



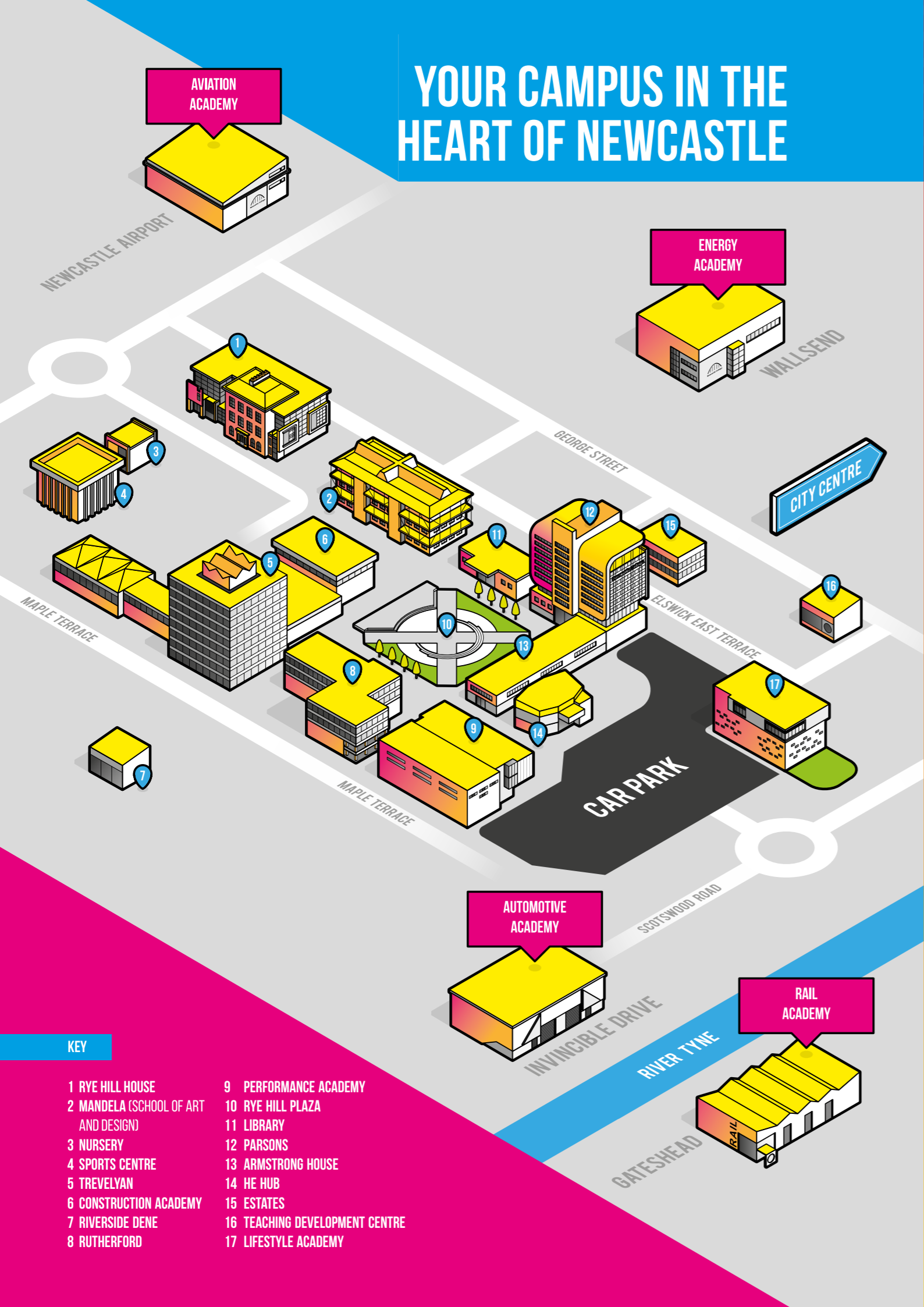
Newcastle College



ADULT COURSE GUIDE.



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ADULT COURSE OFFER

At Newcastle College we want to give you every opportunity to be able to get a job, retrain, pursue your passion or secure that all important promotion. Here you'll find a range of courses designed to give you the knowledge, skills and qualifications to achieve your ambition.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We're committed to supporting you throughout your learning journey. That's why we offer a means-tested bursary, funded by the Adult Skills Fund or Advanced Learner Loan funding bodies, designed to help you overcome financial barriers that may affect your ability to fully participate and succeed in your course.*

If you fall into one of the following categories, you may be eligible to apply for support from the 19+ Bursary:

- Joint Household or Household with Dependants – income less than £32,300
- Single Household – income between £9,360 and £21,530

What Support Could You Receive?

Your eligibility for support depends on your household income tier, the type of course you're studying, and whether you've been referred or mandated to attend. Depending on your circumstances, you may be entitled to one or more of the following:

- FREE travel support (subject to mileage criteria)**
- FREE equipment and trips
- FREE childcare support

*Support is subject to change

**You must be funded via the Adult Skills Fund or Advanced Learner Loan to be eligible.



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I have to get two buses to get to college. However, I've benefitted from the free bus pass from the College, so that makes it easier.

THOMAS SOLOMON

Level 2 Certificate in Digital and IT Skills

HELP WITH COURSE FEES

Depending on your circumstances you may be eligible for free or discounted study. Within the course section of this guide, course costs are outlined in the fee columns, split by category (where applicable). You can find out further information about your eligibility by referring to the table below. If you need further help or advice, simply call our Student Services Team on **0191 200 4000** or email **enquiries@ncl-coll.ac.uk**

FEES CATEGORIES EXPLAINED

Category A

- In receipt of Jobseeker's Allowance (JSA).
- In receipt of Employment and Support Allowance (ESA) and are in the work-related activity group (WRAG).
- In receipt of Universal Credit (UC), and your take-home pay as recorded on your UC statement (disregarding UC payments and other benefits) is less than £952 a month (you are the sole adult in your benefit claim) or £1,534 a month (you have a joint benefit claim with your partner) and are determined by Jobcentre Plus (JCP) as being in one of the following groups:
 - All Work Related Requirements Group
 - Work Preparation Group
 - Work Focused Interview Group.
- Other unemployed adults who are in receipt of other state benefits (not included in the list above) and your take-home pay (disregarding UC payments and other benefits) is less than £952 a month (you are the sole adult in your benefit claim) or £1,534 a month (you have a joint benefit claim with your partner) or
- Earn an annual gross salary of less than £30,000 and studying up to and including Level 2.
- Aged 19-23 and planning to study towards your first full Level 2 or first full Level 3.
- English and Maths provision for all adults up to and including Level 2, who have not previously attained a GCSE grade A* - C or grade 4, or higher.

The above criteria is only applicable to courses available for adult funding or the Free Courses for Jobs offer, and where the learners specific funding criteria is available for the specific course requested.

Category B

- For those who do not meet the below £30,000 earnings threshold or employed criteria, planning to study up to and including Level 2. This will show the Co-Funded contribution to be paid towards the course.

Category C

- If none of the above apply this category will show the full cost fee for the course.

Advanced Learner Loan

A loan scheme is available from the government to help learners aged 19+ studying Level 3 to Level 6 further education or professional qualifications (excluding degrees). The amount you will receive depends on the type of course you study and the course fees. To apply and for more information visit **www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan** Within this guide the Adult Learner Loan fee is the amount you will need to take an Adult Learner Loan out for to cover the cost of the course.

Free Courses for Jobs

- A number of courses within this guide are listed as free as part of the Free Courses for Jobs initiative which is applicable if you are aged 19+. The qualification is listed on the Level 3 FCFJ offer list and you meet the eligibility criteria for being below the £30,000 earnings threshold or are unemployed.



The tutors here are incredible — so knowledgeable, supportive, and genuinely understanding. Everyone is so welcoming, and it's been amazing to connect with people who share my passion for supporting mental health. I don't get out socially as much as I used to, so being part of a like-minded community really means a lot.

STACEY LAYZELL

Level 4 Counselling Skills



EVENTS

Choosing a college is a really important decision, and we know you'll probably have lots of questions before applying to study a course at Newcastle College. We run events throughout the year to help give you as much information as possible about all we have to offer.

Monthly Open Events

Visit one of our Open Events and get a feel for what it's like to study with us! We'll help to find the right course for you!

What happens at an Open Event?

- Join us to see our fantastic facilities, meet staff and:
- speak to tutors about the courses you're interested in.
 - find out what support services are available to you whilst you study.
 - chat to our Student Services Team about financial support you may be eligible for.
 - see our campus for yourself.
 - get support with making an application.

Book your place

You can book your place at any of our open events by visiting ncl-coll.ac.uk/events



Open Event Dates

WED	OCT 01 5PM – 7PM	WED	NOV 05 5PM – 7PM
WED	DEC 03 5PM – 7PM	WED	JAN 07 5PM – 7PM
WED	FEB 04 5PM – 7PM	WED	MAR 04 5PM – 7PM
WED	APR 01 5PM – 7PM	WED	MAY 06 5PM – 7PM
WED	JUN 03 5PM – 7PM		

COURSES TO HELP YOU GET A JOB

EMPLOYABILITY

At Newcastle College we offer a number of courses to help you search for employment opportunities, assist you in developing a CV from scratch or update your existing one as well as how to complete an application form. We can also help prepare you for interviews. These courses are delivered at either Riverside Dene Campus at Cruddas Park and at other community venues across Newcastle. You may also benefit from completing one of our Digital Skills course to help you with online applications and to assist you in your new job.

See the Adult Skills for Work section on pages 11-12 to find out more information about the courses.



SECTOR WORK ACADEMY PROGRAMMES (SWAPS)

SWAPs help prepare those receiving unemployment benefits to apply for jobs in a different area of work. A Sector-Based Work Academy can last up to six weeks and has three main components:

- Pre-employment training – matched to the needs of the business sector
- Work experience placement – a great opportunity to identify talent and for you to gain knowledge and understanding of the required role
- A guaranteed job interview or help with an employer's recruitment process.

SWAPs vary throughout the year depending on job vacancies and employer needs. Current SWAPs available include:

NHS Academy: A five week course working towards an interview for the role of Healthcare Assistant at Newcastle RVI Hospital. Applicants will need to hold a Level 1 in maths and English GCSE/Functional skills, and employment experience in a supportive role.

Bluebird Care: A six week course working towards an interview with City and County Healthcare Group, for various roles within the care sector, supporting those with a range of disabilities to retain their independence in the home setting of their choice.

For more information on the SWAPs please email zoe.nonas@ncl-coll.ac.uk

FREE COURSES FOR JOBS

Newcastle College offers a number of free full-time Level 3 courses to those aged 19+ who live in England. Choose from the following areas:

- Automotive
- Business and Accountancy
- Early Years
- Engineering
- Energy
- Fabrication and Welding
- Health and Social Care
- Hospitality
- Policing and Uniformed Public Services
- Rail and Civil Engineering
- Science
- Subsea and Renewables
- Wind Turbine

Search Free Courses for Jobs on our website to find out more information and apply.





For being just a 12-week course, we got such an incredible range of experiences, including three or four theatre visits, as well as the opportunity to work on the set-up for Beyonce's gig at the Stadium of Light, which was amazing.

NICOLA CUTTER

Skills Bootcamp in Technical Skills for Live Events (Stagehand): Level 3

SKILLS BOOTCAMPS

Skills Bootcamps are part of the Government's Lifetime Skills Guarantee, helping everyone gain skills for life. Skills Bootcamps are free to anyone aged 19+ years and are flexible courses of up to 16 weeks, giving people the opportunity to build up sector-specific skills and an offer of an interview with an employer upon completion.



Free courses listed under Cat A are subject to eligibility criteria. Please see page 3 for full details.

COURSES AVAILABLE

COURSE TITLE	COURSE OVERVIEW	START DATE	DURATION	DELIVERY	FEE
ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION					
Art and Design Access to Higher Education - Level 3	Calling all creatives! If you've got a passion for all design specialisms and the creative arts, this Art and Design Access to HE course will be your next step to a colourful career.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,928 Adult Learner Loan £3,928*
Business Access to Higher Education - Level 3	This diverse course is ideal for anyone who has an interest in business and wants to take their studies in this exciting area further. If you have a strategic mind, this is the course for you.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,022 Adult Learner Loan £3,022*
Engineering Science Access to Higher Education - Level 3	Love Science? Are you logistically minded, have a passion for Engineering, Physics and Maths and see a career in science? This course will build your skills to make the next step or progress to a degree programme.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,928 Adult Learner Loan £3,928*
Environmental Science and Green Energy Access to Higher Education - Level 3	Have you got a statistical mind and a passion for the environment? Do you see yourself working in science and finding out how our world works? If you want to know more about our environment then this course is for you.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
Humanities with Law Access to Higher Education - Level 3	If you're interested in starting a career in Law, History, Literature or Social Sciences, this course will help you to progress to degree level study.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,022 Adult Learner Loan £3,022*
Nursing and Midwifery Access to Higher Education - Level 3	If you have a passion for health and care but need the right qualifications to progress, this course is for you.	Starts available in September or January	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus or Distance Learning	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
Psychology Access to Higher Education - Level 3	Psychology is one of the UK's fastest-growing subjects at degree level, and this Access to HE course will provide you with the skills and knowledge needed to study a psychology related degree.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
Science Biochemical (Pharmacy) Access to Higher Education - Level 3	If you're looking to start a career in biochemical science or want to gain entry to a degree programme, this Access to HE course can help get you there.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
Photography, Media and Digital Design Access to Higher Education - Level 3	This hands-on and practical design course offers superb opportunities to experiment with a wide range of digital techniques, developing your individuality and confidence in a range of areas including Photography, Media and Illustration.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,928 Adult Learner Loan £3,928*

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#Only applicable if you're aged 19-23 years and planning to study towards your first full Level 2 or first full Level 3.



Free courses listed under Cat A are subject to eligibility criteria. Please see page 3 for full details.

COURSE TITLE	COURSE OVERVIEW	START DATE	DURATION	DELIVERY	FEE
ADULT SKILLS FOR WORK					
Digital Skills for Everyday Life - Entry Level	Study this course and develop practical digital skills to complete everyday online tasks such as using social media, online banking, paying bills, shopping or keeping in touch with friends and family online.	Monthly starts available	6 hours per week for 2 weeks or 3 hours per week for 4 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Free to residents of Newcastle, North Tyneside or Northumberland Cat C £150
Exploring Occupational Studies for the Workplace - Entry Level	Develop your knowledge and improve your confidence and skills using computers with this short entry level IT course.	Monthly starts available	5 hours per week for 3 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £72 Cat C £144
IT for Beginners - Entry Level	This course is ideal for anyone who has little to no experience using a PC and will introduce learners to basics such as logging onto a PC, accessing the internet and sending emails.	Monthly starts available	3 hours per week for 4 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £150 Cat C £150
Essential Digital Skills - Entry Level	Study this course and develop the digital skills needed to use digital devices and the internet and apply this knowledge in common situations.	Monthly starts available	5 hours per week for 7 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Free to anyone without a Level 2 ICT qualification or for those without digital skills
Essential Digital Skills - Level 1	This course will enable you to develop your digital knowledge and skills to use in your personal lives, or to support you in your career.	Starts available every two months	5 hours per week for 6 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Free to anyone without a Level 2 ICT qualification or for those without digital skills
Employability Skills - Entry Level Award	Getting into the world of work can be daunting, but with this short course you will develop the skills required for work.	Multiple starts available throughout year	20 hours per week over 1 or 2 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £108 Cat C £216
Employability Skills - Entry Level Certificate	From deciding on the right job, to completing an application and getting ready for your interview. This course is ideal for anyone looking to get into work.	Starts November 2025	3 hours per week for 17 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £270 Cat C £540
Employability Skills - Level 1 Award	This qualification is suitable for anyone aged 19+ and unemployed. It will help you gain the necessary skills to look for and gain employment.	Monthly starts available	20 hours per week for 1 week	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £270 Cat C £540
Volunteering - Level 1	If you're interested in gaining work experience or looking to become a volunteer in your spare time, this volunteering course is ideal for you.	Starts September 2025	12 hours per week for 1 week or 6 hours per week for 2 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £72 Cat C £144

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COURSE TITLE	COURSE OVERVIEW	START DATE	DURATION	DELIVERY	FEE
Gateway - Entry 3 Living and Working in the UK	The course will develop understanding of aspects of British society. It will also help to develop the knowledge and understanding of those who are relatively new to the UK and may also be learning English as an additional language. The course will improve understanding of core aspects of British society whilst also developing IT skills.	Starts available in October	3 hours per week for 10 weeks (choice of morning or afternoon classes available.)	Daytime At Riverside Dene Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £180 Cat C £360
Gateway - Level 2 Certificate in Digital and IT Skills	This course is essential for anyone looking to thrive in today's digital world. You'll gain key skills in Word, Excel, and PowerPoint, while exploring the importance of digital literacy in the modern workplace and how shifting employment trends have increased demand for digitally skilled professionals.	Starts available in September and January	5 hours per week for 14 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £720 Cat C £1728
Level 2 Certificate in the Principles of Warehousing and Storage	This course is ideal if you want to enter and/or progress from entry roles in the warehousing and storage industries. This course covers how to receive and store goods, how to process orders and prepare them for dispatch, how to check stock and update records and how to provide good customer service.	Starts January 2026	18 hours per week (over 3 days) for 3 weeks.	Daytime At Riverside Dene Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £303 Cat C £727
ART AND DESIGN					
Beginners Ceramics	If you would like to start learning the art of ceramics, this short beginners course is for you. You will be introduced to hand building techniques and processes alongside experiencing throwing on the wheel to create unique clay pieces to take away.	Starts available in September. This course runs 3-4 times a year.	3 hours per week	Evening On Campus	Cat C £175
Ceramics Practitioner	Ceramics Practitioner is a 6-week course where you'll explore throwing, hand-building, glazing, designing, and making ceramics. You'll research artists, plan and evaluate your work, and follow a full creative process to produce your own ceramic piece.	Starts available in September, December and March	5 hours per week for 6 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat C £350
Art and Design Access to Higher Education - Level 3	Calling all creatives! If you've got a passion for all design specialisms and the creative arts, this course will be your next step to a colourful career.	Starts available in September	12.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,928 Adult Learner Loan £3,928*
NCFE Creative Craft (Ceramics) - Level 3	For those with NCFE Level 2 Ceramics or relevant experience, this course will further your skills and perfect your practice. You'll research, plan, cost, test, refine, make, exhibit, and evaluate your work, gaining real-world insight into the full ceramic design and production process.	Starts available in September	6 hours per week for 32 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat C £941 Adult Learner Loan £941
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#Only applicable if you're aged 19-23 years and planning to study towards your first full Level 2 or first full Level 3.					

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COURSE TITLE	COURSE OVERVIEW	START DATE	DURATION	DELIVERY	FEE
AUTOMOTIVE					
Diploma in Accident Repair Body – Level 1	For anyone interested in starting or developing a career in the motor industry in areas such as a specialist repair or specialist finisher in a car bodywork workshop. You don't need any previous experience or a current work placement. You might be a young learner or an adult. These qualifications encompass theoretical knowledge and the development of practical skills to work on routine tasks under minimal supervision.	Starts available in September	9 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime on Campus	Cat A Free, Cat B £1,125, Cat C £3,600
Diploma in Vehicle Repair Paint Principles – Level 2	For anyone developing a career in the motor industry. This practical qualification demonstrates candidates' skills on the job and in their own workplace showing that they meet national standards for automotive workers in paint refinishing.	Starts available in September	9 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime on Campus	Cat A Free, Cat B £1,650, Cat C £5,280
Diploma in Vehicle Maintenance – Level 1	This is both a hands on and theory-based course for anyone wanting to develop skills and understanding in motor vehicle systems. Successful candidates will have the basic skills needed to apply for an automotive apprenticeship or similar engineering pathway. These qualifications could also be used as an 'interest' course for a wide range of learners.	Starts available in September	9 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime on Campus	Cat A Free, Cat B £969, Cat C £3,100
Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Principles – Level 2	This qualification allows learners to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment and/or career progression in the automotive industry. The qualification is aimed at learners aged 16+ and adults who would like to develop practical skills and understanding in motor vehicle systems. Successful learners will have acquired the key skills and understanding to apply for an automotive apprenticeship. These qualifications could also be used as an 'interest' course for a wide range of learners.	Starts available in September	9 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime on Campus	Cat A Free, Cat B £1,920, Cat C £6,144

Free courses listed under Cat A are subject to eligibility criteria. Please see page 3 for full details.

COURSE TITLE	COURSE OVERVIEW	START DATE	DURATION	DELIVERY	FEE
BUSINESS					
Business Access to Higher Education - Level 3	Do you want to know more about strategy building, performance management and finance or gain access to a degree programme? If you want to get into business, this course is for you.	Starts available in September	12 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,022 Adult Learner Loan £3,022*
CIPD Foundation Certificate in People Practice - Level 3	Are you passionate about people and making the workplace a great place to be? Study this course in People Practice at a CIPD Approved Centre and add real value to your workplace and the teams within it.	Starts available in September and January	4.5 hours per week for 27 weeks	Evening On Campus	Cat C £1,275
CIPD Associate Diploma in People Management - Level 5	This is an approved CIPD course suitable for those already working in a HR role or those wishing to progress into HR roles. This course is also the perfect stepping stone to a senior role developing others.	Starts available in September and January	5.5 hours per week for 35 weeks	Evening On Campus	Cat C £1,750 Adult Learner Loan is available for up to £724 of the full fee
COMPUTING					
Digital Skills for Everyday Life - Entry Level	This course is ideal for anyone struggling to keep up with the latest technology or who find themselves asking children and grandchildren for help with everyday online tasks such as using social media to keep in touch with friends and family, online banking or paying bills or booking tickets online.	Monthly starts available	6 hours per week for 2 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Free to residents of Newcastle, North Tyneside or Northumberland.
Exploring Occupational Studies for the Workplace - Entry Level	Develop your knowledge and improve your confidence and skills using computers with this short entry level IT course.	Monthly starts available	5 hours per week for 3 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £72 Cat C £144
Essential Digital Skills - Entry Level	Develop the digital skills to use digital devices and the internet and apply this knowledge in common situations with this entry level course.	Monthly starts available	5 hours per week for 7 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Free to anyone without a Level 2 ICT qualification or for those without digital skills
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#Only applicable if you're aged 19-23 years and planning to study towards your first full Level 2 or first full Level 3.					
Essential Digital Skills - Level 1	This qualification will enable you to develop your digital knowledge and skills to use in your personal lives, or to support you in your career.	Starts available every two months	5 hours per week for 6 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Free to anyone without a Level 2 ICT qualification or for those without digital skills

Free courses listed under Cat A are subject to eligibility criteria. Please see page 3 for full details.

COURSE TITLE	COURSE OVERVIEW	START DATE	DURATION	DELIVERY	FEE
Certificate in Digital and IT Skills - Level 2	Study this course and you will develop word processing, Excel and PowerPoint skills alongside our new unit providing an understanding of the importance of digital skills in the workplace and how changes in employment have led to an increase in demand.	Starts available in September, January and May	5 hours per week for 14 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £720 Cat C £1,728
Web Applications Development - Level 5	Fast-track your way to a career in web development with this intensive online course that has been designed to help you gain the skills the industry needs now.	Starts available in September and February	15 hours per week for 35 weeks	Online self-study	Cat C £5,421 Adult Learner Loan £5,421
IT for Beginners - Entry Level	This course is ideal for anyone who has little to no experience using a PC and will introduce learners to basics such as logging onto a PC, accessing the internet and sending emails.	Monthly starts available	3 hours per week for 4 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £150 Cat C £150
DIGITAL ARTS					
Photography, Media and Digital Design Access to Higher Education - Level 3	This hands-on and practical design course offers superb opportunities to experiment with a wide range of digital techniques, developing your individuality and confidence in a range of areas including Photography, Media and Illustration.	Starts available in September	12 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,928 Adult Learner Loan £3,928*
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#Only applicable if you're aged 19-23 years and planning to study towards your first full Level 2 or first full Level 3.					



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EARLY YEARS AND TEACHER EDUCATION					
Supporting Teaching and Learning - Level 2	This course will help you take your first steps towards a career as a teaching assistant.	Starts available in September	4 hours per week for 35 weeks (plus 1 day per week work experience)	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £675 Cat C £1,620
Extended Technical Occupational Entry for the Early Years Practitioner	This part-time intensive Level 2 Early Years Practitioner course is designed to help adults begin a career in childcare and early years education.	Starts available in September	4 hours per week for 35 weeks (and 2 days per week work experience)	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £879 Cat C £2,110
Supporting Teaching and Learning - Level 3	This course will help prepare you for employment as a teaching assistant and could also help you progress towards a higher-level teaching assistant (HLTA) qualification.	Starts available in September	4 hours per week for 35 weeks (and 1 day per week work experience)	Daytime On Campus	Cat C £2,225 Adult Learner Loan £2,225 Eligible for Free Level 3 Courses for Jobs
NCFE CACHE Technical Occupational Entry for the Early Years Educator	This Early Years Educator course is perfect if you are passionate about education and would love to work with young children and infants. This qualifies students for a Licence to Practice in Childcare.	Starts available in September	8 hours per week for 35 weeks (and 2 days per week work experience)	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £4,670 Adult Learner Loan £4,670 This course is eligible for Free Course for Jobs
Training, Assessment, Quality Assurance - Level 3	This TAQA course is perfect if you have a strong vocational subject knowledge and want to become an assessor, this may be student or employee focused.	Starts available in September	3 hours per week for 4 weeks	Evening On Campus	Cat C £811
Training, Assessment, Quality Assurance - Level 4	If you are currently working as a qualified assessor but want to move into verifying, this TAQA course will get you there.	Starts available in September	3 hours per week for 4 weeks	Evening On Campus	Cat C £811
Award in Education and Training	This course is a great introduction to teaching, ideal if you are looking to find out more about the sector before undertaking further teaching qualifications.	Starts available in September.	4 hours per week for 12 weeks	Evening On Campus	Cat C £495 Eligible for Free Level 3 Courses for Jobs
Certificate in Teaching to Speakers of Other Languages (CELTA)	Do you want to live and work abroad teaching English? Or do you want to teach English to adult refugees in the UK? You can qualify as a TEFL teacher with this course.	Starts available in October	7 hours per week for 21 weeks	Daytime and Evening On Campus	Cat C £1,300 Adult Learner Loan is available for up to £811 of the full fee

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ENGLISH AND MATHS					
English Functional Skills - Entry to Level 2	If you want to gain a qualification in English, this Functional Skills qualification will help you to gain confidence and develop the skills you need.	Starts available in September, November and January	3 hours per week for 10-30 weeks	Daytime or Evening On Campus	Free to those who haven't already achieved a GCSE at grade 4/C or above in English
Maths Functional Skills - Entry to Level 2	With this course you will learn how to apply mathematical thinking to solve simple problems in familiar situations and after you've completed the course you will be able to demonstrate core maths skills.	Starts available in September, November and January	3 hours per week for 10-30 weeks	Daytime or Evening On Campus	Free to those who haven't already achieved a GCSE at grade 4/C or above in maths
GCSE English Language	People return to study English for a number of reasons, whether you want to elevate your employability opportunities, get the skills to help your kids with their homework or just want to take on a new challenge. This course will get you to where you want to be.	Starts available in September and November	3 hours per week for 30 weeks	Daytime or Evening On Campus	Free to those who haven't already achieved a GCSE at grade 4/C or above in English
GCSE Mathematics	You may want to elevate your employability opportunities, get the skills to help your kids with their homework or just want to take on a new challenge. Whatever your reason, this course will help you achieve your goals.	Starts available in September and November	3 hours per week for 30 weeks	Daytime or Evening On Campus	Free to those who haven't already achieved a GCSE at grade 4/C or above in maths



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HAIR, BEAUTY AND MAKE-UP					
Hairdressing Diploma - Level 3	Balayage, beach waves, bobs and bangs. Do you dream of a career in hairdressing? This part-time hairdressing course could be perfect for you!	Starts available in September	7 hours per week for 34 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £3,345 Adult Learner Loan £3,345
Beauty Therapy - Level 2	This course will help you to succeed in the beauty industry through learning skincare, manicure and pedicure treatments, eyelash and brow treatments and make-up techniques.	Starts available in September	6 hours per week for 33 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £1,377 Cat C £3,305
Beauty Therapy - Level 3	Are you passionate about self-care and helping others feel their best? This part-time Beauty Therapy course will help you to achieve your dreams of becoming a beauty therapist.	Starts available in September	7.5 hours per week for 34 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £2,583 Adult Learner Loan £2,583
Make-Up - Level 2	Do you love to create striking looks and experiment with the latest make-up trends and products? This part-time Make-Up course can help you launch your career as a make-up artist.	Starts available in September	4 hours per week for 25 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £525 Cat C £1,260
Media Make-Up - Level 3	Prosthetics, photographic make-up, media hair design, body art and more. Learn everything you need to become professional make-up artist with this course.	Starts available in September	7.5 hours per week for 34 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £2,583 Adult Learner Loan £2,583



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HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE					
Health and Care					
Diploma in Health and Care - Level 2	Are you interested in supporting individuals with their physical and emotional care? Learn about dementia awareness, mental health and wellbeing and how to support people with their daily living needs. Learners must be willing to undertake work experience.	Starts available in September and February	15 hours per week for 20 weeks or 7 hours per week for 42 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £921 Cat C £2,579
Understanding the Principles of Dementia Care with TEC (Technology Enabled Care)- Level 3	Learners will develop the key knowledge of dementia and an understanding of caring for individuals with dementia, types of dementia, the importance of early diagnosis and person-centred approaches in dementia care.	Starts available in September and March	10 hours per week for 12 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £811 Adult Learner Loan £811 Eligible for Free Level 3 Courses for Jobs
Diploma in Adult Care - Level 3	This course will prepare you to work in a range of clinical healthcare support settings and in adult care environments. You must have evidence of achieving your Level 2 Diploma in Care and be willing to engage in a sector work placement, either paid or voluntary.	Starts available in September and February	15 hours per week for 20 weeks or 7 hours per week for 42 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat C £2,882 Adult Learner Loan £2,882 Eligible for Free Level 3 Courses for Jobs
Nursing and Midwifery Access to Higher Education - Level 3	If you have a passion for health and care but need the right qualifications to progress, this Nursing and Midwifery Access to HE course is for you.	Starts available in September and January	12 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus or Distance Learning Flexible options available	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
Certificate in Understanding Autism - Level 3	You will develop in-depth knowledge and understanding of autism, how to support individuals with autism in social and academic settings, therapeutic interventions and current legislative frameworks. You will also consider how approaches have changed over time.	Starts available in September and March	10 hours per week for 17 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £811

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Counselling and Mental Health					
Counselling Skills - Level 2	Are you caring and compassionate and want to help others? This short course will introduce you to the use of counselling skills in everyday life and work.	Starts available in September, January and May	10 hours per week for 6 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £360 Cat C £1,008
Understanding Mental Health - Level 3	This course provides learners with core knowledge and understanding of mental health legislation, services and public attitudes and how these have evolved to current practice.	Starts available in September and March	10 hours per week for 15 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £811 Adult Learner Loan £811 Eligible for Free Level 3 Courses for Jobs
Diploma in Counselling Skills - Level 3	This course is perfect if you want to study counselling or develop your skills in a career where counselling skills are used. You must have either evidence of having achieved a Level 2 Counselling Skills qualification or evidence of experience in a supportive sector as well as evidence of previous Level 3 or above study.	Starts available in September and February	10 hours per week for 17 weeks	Daytime and Evening options available. On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £2,225 Adult Learner Loan £2,225 Eligible for Free Level 3 Courses for Jobs

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The course is so interesting and I'm really enjoying meeting people from different backgrounds that I might not have met otherwise. It's enabled me to gain a different outlook. Because of the nature of the course, we're all very open with each other which is a great way to be – it helps you to understand people better.

The tutors are all so knowledgeable and helpful, in fact everyone I've come across has been like that and I feel like everyone will help find a solution to any problem you might have.

ANGIE CARR
Level 3 Counselling Skills



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Distance Learning					
Principles of End of Life Care - Level 2	During this course you'll learn how to provide high-quality end of life care to people and their loved ones. This qualification is intended for those who work in the health and social care sector whose role includes caring for those who have a life-limiting illness.	Termly starts throughout the year	12 weeks from start date	Distance Learning - one online lecture per unit and access to personal online tutor	Free to anyone eligible for adult learner funding
Understanding Behaviour that Challenges - Level 2	Learners will develop an in-depth knowledge of behaviour that challenges, types, causes and support strategies to safeguard individuals and promote positive behaviour. The course can be used as CPD for those progressing in the health and social care sector, or in education settings.	Termly starts throughout the year	12 weeks from start date	Distance Learning - one online lecture per unit and access to personal online tutor	Free to anyone eligible for adult learner funding
Understanding Children and Young People's Mental Health - Level 2	An online course designed for people who work with children and young people or for those who have an interest in learning how to support them.	Termly starts throughout the year	12 weeks from start date	Distance Learning - one online lecture per unit and access to personal online tutor	Free to anyone eligible for adult learner funding
Awareness of Mental Health Problems - Level 2	Learners will look at the scale and context of mental ill-health in the UK, before looking in greater depth at 12 specific mental health conditions, diagnostic criteria, and treatment options.	Termly starts throughout the year	12 weeks from start date	Distance Learning - one online lecture per unit and access to personal online tutor	Free to anyone eligible for adult learner funding
Understanding the Safe Handling of Medication in Health and Social Care - Level 2	This qualification aims to help learners develop a general understanding of different types of medication and the procedures for obtaining, storing, administering and disposing of medication. You will develop an understanding of legislation and the audit process related to medication and issues of responsibility and accountability as well as an understanding of the record-keeping process for medication.	Termly starts throughout the year	12 weeks from start date	Distance Learning - one online lecture per unit and access to personal online tutor	Free to anyone eligible for adult learner funding
NCFE Certificate in Understanding Autism - Level 2	This qualification aims to develop learners' understanding of autism and the principles of support including the person-centred approach, how to support positive behaviour, communication strategies and how autistic individuals can be supported to live healthy and fulfilled lives.	Termly starts throughout the year	12 weeks from start date	Distance Learning - one online lecture per unit and access to personal online tutor	Cat A Free Cat B £99 Cat C £225
NCFE CACHE Certificate in understanding Mental Health First Aid and Mental Health Advocacy in the Workplace – Level 2	The purpose of this qualification is to give learners the skills to support colleagues with Mental Health Problems. These skills will be gained by increasing the learner's knowledge and understanding of Mental Health Conditions and the Principles of Mental Health First Aid and how this can be implemented in the workplace.	Termly starts throughout the year	12 weeks from start date	Distance Learning - one online lecture per unit and access to personal online tutor	Cat A Free Cat B £99 Cat C £225

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NVQ Diploma in Advice and Guidance – L4	This qualification is for those working in all advice and guidance settings. Learners may progress into support work or specialist areas such as counselling, mediation, careers guidance, community development and financial advice.	Starts September 2025	5 hrs a week for 35 weeks	Lecturers, online guidance and tutorials – flexible delivery around existing employment.	Advanced learner loan - £2,225.00
Diploma in Leadership and Management for Adult Care – L5	This qualification is designed to support the development of registered managers of adult social care services. This will include managing and improving care and support for those accessing the service, supporting and developing the workforce, and driving the vision for their service or organisation.	Starts September 2025	6 hrs a week for 35 weeks	Lecturers, online guidance and tutorials – flexible delivery around existing employment.	Advanced learner loan - £4,670.00
HOSPITALITY AND CATERING					
Food Production and Cooking – Level 2	Do you dream of being a chef? This part-time course will have you 'cooking on gas' towards a career in the catering and hospitality sector. You will develop key transferable skills aligned to industry standards and expectations. You will also access state-of-the-art kitchens fully equipped with sector-specific equipment whilst developing core soft skills.	Starts available in September	6.5 hours per week for 34 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat B £945 Cat C £2,646
Professional Cookery – Level 3	This course could help you land your dream role in the kitchen. You will gain an understanding of complex preparation and cooking methods and current techniques used within the industry. Utilising and accessing our state-of-the-art kitchens, you will gain a better understanding of seasonality, sustainability and financial implications.	Starts available in September	6.5 hours per week for 34 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free Cat C £3,345 Adult Learner Loan £3,345 Eligible for Free Level 3 Courses for Jobs
Food Safety for Catering – Level 2	Develop your understanding of food safety within hospitality and catering to a basic level with this food safety course.	Starts available in November, January, March and May	7 hours per week for 1 week	Daytime On Campus	Cat C £95
Food Allergen Awareness and Control in Catering – Level 2	In line with industry requirements, you will learn how to keep all customers safe when preparing, cooking and serving different food types, based around the 14 most common allergens and Natasha's Law.	Starts available in November, January, March and May	5.5 hours per week for 1 week	Daytime On Campus	Cat C £75

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SCIENCE					
Engineering Science Access to Higher Education – Level 3	Love Science? Are you logistically minded, have a passion for physics and chemistry and see a career in science? This course will build your skills to take the next step or progress to a degree programme.	Starts available in September	13 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,928 Adult Learner Loan £3,928*
Psychology Access to Higher Education – Level 3	Learn everything from biological and developmental psychology to cognitive and social psychology as well as how to put these psychological principles into practice with the Psychology Access to Higher Education course.	Starts available in September	13 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
Science (Biochemical) Access to Higher Education – Level 3	Looking to start a career in biochemical science or want to gain entry to a degree programme? This Science Access to HE course can help get you there.	Starts available in September	13 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
Environmental Science Access to Higher Education – Level 3	Do you see yourself working in science and finding out how our world works? If you want to know more about our environment then the Environmental Science Access to HE course is for you.	Starts available in September	13 hours per week for 35 weeks	Daytime On Campus	Cat A Free# Cat C £3,384 Adult Learner Loan £3,384*
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A COURSE FOR ALL

As well as a full range of adult courses we also offer further education courses for 16-18 year olds, apprenticeships, degrees and postgraduate courses so we really do have something for everyone.

16-18 COURSES

These vocational courses are aimed at school leavers and focus on hands-on learning in practical environments. They're designed to help learners gain the right skills and experience to be able to progress onto their next step, whether that is an apprenticeship, higher education or employment. We offer courses in a wide range of areas from art and design to childcare, engineering to music. We're always keen to hear from those who could provide work experience opportunities to our 16-18 learners. If you or someone you know could support and offer a work experience opportunity, please email enquiries@ncl-coll.ac.uk detailing your company name and details of the support you could provide.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Learners can choose from more than 30 apprenticeship routes including business, construction, hospitality and more and earn a real wage and a real qualification. They split their time between work and Newcastle College, combining learning, earning and experience to gain all of the skills they need to succeed in their career.

DEGREES

We offer a wide range of degrees across a number of subject areas at Newcastle College University Centre from business to computing, health to sport. We pride ourselves on delivering high-quality practical education, enabling students to develop the professional skills demanded by industry. Our University Centre offers a real alternative to university where students can study university-level degree courses that are designed in collaboration with employers. Students are taught in smaller class sizes by industry-experienced tutors in specialist teaching facilities and have numerous opportunities to engage with employers to develop professional skills. They also benefit from outstanding student support to help them throughout their studies.

POSTGRADUATE STUDY

As well as undergraduate degrees, we also offer postgraduate degrees in subject areas including business, health and teaching. Newcastle College University Centre has an excellent reputation for teacher training and offers both full-time and part-time courses that fully meet the requirements for Initial Teacher Training for the education of people aged 14 years and over and lead to achievement of Qualified Teacher Learning and Skills (QTLS).



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