
- Advanced performance skills
- Live arrangement skills
- Project management
- Composing to a brief
- Musicology

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview/ audition.

**ROI:** 32 UCAS Points equivalent plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory interview/ audition.

### Assessment

100% Coursework. The course is assessed using project based learning. Most units are a mixture of practical and theoretical elements and all units are assessed via coursework assignments.

### Further Study

Direct entry to the final year of an honours degree programme is a possibility at both Leeds College of Music and Leeds Beckett

### Your Future Career

The course provides invaluable experiences working in real life scenarios that have led to many of our graduates successfully working in the industry as session musicians, music producers, sound engineers, teachers, managers, composers and more!



# Performing Arts



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PERFORMING ARTS  
COURSES



## Career Paths

- > Actor
- > Dancer
- > Theatre Director
- > Choreographer
- > Scriptwriter
- > Set and Sound Designer
- > Stage Manager
- > Lighting Technician

...plus many more!



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**Studying at NWRC was the best two years of my life. I'm now signed with one of the biggest Talent Agents in the UK.**

**Olivia McBride**

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma  
in Performing Arts

*Olivia performed the lead role of Johanna in 'Sweeney Todd' at the Performance Perpetration Academy in London.*

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## RSL Level 2 Diploma

# Creative and Performing Arts

### Course Code

601/7681/7

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### Awarding Body

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

This exciting practical course is new for 2023. It will provide students with the opportunity to develop skills in Performing Arts, learning from experienced industry practitioners.

The range of subjects will include dance, musical theatre, acting, set design and career planning. The aim of this course is to give students and young people new to, or with experience in Performing Arts, a taster for a range of disciplines within the industry.

This course will help you lay the foundations in your Performing Arts education and act as a steppingstone to further your education.

Progression to Level 3 and then HNC/D is available at NWRC. This is an excellent way to prepare yourself for a career in the Performing Arts industry.

### Core Modules

- Final Production
- Planning for a Career in the Creative and Performing Arts

### Optional Modules

- Dance Techniques and Performance
- Musical Theatre Performance
- Set Design

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSE's, Grade D-G or above plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

**ROI:** 4 OLCs, Grade O6 or above plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition/ interview.

### Assessment

100% Coursework

The course is assessed via practical projects, reports and evaluations.

### Further Study

Potential to progress onto Level 3 course in Performing Arts (subject to interview / audition).

### Your Future Career

This course will provide students with the opportunity to gain a qualification and skills which can lead to working in the industry in a variety of roles.



## 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

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Rockschool Ltd (RSL)

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(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. Our students have been prize winners in the Northern Ireland Inter College Performing Arts Competitions.

The course is based in the Foyle Performance Theatre, complete with dressing rooms, costume store, stage craft and property workshops. AV equipment are of the highest professional standard. 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

### Optional Modules

- Elizabethan or Jacobean Theatre
- Planning for a Career in Creative and Performing Arts
- Set Design

- Vocal Techniques - Music
- Voice Over Acting
- Stage Management
- 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) 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. 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 progression 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 Higher National Certificate / Diploma Performing Arts (Acting Pathway)

### Course Code

603/2377/2

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year (HNC)

2 Years (HND)

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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### Non-term time

Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

### Progression



### Course Overview

In Year 1 students will study towards a HNC (general pathway) with the option to progress onto Year 2 of a HND in a specialist area of study.

This dynamic, multi-faceted course will provide you with a path to employment in a variety of on stage and off stage careers such as community performing arts, broadcasting, drama therapy and professional theatre.

Building on your previous qualifications and experience, the course will allow you to enhance your skills in preparation for further studies at university level. Students of the course have been prize winners each year in the Northern Ireland Inter College Performing Arts Competitions. The course is delivered in our exceptionally well resourced Foyle Building, complete with a 170-seat theatre, dressing rooms, stage craft and property workshops and costume store. Lighting and sound equipment are of the highest professional standard.

Numerous public performances take place here, and all students get many opportunities to be on stage or in off stage support roles.

In the last few years our programme has included ambitious live theatre versions of films such as Pulp Fiction, Reservoir Dogs, The Big Lebowski and Shaun of the Dead.

### Core Modules

- Professional Development
- The Performing Arts Industry
- Creative Research

### Optional Modules

- Acting 1
- Acting 2
- Acting for Camera
- Auditioning
- Choreography 1
- Choreography 2
- Dance for Camera
- Directing
- Management Role
- Musical Theatre History in Practice (Singing / Acting)
- Physical Theatre
- Sound Operation
- Stagecraft
- Working in the Performing Arts Industry

### Entry Requirements

32 UCAS Points, plus satisfactory standard achieved at mandatory audition / interview.

Students with acting, dance or technical theatre experience are encouraged to apply.

### Assessment

100% Coursework.

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 to second year in a number of drama / performing arts degree courses at UCLAN, Queens, Ulster University and onto third year at the University of West of Scotland (UWS).

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.

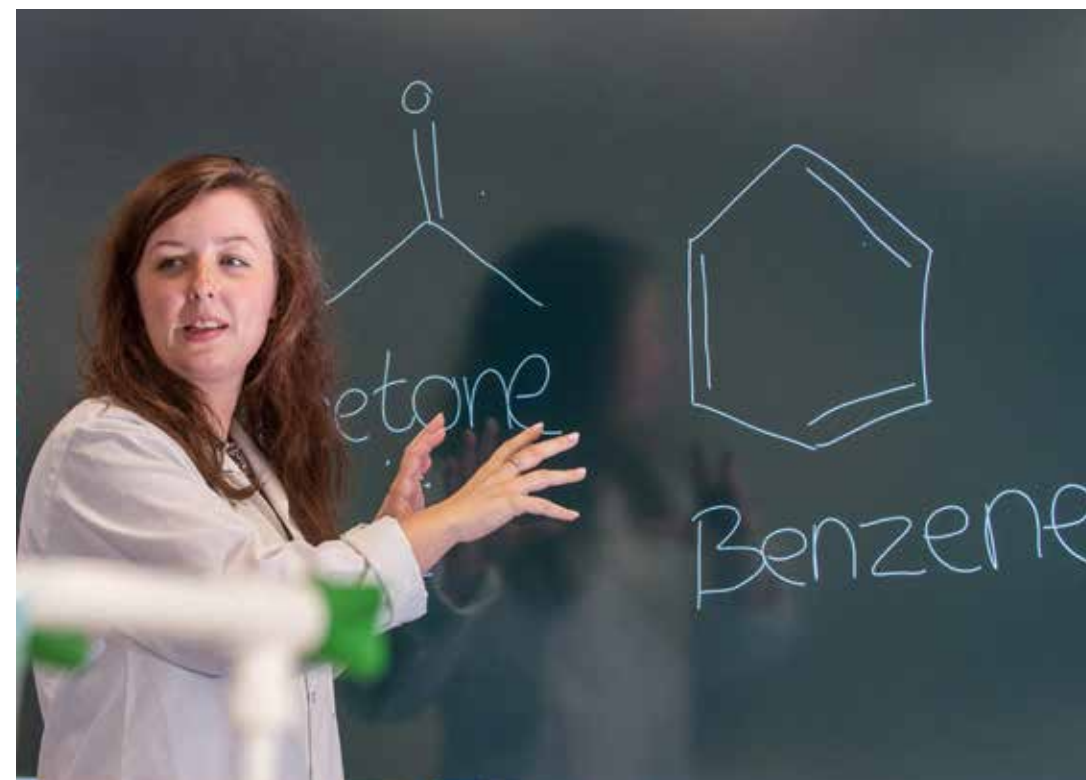




# Science



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SCIENCE COURSES



## Career Paths

- > Veterinary Nurse
  - > Forensic Scientist
  - > Dietitian
  - > Chemistry Teacher
  - > Pharmacist
  - > Geneticist
  - > Medical Lab Assistant
  - > Biochemist
- ...plus many more!



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**NWRC helped prepare me for University. My science course led on to a degree in Dietetics and then a PhD. I am now a lecturer in Dietetics at Ulster University, Coleraine.**

**Caomhan Logue**  
Access Diploma in Science

*Caomhan previously completed a BA (Hons) in Irish History and Politics before deciding to follow a completely different path.*





## City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma Veterinary Care Assistants

**Course Code**  
600/0106/9

**Campus**  
Limavady

**Length of Study**  
1 Year (Full-Time or Part-Time)

**Awarding Body**  
City & Guilds

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**Non-term time**  
Admissions Office  
(028) 7127 6000

**Progression**



### Course Overview

If you're 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 or Veterinary Nurse. It is designed to provide practical competence and underpinning knowledge that is relevant to the role of veterinary carer 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

No formal entry requirements but prospective students must secure a placement in a veterinary practice.

Preference will be given to applicants who have secured a work placement in a veterinary practice.

### Assessment

100% Coursework.

The qualification will be assessed using the following methods: placement portfolio, practical skills observation and written coursework (essays, case studies, diagrams, definition sheets, written reports, 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.

### 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 NWR
- 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.

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## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Applied Science (Analytical and Forensic Science)

### Course Code

500/6720/5

### 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 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. 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 many progression pathways.

Within the course there are forensic science units which allow an insight into this specialist work as well as a combination of optional modules opening doors into both employment and further study in a range of applied science areas.

This course is combined of both external and internal assignments. The external assessments are exams based on practical skills, research development, knowledge and application across biology, chemistry, and physics contexts. The internal assignments are assessed using assignments, many with a strong focus on practical work and industry related knowledge.

There are opportunities for project development in a science area of your choosing and the potential to enter Worldskills competitions.

### Core Modules

- Principles and Application of Science I and II
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques

- Science Investigation Skills
- Laboratory Techniques and their Application
- Investigative Project
- Contemporary Issues in Science

### Optional Modules

- Forensic Traffic Collision Investigation
- Genetics and Genetic Engineering
- Microbiology and Microbiological Techniques
- Practical Chemical Analysis
- Forensics Evidence, Collection and Analysis
- Forensic Fire Investigation

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including a Science subject, English and Maths;

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 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 you develop a broad range of transferable skills.

Learners will have 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.

The exam assessment includes both set tasks in practical scientific investigation skills and contemporary issues in science as well as more biology, chemistry and physics exams 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 careers 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
- Physiotherapist
- Veterinary Nurse

Both the Science Council and the Royal Society of Chemistry endorse this course as a qualification that can lead to professional recognition as a registered Science Technician.



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Applied Science (Biomedical Science)

### Course Code

500/6720/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### 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

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 provides an insight into working within biomedical science, pathology, microbiology, genetics, haematology, and medical physics professions, alongside a strong focus on the application of biological concepts within industry.

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

This course is perfect if you have an interest in problem solving and investigation. The requirements of the qualification will help you to develop the transferable and practical skills that are highly regarded by both HE and employers.

The course offers a learner-centred approach and is majority coursework based, with some exams and externally assessed units.

### Core Modules

- Contemporary Issues in Science
- Investigative Project
- Laboratory Techniques and their Application
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques
- Principles and Application of Science I and II
- Science Investigation Skills

### Optional Modules

- Biological Molecules and Metabolic Pathways
- Biomedical Science
- Genetics and Genetic Engineering
- Microbiology and Microbiological Techniques
- Physiology of Human Body Systems
- Practical Chemical Analysis

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 05 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 you develop a broad range of transferable skills.

Learners will have 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.

The exam assessment includes both set tasks in practical scientific investigation skills and contemporary issues in science as well as more biology, chemistry and physics exams on a par with traditional A-Levels.

### Further Study

You can progress to higher education courses including the Foundation Degree in Applied and Medical Sciences 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 skills, knowledge required to work in a broad range of careers, including:

- Agricultural Research Scientist
- Ambulance Paramedic
- Audiologist
- Biochemist
- Biomedical Scientist
- Chemical Engineer
- Chemical Plant Process Operator
- Food Scientist
- Laboratory Technician
- Medical Laboratory Assistant
- Microbiologist
- Occupational Therapist
- Physiotherapist

Recognised by both the Science Council and Royal Society of Chemistry as a course which will contribute to a professional qualification of RSciTech.





## Vetskill Level 3 Diploma Veterinary Nursing (Companion Animal)

### Course Code

603/3359/5

### Campus

Limavady

### Length of Study

2.5 Years (Full-Time or Part-Time)

### Awarding Body

Vetskill

### Course Contact

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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 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 equip Veterinary Nurses with a holistic approach to their work, as well as for making a real difference to the lives of animals. It provides 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

- Anaesthesia and Theatre Nursing Skills
- Diagnostic Principles
- Life Stage Nursing Care and Support
- Pharmacology and Dispensary Management

- Practical Veterinary Nursing Skills 2
- Principles of Veterinary Nursing Care 1 and 2
- Professional Veterinary Nursing Responsibilities
- Surgical Nursing and Patient Care

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** Students must 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.

**ROI:** Students must 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) and start this programme.

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If you do not meet the GCSE / 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.

Prospective students must secure a placement within an RCVS approved Veterinary Training Practice. Preference will be given to students who have secured a work placement. Assessment

### Assessment

60% Coursework; 40% Exam. The course 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 two years, students will work in a veterinary setting, under the supervision of a fully qualified Veterinary Surgeon. Students will need to complete a minimum of 1,800 hours in a veterinary practice.

Note, whilst the NWRC Employer Liaison Officer will assist prospective students in finding a placement, it is the responsibility of the student to secure their own placement.

### Further Study

Students may progress onto other higher-level qualifications within the sector including the BSc Veterinary Nursing programme.

### Your Future Career

On successful completion of the course 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.



**Course no longer being offered for 2023-24**

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## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Medical and Applied Sciences

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry-Londonderry

### 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 two year course aims to provide a vocationally relevant science education for those wishing to follow careers in the applied and medical sciences; 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 the applied and medical sciences.

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 (thinking) skills are developed through researching information, statistical analysis of results, effective communication, critical analysis, evaluation and self-evaluation.

The course is designed to be practical, and therefore applied skills are developed through practical laboratory classes and laboratory 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

- Biochemistry and Human Nutrition
- Laboratory Skills and Safety
- Cell Biology
- Introduction to Evidence Based Professional Practice
- Work Based Learning 1 and 2
- Introduction to Biology and Chemistry for Bioscience
- Introduction to Laboratory Practice for Applied and Medical Sciences
- Human Physiology and Anatomy
- Scientific Communication, Maths and Statistics for Bioscience
- Chemistry and Pharmacology
- Professional Practice in the Laboratory

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS points including an A Level pass in a science subject (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths or equivalent), AND GCSE English Grade C or equivalent (e.g. Essential Skills Level 2 Communications) and GCSE Maths Grade C (please note - Level 2 Essential Skills Numeracy is not accepted). Interview is also required.

**ROI:** 48 UCAS points including 1 Higher Leaving Cert Pass (Grade D/ H6) in Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths or equivalent) + OLC (Grade O4 or above) to include Maths, English and Science. Interview is also required.

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Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) may be considered for entry. See page 18 for more information.

### Assessment

60% Coursework, 40% Exam.  
This course is assessed with a variety of assessment methods to include written reports, examinations, work-based projects and portfolios, academic poster presentations, workplace observation of practice and assessment records and work placement logbooks.

### Work Placement

In Year 2 of the full-time programme you are expected to complete two work-based modules 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 Year 2 of a range of related degree programmes at Ulster University or elsewhere, or can enter at Year 1 of a wide range of degree courses.

### Your Future Career

As a result of completing this course you may also explore employment opportunities in this field which could include:

- Pharmacy Technician
- Dietetic Assistant
- Cardiology Technician
- Audiology Technician
- Basic Level Pharmacology Staff
- School Technician
- Assistant Grade Professional



# Sport & Fitness



SCAN TO VIEW  
SPORTS COURSES



## Career Paths

- > Coach
  - > Personal Trainer
  - > Sport Massage Therapist
  - > Physiotherapist
  - > Emergency Services
  - > PE Teacher
  - > Sports Science
  - > Paramedic
- ...plus many more!



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I wouldn't be where I am today if I hadn't make the educational choices I did. I developed knowledge and understanding at NWRC that helped me in my career. I now work for a football club that I love.

**Conor Loughrey**  
BTEC Level 3 / 4 in Sport

*Conor now works as First-Team Coach and Opposition Analyst for Derry City Football Club.*

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## OCN NI Level 2 Diploma Sport

### Course Code

603/2566/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

1 Year

### 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

This course is aimed at students who have completed their GCSEs or mature learners who are returning to full-time education. Through coursework and practical activities, you will begin to develop knowledge and skills required for progression to higher level sports programme or a career in this exciting industry.

You will study units about the structure and function of the systems within the human body; how to plan and deliver coaching sessions; the components of fitness and how these are tested; and you will also take part in outdoor activities such as orienteering and canoeing.

You will be required to complete Essential Skills in Literacy and Numeracy if you do not have a GCSE Grade C or equivalent in English and Maths. You will have the opportunity to gain coaching skills and real-life industry experience.

### 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

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grades D-G or above);

**ROI:** 4 OLCs (Grade 06 or above).

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

100% Coursework; The course is assessed entirely through coursework - no external exams.

### Further Study

Successful students can progress to any of our Level 3 Sport programmes:

- Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport
- Fitness and Personal Training
- Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Exercise Sciences
- Level 3 Extended Diploma in Uniformed Public Services

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

Successful students who gain extra qualifications in addition to studying their Level 2 in Sport may wish to progress to employment.







## Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma Sport and Exercise Science

### Course Code

601/7422/5

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

### Course Contact

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Limavady

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This very popular course has an excellent reputation for success and attracts students from a wide range of backgrounds including those competing in sport at county, provincial and international level.

It enables you to prepare for university study as it is equivalent to 3 A-Levels and has a special focus on the sciences required for a career working in sport science, sports therapy, sports nutrition, performance analysis, PE teaching, physiotherapy, sports injuries and strength & conditioning.

This course is assessed mainly with coursework with a small element of exam assessment.

You will have the opportunity to perform specialist testing protocols such as gas analysis in our Sport Science Lab and use specialist software such as STATSport, GPS, Dartfish and SPSS.

You will have the opportunity to gain coaching qualifications as well as develop skills and experience in coaching through practical sessions. You will also play for a number of College teams and we also offer a variety of fitness-related classes.

**Our Sports Science teaching team includes UK Pearson Silver Award winning lecturer Ivor Neill** (see page 12 for more details).

### Core Modules

- Specialised Fitness Training
- Applied Sports Psychology
- Coaching for Performance and Fitness
- Functional Anatomy
- Applied Research Methods
- Research Project
- Sports Injury and 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.

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

70% Coursework; 30% Exam;  
External assessments in Sport & Exercise Physiology, Functional Anatomy, Applied Sport & Exercise Psychology, and Nutrition for Sport & Exercise Performance

### Work Placement

In Year 2 of the course, we offer the opportunity to complete an Erasmus project to a European country.

In 2019, sports students travelled to Malta for a two-week work placements in sports coaching, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, fitness instructing and teaching.

### Further Study

This qualification enables progression to a variety of degree programmes including:

#### Ulster University (Jordanstown)

- BSc (Hons) Sport Studies
- BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Sciences
- BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy

#### Ulster University (Magee)

- BSc (Hons) in Sport, Physical Activity and Health
- BSc (Hons) in Nursing

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.

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

Successful students who gain extra qualifications in addition to studying Level 3 Sport and Exercise Science may wish to progress directly to employment.

Past students have gone on to successful careers as:

- Sport Scientists
- Physiotherapists
- PE Teachers
- Lecturers in Sport
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Sport Development Officers
- Fitness Club Managers
- Sports Massage Therapists
- Performance Analysts
- Coaches
- Health Promotion Officers



## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma Sport, Fitness and Personal Training

### Course Code

603/4928/1

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry  
Limavady  
Strabane

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Course Overview

This is an exciting new course at NWRC. The health and fitness industry is continuing to grow, leading to many employment opportunities for people with industry-recognised qualifications.

The mandatory content of this course allows learners to develop technical skills in working with clients in a health and fitness environment. Many lecturers on the team are active practitioners in the fitness industry, with a wealth of professional industry experience. These qualifications are intended for post-16 learners who are looking to progress to employment or higher education.

This course is ideal for students keen to continue to higher education, e.g. progression to Foundation Degree or University Degree programmes. It is a full extended Diploma meaning it is equivalent to 3 A Levels, allowing for opportunity to gain UCAS points for progression to University.

### Core Modules

- Business and Technology in Personal Training
- Careers in Sport and Active Leisure
- Fitness Skills Development
- Health, Wellbeing and Sport
- Nutrition for Physical Performance
- Personal Skills Development
- Personal Trainer Skills Development
- Self-employment in Sport and Physical Activity

### Optional Modules

- Research Project in Sport
- Sports Injuries
- Functional Sports Massage
- Fitness Testing
- Organising Events in Sport

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above); OR Level 2 Diploma.

**ROI:** 4 OLC (Grade O5 or above); OR Leaving Certificate Applied – Merit.

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

85% Coursework; 15% Exam.

All BTEC Diploma units are internally graded through coursework. Within the industry qualifications there are two units that are external exams.

### Work Placement

The nature of this course will require students to engage with employers within the industry at regular intervals.

In Year 2 of the programme students have the opportunity to complete an Erasmus project to a European country.

In 2019 sports students travelled to Malta for a two-week work placements in Sports Coaching, Fitness Instructing, and Teaching.

### Further Study

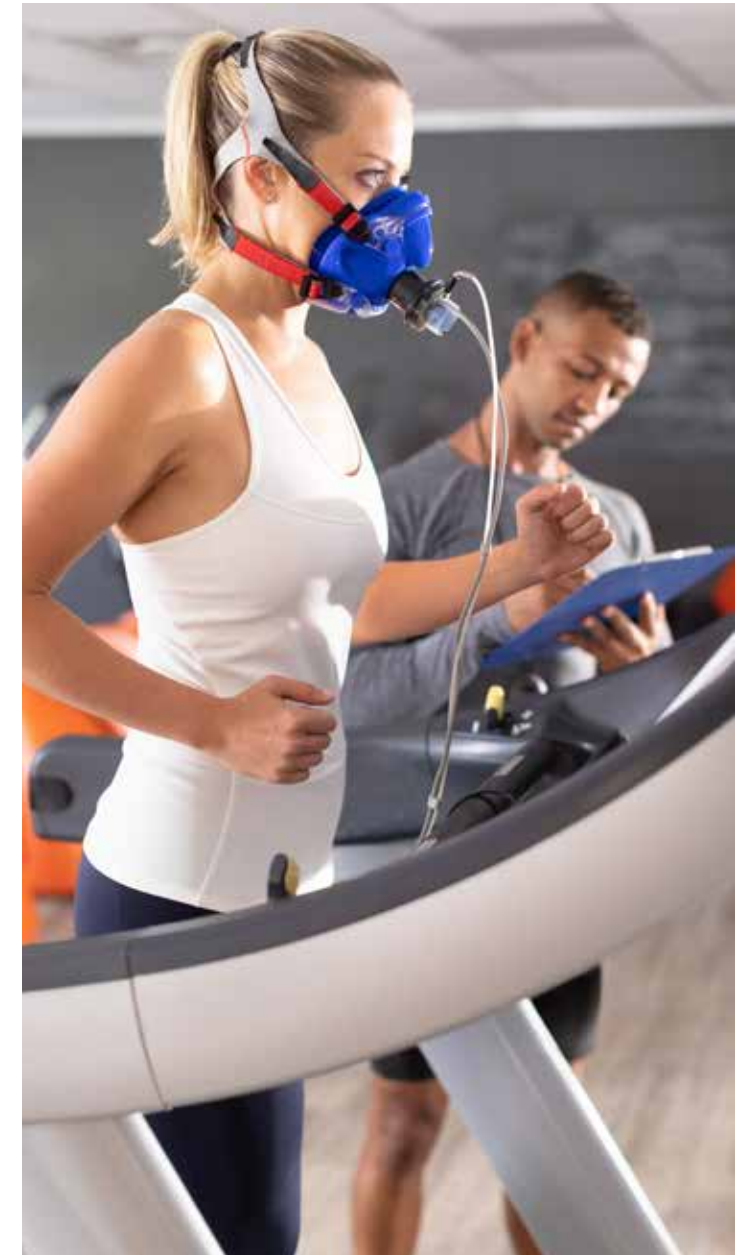
Students will achieve UCAS points through completion of this course. Therefore, progression to higher education, i.e. Foundation Degrees and University Degrees remains a valid option for many students.

Depending on the grade profile achieved, progression routes can include our Foundation Degree in Sport (validated by Ulster University) and degrees such as PE Teaching, Sports Coaching, Fitness Instruction and Sports Development at universities such as Ulster University, Liverpool Hope, Liverpool John Moore's and University of Central Lancashire.

### Your Future Career

This course is ideal for students keen to move directly into employment within the fitness industry.

The course content provides learners with up-to-date knowledge, understanding and practical skills to pursue a career in the fitness industry.







## Pearson BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma Uniformed Protective Services

### Course Code

603/5068/4

### Campus

Limavady

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Awarding Body

Pearson BTEC

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This course provides opportunities for learners to develop key skills to work in the uniformed services.

It will be of particular interest for those who wish to pursue a career in the Police, Fire, Ambulance, and Prison as well as the Armed Services (Army, Navy, and RAF), HM Customs and Excise and other emergency related organisations.

Our Limavady campus is an ideal location with access to numerous uniformed service providers.

The purpose of this course is to help people become occupationally ready for employment in the uniformed public services sector at the appropriate level either directly after achieving the qualification, or via the steppingstone of Higher Education (HE) in university or college.

Assessments are mostly internally set assignments e.g. essays, reports, practical assessments, or role plays. There are 2 external exams on the course. The course combines theory-based lessons with practical sessions such as outdoor adventure, and fitness testing and training.

**Our Sports Science teaching team includes UK Pearson Silver Award winning lecturer Ivor Neill** (see page 12 for more details).

### 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.

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Attendance at course information session is optional.

### Assessment

80% Coursework; 20% Exam. 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 Erasmus project to a European country.

In 2019 students travelled to Malta for two-week work placements. On this course you will also get the opportunity to complete your Emergency First Aid qualification, and engage in Outdoor Adventure expeditions, day trips, and a residential. Work placement will form part of this programme of study.

### Further Study

The course provides a well-established route into a variety of specialist Higher Education (HE) courses in this sector and beyond, fully meeting entry requirements for most courses.

### Your Future Career

Potential careers include work in the public services, for example the police, coast guard, fire service, and armed forces.





## Ulster University Level 5 Foundation Degree (FdSc) Sport, Coaching and Fitness

### Course Code

N/A

### Campus

Derry~Londonderry

### Length of Study

2 Years

### Additional Fees

Kits: £50 (approx)

Books: £50 (approx)

### Awarding Body

Ulster University

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### Progression



### Course Overview

This programme is validated by Ulster University and offers an excellent pathway to a degree programme based on a 'two plus two' model; thus, potentially achieving a degree within a 4 year period. It attracts students from various academic and sporting backgrounds including national and international athletes.

Additional coaching and sport related qualifications will be offered which may or may not incur a small fee.

### Core Modules

- Anatomy and Physiology
- 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 and Conditioning

### Entry Requirements

**UK:** 48 UCAS tariff points, plus 3 GCSE subjects at Grade C including English Language and Mathematics, or equivalent. Applicants must also satisfy the University's general entry requirements as set out in the prospectus.

**ROI:** 64 UCAS Points, plus OLCs (Grade 04 or above) in English and Mathematics. Applicants must also satisfy the University's general entry requirements as set out in the prospectus.

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Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) may be considered for entry. For details see page 18. The initial offer standard may vary from year to year.

Attendance at course information session is optional.

### 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

Students will undertake a minimum of 280 hours of work placement as part of the Work-Based Learning module.

This can take place in a variety of sport settings.

### Further Study

On completion, you may apply for advanced entry to Year 2 of the BSc (Hons) Sport & Exercise Science or Sports Studies or Year 3 of Sports Coaching at Ulster University, providing pre-set standards have been achieved.

You can also progress to Year 3 of the BSc (Hons) in Sport and Exercise at ATU (formally LYIT) or one year top-up degrees in UK universities. Assessments include practicals, written assignments and exams.

Additional coaching and sport-related qualifications will be offered which may incur a small fee.

### Further Study

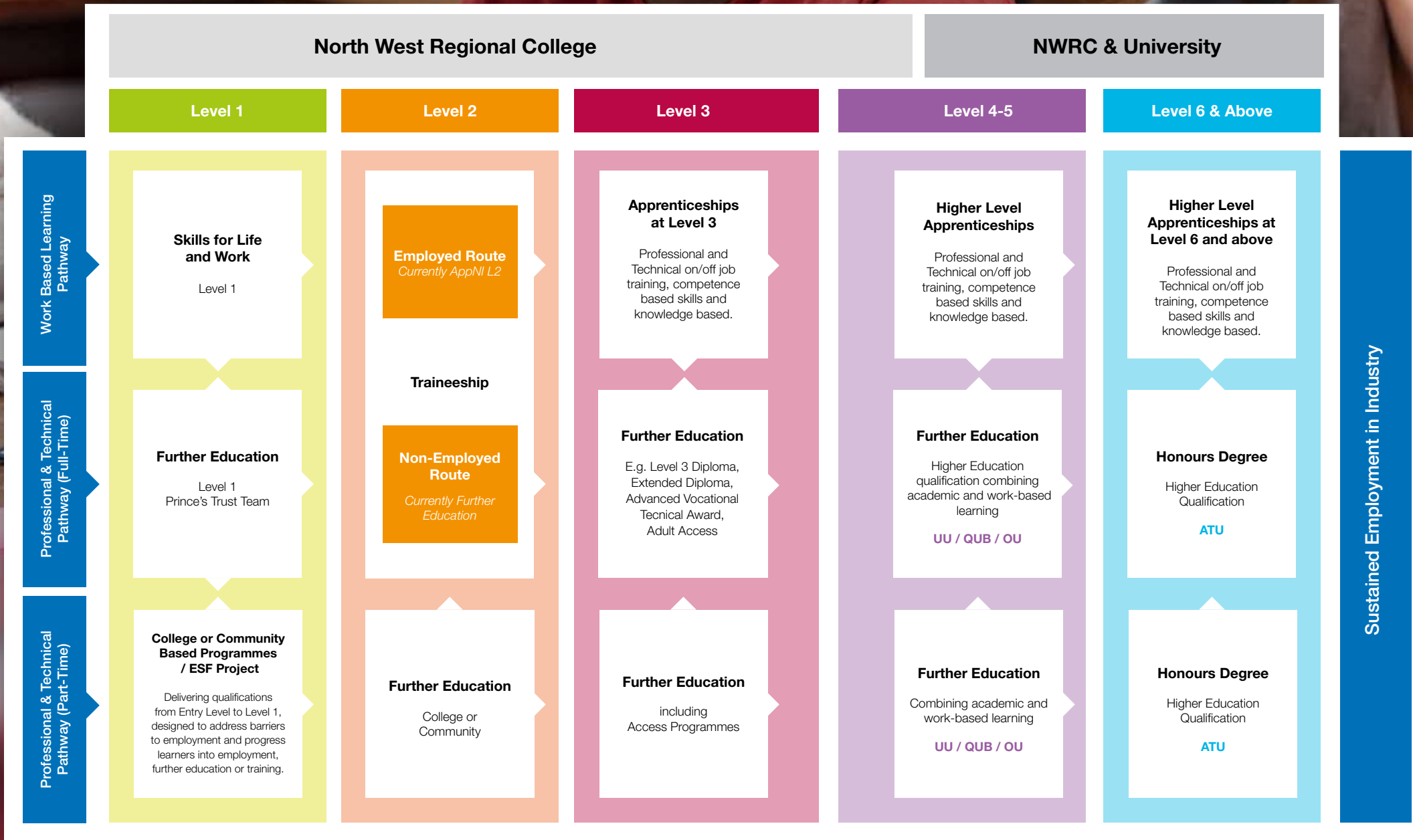
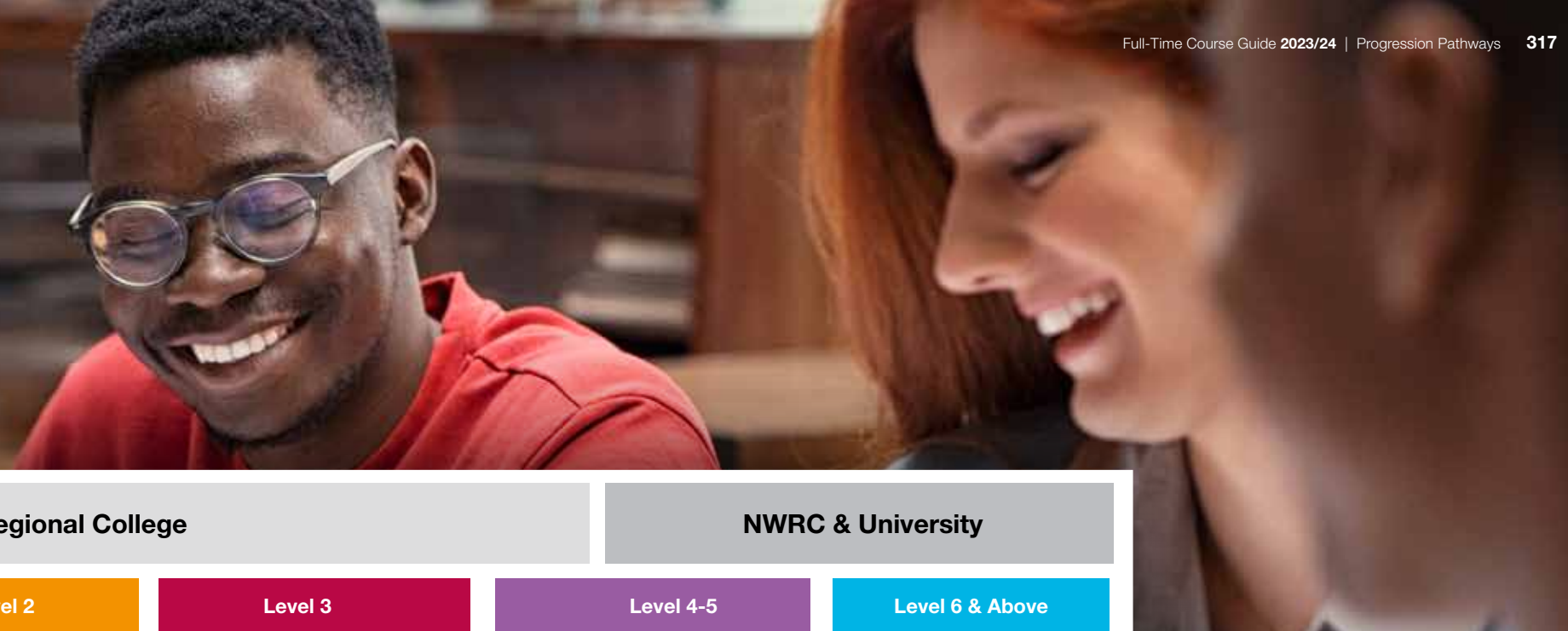
On completion, you may apply for advanced entry to Year 2 of the BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Science or BSc (Hons) Sport, Physical Activity and Health or BSc (Hons) Sports Studies or Year 3 of BSc Sports Coaching at Ulster University, providing the pre-set standards have been achieved.

Alternatively, you may progress to a related degree course or onto a one-year top-up degree in other UK Universities. There is also the opportunity to progress to Year 3 of the BSc (Hons) Degree in Sport and Exercise at ATU (formally LYIT).





# Progression Pathways



# 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

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

Terms which relate 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 include 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.

## Erasmus+

An internationally funded project 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, 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.

## Prince'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.

## 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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