



Connecting Classroom to Career

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Welcome to St Helens College, a place to discover who you are and what you are capable of.

It all began over 120 years ago when we very first opened our doors to our students and we have been inspiring minds and building futures ever since.

Building on our strong heritage, we are dynamic, innovative and modern, having invested millions in our STEM Centre and Town Centre Campuses, to give you the ultimate student experience.

We have produced thousands of successful students that have gone on to achieve spectacular things. This includes our inspirational Connecting Classroom to Career Ambassadors (you'll find them inside this prospectus).

So whatever your background, ambitions and interests, we have hundreds of courses to suit you and how you would like to learn. You could choose from a range of Vocational/BTEC courses or an Apprenticeship, all designed to help you achieve your dream career.

If that isn't enough, our teaching experts come with a hefty amount of industry experience, and our strong employer links enhance your learning, connecting the classroom to your career.

So what can St Helens College possibly have to offer you that no other college can?

Well, take a look inside and let us show you.

FREE COLLEGE BUS



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Kirkby Train Station
Kirkby Town Centre
Fazakerley
Knowsley Community College
St Helens College Town Centre Campus
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Woolton
Calderstones Park
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ROUTE B



LEIGH



ROUTE D

WARRINGTON

ROUTE B

Westleigh

Leigh

Lowton

Golborne

Ashton-in-Makerfield

**St Helens College
Town Centre Campus**

**St Helens College
The STEM Centre**

ROUTE D

Kingsway North

Latchford Village

Warrington Bank Quay

Sankey Bridges

Penketh

Great Sankey

Bold Heath

**St Helens College
Town Centre Campus**



FREE BUS TRAVEL

GETTING TO ST HELENS COLLEGE IS EASIER THAN EVER!

We provide a free bus pass for the whole academic year and free College buses across:

MAGHULL	KIRKBY	FAZAKERLEY
HALEWOOD	WEST DERBY	LEIGH
GOLBORNE	ASHTON -IN-MAKERFIELD	WARRINGTON



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CONNECTING CLASSROOM TO CAREER

At St Helens College, we pride ourselves on 'Connecting Classroom to Career' for all our students. We bridge the gap from classroom learning into industry, taking you one step closer to achieving your desired career.

We have produced thousands of successful students that have gone on to do spectacular things, from innovative creators and healthcare professionals to industry leaders and jet-setters.

At the heart of our campaign are nine successful alumni students that through hard work, have progressed to university, or are on the road to, or have already achieved their ultimate career.



Charlotte

After achieving D*D*D* at St Helens College, photo fanatic, Charlotte, is in search of the perfect role that will combine both her passion and talent for photography with her love for archaeology.

She has now begun her exciting new journey studying archaeology at the University of Liverpool.



Emma

Emma has her game face on after qualifying for Team GB's Age Group, Triathlon Team, which has seen her compete in the European and World Championships! She has committed herself to intensive training alongside her studies, as she marks the start of her sporting career.



Kyle

With the support from the Chef's at College, talented Chef, Kyle, now leads an exciting career at Paul Askew's exclusive fine dining restaurant, The Art School, in Liverpool. After initially securing a full-time position as a Commis Chef, Kyle has since been promoted to Chef De Partie.



COMPUTING AND IT

Matt

Matt is determined to further his career after completing his apprenticeship with an IT Technical Support Team. He has now secured a full-time position as an IT Technician, where he is currently studying his HNC in Computing alongside his role, in the hopes of taking his career to the next level.



HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Ellen

Maternity Health Care Assistant, Ellen, was recently recognised by Whiston Hospital for working extremely hard during challenging circumstances, tending to patients and ensuring their health and safety. She is now looking forward to studying Midwifery at Liverpool John Moores University.



APPLIED SCIENCE

Natalie

After achieving D*D*D* on the BTEC Extended Diploma in Applied Science, the highest result in the class, Natalie progressed on to FdSc Applied Microbiology at University Centre St Helens and is now studying a master's degree in Cellular Pathology at Manchester Metropolitan University.



PERFORMING ARTS

Alex

Alex was lucky enough to go to London and work with the prestigious Frantic Assembly on their Ignition Project. The company is one of the most respected theatre companies in the UK and they only accept 20 people per year on to the programme. Alex has now secured his place to study acting at London's Italia Conti Theatre School.



ENGINEERING

Cameron

Engineering alumnus, Cameron, used his work experience with time served engineers, along with the skills and knowledge that he developed at College, to set up his own successful engineering company at the early age of seventeen. His company specialises in heritage engineering providing a high-quality restoration service.



BEAUTY THERAPY

Niyomi

Niyomi found her passion for cosmetics whilst studying the level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy at College. She has since completed an Aesthetic Therapy qualification and Business Management (Top-up) degree at the University of Warwick, and is now a qualified Aesthetic Therapist.

WHAT'S ON CAMPUS

We have spent a lot of time and resources making sure that you have everything you need to get the most out of your experience with us.

It may not look like it from the outside, but our two campuses have everything from a fine dining restaurant and mock aircraft cabin, to a construction site and outdoor animal units. We even have our own Starbucks!

As an added bonus, we are right on the doorstep of a busy town centre, where you'll have access to lots of shops, restaurants and cafés. So we are sure you'll have plenty of things to do to keep yourself busy around your studies.

Don't believe us? See for yourself.



**MULTI-MILLION
POUND LIBRARIES**





AUTOMOTIVE HUB

Specialist Spray Booth and Fast-Fit MOT Bay



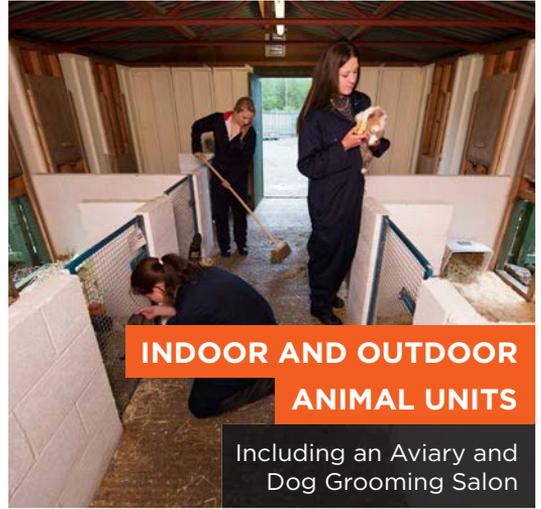
OFSTED OUTSTANDING NURSERY



FULLY-EQUIPPED GYM AND EXERCISE STUDIO



MOCK AIRCRAFT CABIN



INDOOR AND OUTDOOR ANIMAL UNITS

Including an Aviary and Dog Grooming Salon



COMMERCIAL SALON, THE LOUNGE



LIVE RECORDING SUITE AND TV STUDIOS

Including Green Screen Infinity Cove and Editing Suites



COLOUR AND MONOCHROME DARK ROOM

THE EXPERIENCE

Life at College is so much more than just studying... you'll discover new places, share amazing experiences with your friends and develop skills and interests that you thought you never had.

These are just a few things that our students have been up to recently!



Proudly Supporting Visitor Economy Week 2020



Sport: An NCS adventure at Kingswood Dearne Valley



Performing Arts: London's West End and the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art



Beauty: On-board Steiner's spa cruise liner, the Crown Princess



Healthcare Sciences Skills Show 2020



Cabin Crew: Students make a splash at wet drill and water survival training



Animal Management: Conservation projects at Trentham Monkey Forest



Catering and Hospitality: Fundraiser dinner at Anfield Stadium



Construction: Industry upcycling initiative with Bagnalls

INSPIRING SUCCESS

We are exceptionally proud of our students and all that they achieve. Here are just a few examples of some successful students.



Lucas

Classroom

Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Professional Cookery

Career

Commis Chef at The Dean

Joined us from

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School

"I've always had a flair for cooking and had my first taste of life in the industry whilst visiting St Helens College during the Young Chef Competition. Since then I've had some amazing experiences, from guest chef dinners to winning silver at the Inter Colleges Culinary Skills Competition."



Lauren

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism

Career

Camp Courier at Eurocamp, Normandy

Joined us from

St Helens College 14-16 Academy

"I achieved D*D*D* on my course! Studying Travel and Tourism was the best decision I ever made. I've had so many great opportunities, including going on my favourite trip to work with Eurocamp. I have now secured a full-time position as a Camp Courier at their Eurocamp La Vallee campsite in Normandy, France."



Amy

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Photography

University

Photography at University of Chester

Joined us from

Cansfield High School

“Thanks to the amazing support from my tutors at College, I was able to achieve D*D*D”, which secured me my place at the University of Chester to study Photography. My favourite part of the course was studying documentary photography, where I captured the reality of loneliness amongst the elderly.”



Yasmine

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator)

Career

Nursery Practitioner at Mere Grange Nursery

Joined us from

Byrchall High School

“The College has been amazing at pushing me to my full potential. I was thrilled to have achieved an overall A* grade after completing my course. With help from my supportive tutors, I am now heading straight into an exciting new position at Mere Grange Nursery, working as a Nursery Practitioner.”



Harrison

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Information Technology

University

Robotics and Artificial Intelligence at Edge Hill University

Joined us from

Saints Peter and Paul Catholic College

“I’ve gained so much experience on my course, from Microsoft Office Specialist exams to exploring web development and coding techniques. I’m excited to start my degree at Edge Hill University in September to study Robotics and Artificial Intelligence. I hope to one day become a Robotics Engineer or Programmer.”



Adam

Classroom

Level 2 Diploma in Painting and Decorating

Career

Painting and Decorating Apprentice at Bagnalls

Joined us from

Hope Academy

“From securing my apprenticeship to being crowned Senior Paperhanger of the Year and being interviewed by BBC Radio Merseyside, for their mid-morning show - the excitement hasn’t stopped since joining the Painting and Decorating course at St Helens College!”

INDUSTRY EXPERTS



Dan
Travel and Tourism

“My career has spanned multiple job roles in international airports up and down the country and has taken me all around the world. I enjoy sharing my adventures with my students.”



Jennifer
Engineering

“I’ve specialised in mechanical engineering for over 10 years. I trained in the Royal Navy as a Propulsion Engineer Officer, before becoming a Damage Control and Fire Officer.”



Mike
Animal Management

“I’ve worked in the industry for 20 years, specialising in reptiles, invertebrates and amphibians as Head Keeper at Knowsley Safari, and Bug World. I love sharing my passion for animals.”



Barbara
Catering and Hospitality

“My whole career has centred around catering and hospitality. I’ve worked for private catering companies and 4* hotel chains. I’ve even served royalty and sports professionals!”



Grant
Uniformed Services

“I fought for my country on the front line and trained officers in the Royal Navy. I instil my British values, discipline and motivation in my students every day.”



Julie
Beauty and Spa Therapies

“I began my career as a Trainee Hairdresser before working for worldwide brands, Dermalogica and Medex, and ultimately, running my own salon.”



Don't just take our word for it...

Ash Engineering

"My tutors really encouraged me to take my career to the next level. With their support I managed to secure an innovative apprenticeship, in an industry that I love!"

Ronnie Travel and Tourism

"I love learning from tutors who have years' worth of experience with some of the industry's biggest names - I know I am learning from the best!"

Kyle Hospitality

"I was able to secure employment with an exclusive fine dining restaurant in Liverpool thanks to my tutors amazing insight and industry links."

Rhea Beauty Therapy

"With the help of my supportive tutors and their industry links, I secured employment with luxury cruise liner, Steiner. "

Sophie Early Years

"My tutors were really supportive and helped me to secure a range of placements, which have prepared me for working life in the early years sector."

Nathan Computing and IT

"Although I have progressed on to an apprenticeship, the tutors still keep in touch. It feels great to have that kind of continuous support."

SUPPORTING YOU

Your happiness, success and education is all that matters to us. Online, offline, face-to-face, with friends or trained professionals, we will be there when you need us.

From helping you to prepare for employment, to providing support in the classroom, we are dedicated to helping you succeed.

Wellbeing and Safeguarding

Your wellbeing and safety at College is very important to us, which is why we have a dedicated wellbeing service for students who feel they need help or support with a range of mental health and emotional issues. Our safeguarding team ensure every student is respected and valued. We also have a 'Chaplaincy Hub', a quiet and comfortable room where you can go to rest, think, meditate or pray.

Learner Support

We are committed to inclusion and equality. We are particularly proud of the support we provide for students who are dyslexic, disabled or have another learning difficulty. We have a friendly and experienced team who can provide everything from in-class support, access to specialist equipment and adaptation of materials to a teacher of the deaf, assistance with personal care/health needs and mobility assistance.

English and Maths

No matter what career you go on to - English and maths are important. If you do not get a grade 4 at GCSE (equivalent to a grade C) - you will study English and/or maths alongside your course whilst at College. We have an experienced team who can provide excellent support and guidance, with everything from learning labs and revision sessions to online resources.

Careers Advice and Guidance

We offer free, confidential and impartial careers advice and guidance to help you understand how to progress towards your dream career. This can be anything from finding the right course, CV and personal statement support to job searching and interview techniques to help with UCAS applications.

Career Coach

Career Coach takes the stress out of planning your future and is free to use. It provides the most current local information on salaries, employment and job vacancies to help you make an informed choice about your future and the right college course for you. Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/careercoach

Foundation Academy

The Foundation Academy supports young people with a wide range of learning difficulties and/or disabilities. Students will have the opportunity to gain independent living skills, employability skills and work on their personal development. Our healthcare team provide support for students with personal needs, and our learning support officers assist students in their academic studies.

PREPARATION FOR EMPLOYMENT

We believe that you can achieve anything that you want in life, if you have the right skills, training, confidence and most importantly, support.

The Prince's Trust Team Programme and Directions are designed to help you take that next step towards your dream career.

Prince's Trust Team Programme

Improve your confidence, gain work experience and get back into education or employment with this free, 12-week personal development programme.

You will gain a nationally recognised qualification which is held in high regard by organisations.

This programme is available to anyone aged 16-30 and there are many start dates throughout the year.



Prince's Trust

Directions

Enjoy a fun taster of a course that you are interested in, improve your English and maths, gain work experience and develop your CV.

The course can last from six weeks up to one year and is designed for those aged 16-18.

There are various start dates throughout the year.





KEY INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS

We know how important it is for your son/daughter to have a smooth transition from school to college and for you to be a part of that process.

We are wholeheartedly committed to ensuring that they have access to the support they require to help them successfully achieve their qualifications and make plans for their future.

The information below will hopefully answer any questions you may have.

Personal Tutor

All of our 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. You will be able to contact them directly, should you have any questions or concerns.

We also have a range of support services available which your son/daughter will have access to whilst studying with us. See page 16 for more information.

Parent Portal

You will also have the opportunity to review your son/daughter's in year progress at any time by logging into our online tracking system, ProPortal. This system enables you to view their attendance and punctuality and also review their achievement to date for academic progress.

Termly Progress Reports

You will receive termly progress reports highlighting your son/daughter's progress, such as target grades, attendance and punctuality.

Regular Parent Events

Our first Parent Welcome Event takes place at the start of the academic year and it is a great opportunity for you to meet your son/daughter's tutors, ask questions and receive additional information about all aspects of their study programme.

We also hold regular Parents Evenings throughout the academic year, to keep you fully informed about their progress, including any target areas that will help and support them to improve.

Visit our dedicated parent section for more information:
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Parent-Carer

MONEY MATTERS

We want to make sure that you can make the most out of your college experience. So don't worry about the costs of coming to college. We have it covered.

All of our students aged 16-18 are entitled to:

01

Free course fees

You are entitled to free tuition, examination and registration fees.

02

Free breakfast*

No more rushing around in the morning – you'll get a free breakfast at College every day!

03

Free College bus

Take advantage of our free, dedicated bus service, available across four main routes.

04

Free bus pass

Receive a free bus pass for the entire academic year, which you can use every weekday during term time.

05

Free Microsoft Office 365

Usually worth over £100, you'll get the full Microsoft Office package for free!

06

Student discounts

Don't miss out on the perks of being a student – you'll have access to exclusive offers and discounts from retailers.



You may also be entitled to additional financial help including:

Free college lunch**

You may be entitled to a free lunch at any of St Helens College's catering outlets up to the value of £3.50.

Free childcare**

If you are a young parent, you are entitled to help with the cost of childcare via our Care to Learn Scheme. We even have our own registered Ofsted 'Outstanding' nursery.

Free kit and equipment**

You could be entitled to up to £1,200 per College year to help with essential equipment, uniform, trips, and DBS checks if required.

To find out if you could be entitled to additional financial support please visit:
sthelens.ac.uk/moneymaters

*Terms and conditions apply. **Terms, conditions and exclusions apply, and will depend upon your financial circumstances.

TRAVELLING TO COLLEGE

Getting to St Helens College is easier than ever! Our Town Centre and STEM Centre campuses are less than a 10-minute walk from the central bus station and train station, linking to routes across Cheshire, Merseyside, Greater Manchester and Lancashire.

By Bus

We provide a FREE Arriva bus pass for the whole academic year, which you can use every weekday during term time, including evenings. The bus pass is available to all 16-18 year old St Helens College students, on a full-time course.



Plan your bus route to St Helens College:
www.arrivabus.co.uk



By Train

St Helens Central train station is on the main line between Wigan North Western station and Liverpool Lime Street station.

WIGAN	15 MINUTES
LIVERPOOL	21 MINUTES
WARRINGTON	30 MINUTES



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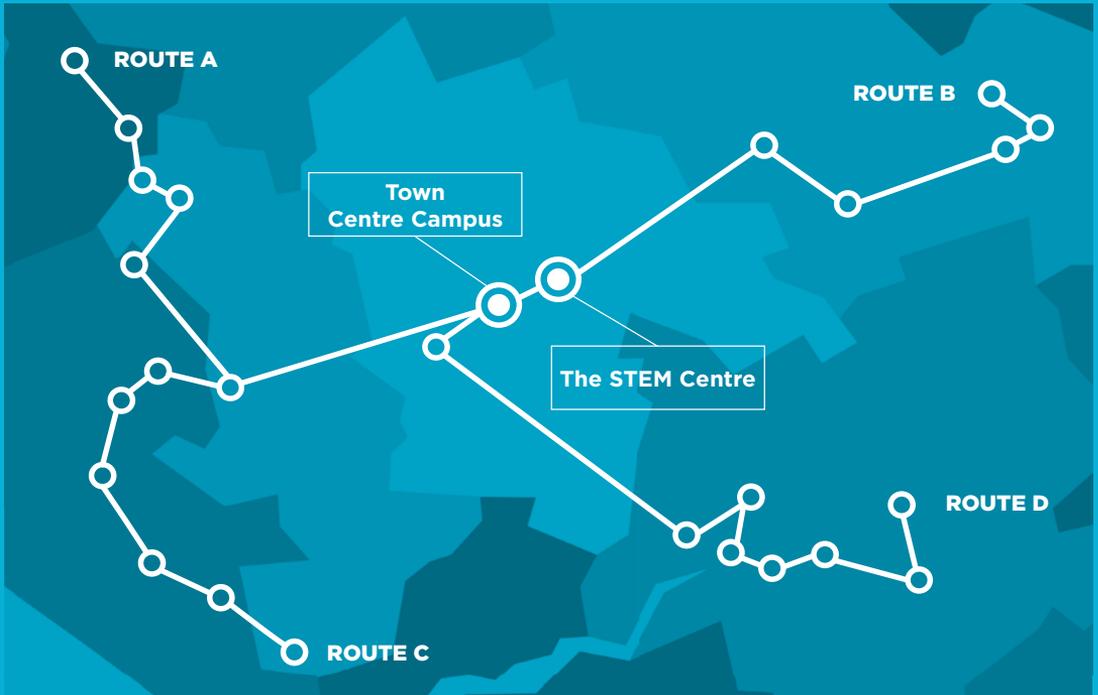
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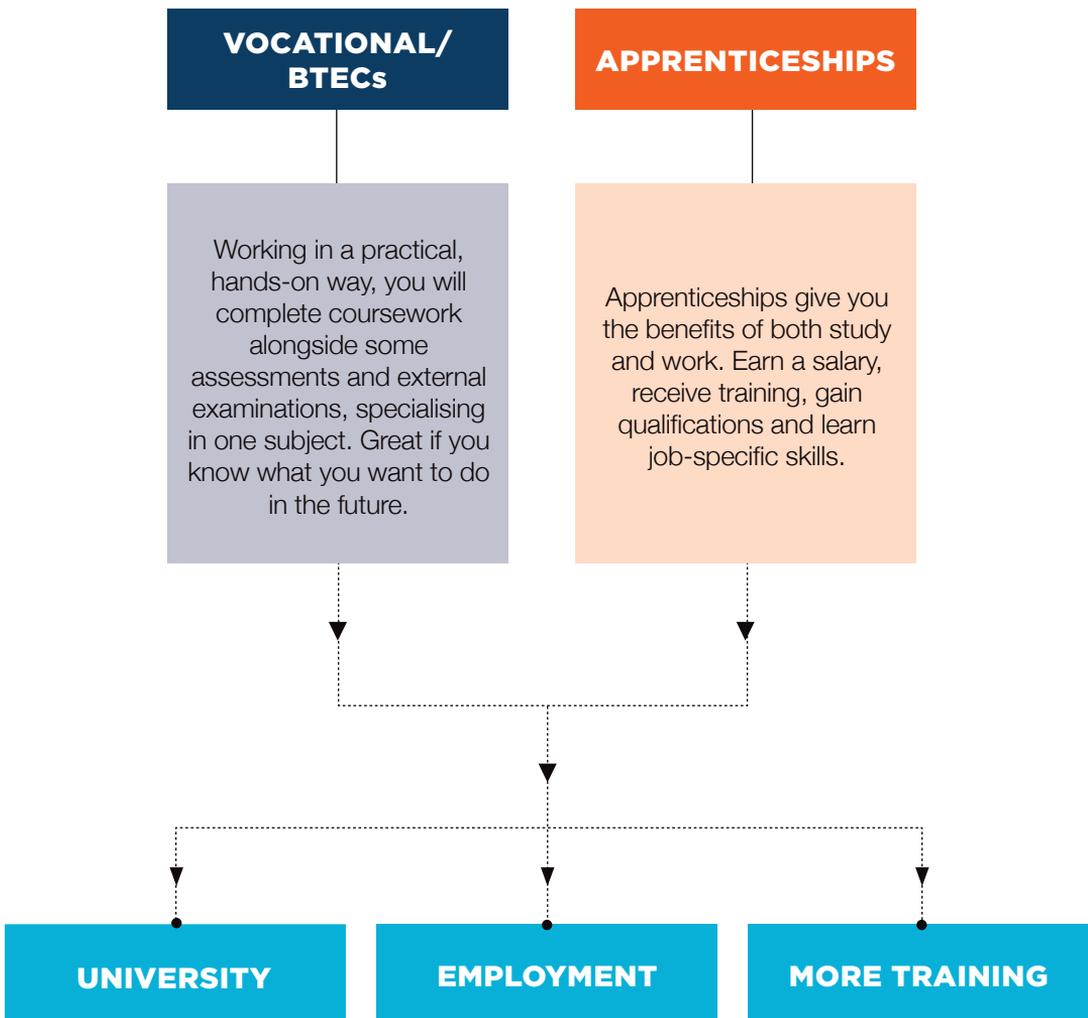
Bold Heath

**St Helens College
Town Centre Campus**

HOW DO YOU WANT TO STUDY?

There are lots of opportunities available to you when you finish your GCSEs and we know it can be difficult deciding what to do.

At St Helens College, we have options to suit all students depending on how you like to study, the kind of person you are and where you want to go in the future.



ENGLISH AND MATHS



Achieving a good standard of English and maths is a key requirement for many jobs, as well as for courses you may wish to progress on to. These skills can also mean higher earnings in the future!

If you achieve below a grade 4 in your English and maths GCSEs, you will be required to study English and maths as part of your study programme, alongside your chosen subject. But don't worry - we have a friendly and experienced team who will provide support with everything from learning labs and revision sessions to online resources.

It may even be that you already have a grade 4 or above in these subjects but wish to achieve a higher grade. We can also support you to do this too!

GROWING INDUSTRIES

As the economy of Liverpool and the wider Merseyside area grows, we ensure that our students have access to employment opportunities across innovative growth sectors in the region.

The areas identified are:

Advanced Manufacturing

Manufacturing is vital to the Liverpool City Region economy, which is home to some of the UK's largest manufacturing companies including Jaguar Land Rover and Unilever.



Creative and Digital

The region has a diverse heritage in music, film, television, theatre, literature, gaming, media and digital applications.

Low Carbon

The region has established itself as a major offshore wind energy hub and is in a strong position to capture the job growth potential from a low carbon economy.



Contributes
£3.2bn
to the overall economy



Home to
4,425
thriving
businesses

Employs over
22,000
people in
1,400
businesses



Superport

Liverpool is a recognised Superport, meaning that major shipping ports, airports, road, rail and logistics assets sit under one big hub.

Expected to create
30,000 jobs
and
generate
£18.3bn
by 2030

Health and Life Sciences

Liverpool accommodates more specialist hospitals and health centres than any other UK city outside of London. Research and innovation are central to activities locally.

Generates
£170m
per year
to the local economy

Professional and Business Services

Liverpool has been trading globally for more than 200 years and is central to national companies including Ernst and Young and Barclaycard.

Predicted increase in
20,000 jobs
over the next
20 years

Visitor Economy

This industry is exciting to work in, with many job opportunities in hotels, restaurants, bars, retail outlets, theatres, museums, travel agents and airlines.

Worth **£4.9bn**
and supports over
57,000 jobs

DISCOVER APPRENTICESHIPS



Apprenticeships are a great way to develop your skills and experience on-the-job whilst gaining a recognised qualification. One of the many benefits is, you'll get paid to do it.

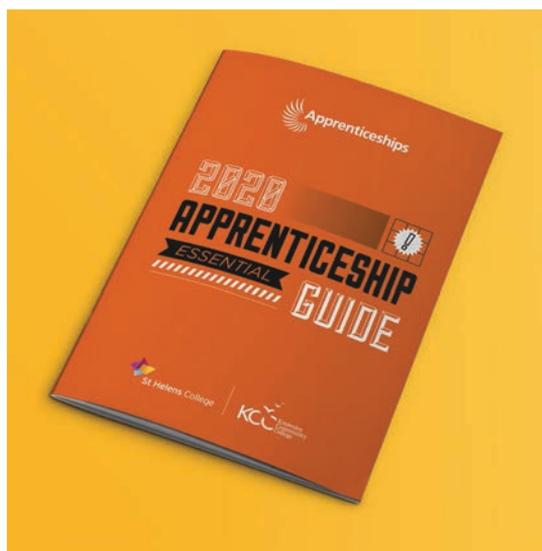
An apprenticeship is an actual job, meaning that you'll spend more time out in the workplace than in the classroom, learning and perfecting your skills. So, if you prefer to learn by doing, then an apprenticeship is a great place to start.

There are so many apprenticeships to choose from across a huge range of industries, so you will never be stuck for choice. Apprenticeships can take one to four years to complete, depending on which level you start at and the type of apprenticeship you choose. This means by the time you complete it, you'll know your job inside and out, and could have the chance to move up the career ladder.

Competition for apprenticeships is fierce, so get ahead of the competition by **downloading our essential guide!**

Learn about how you can benefit from an apprenticeship and the amazing opportunities it can lead to. Our guide includes top tips, an interview checklist, CV advice and most importantly, how to search and apply for an apprenticeship.

[www.sthelens.ac.uk/
essentialguide](http://www.sthelens.ac.uk/essentialguide)



- Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/apprenticeships for more information

APPRENTICESHIP CHOICES

Computing and Professional

Accounting | Business Administration | Computing | Human Resources Management | Customer Service

Construction

Bricklaying | Carpentry and Joinery | Electrical Installation | Painting and Decorating | Plastering | Plumbing Wall and Floor Tiling

Engineering and Motor Vehicle

Electrical Engineering | Fabrication and Welding | Mechanical Engineering | Motor Vehicle | Engineering Design (CAD) | Manufacturing Engineering

Health and Life Sciences

Dental Nursing | Early Years | Health and Social Care | Science | Laboratory Operations

Service Industries and Leisure

Beauty Therapy | Hairdressing and Barbering

APPRENTICESHIP OPEN EVENTS

Come along to an Apprenticeship Open Event to hear from industry professionals, speak to current apprentices and find out how to fire up your career with an apprenticeship!

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**INSPIRING
CIVIL SERVANT
APPRENTICE**

NATHAN

“My apprenticeship took me to Cincinnati, USA where I was able to gain impressive work experience developing software solutions. It also allowed me to learn from leading industry professionals and experience new challenges. I have since progressed on to a higher apprenticeship.”

Classroom

Level 3 IT Software and Telecoms Apprenticeship

Career

Civil Servant Apprentice at Department for Work and Pensions

Joined us from

Great Sankey High School

Read his full story at www.sthelens.ac.uk/Nathan

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN WITH US

01

Industry Choice

Apprenticeships are available with all types of employers across lots of industry sectors.

02

Largest Provider

Strong collaborations with local, regional and national employers, make us one of the largest apprenticeship providers in the area.

03

Employer Partnerships

We work with hundreds of employers across the Northwest, providing an extensive range of apprenticeship vacancies.

04

Excellent Progression

Apprenticeship progression routes can lead to full-time employment, university or further study.

05

Dedicated Support

Each apprentice has their own assessor to monitor their progress and to provide support throughout their apprenticeship.

06

Industry Experts

St Helens College tutors are experts in their fields with specialist knowledge of industry.

EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIPS

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PARENT FAQs

What is 20% off-the-job training?

It is a statutory requirement for an apprentice to spend 20% of their paid working hours 'off-the-job'. This time will be spent receiving training to gain the knowledge needed to complete their apprenticeship.

The 20% off-the-job training can be delivered flexibly, by either the College or employer, as part of each day, one day per week or as a block release. The employer and College will decide on the best model.

How can I tell if it is a good apprenticeship?

A high wage doesn't always mean that an apprenticeship is good. Look out for a role that is varied, has staff benefits, extra training opportunities as well as progression opportunities. All of the above shows the employer is looking to invest in the apprentice to develop them personally and professionally.

Financial support for apprentices?

Apprentices can benefit from various money saving schemes including:

- An NUS Apprentice Extra Card - the card costs £11 per year to set up but provides apprentices with massive discounts on high street and online retailers.
- A variety of travel discounts - apprentices aged 16-25 can apply for a railcard saving up to a third on train fares.
- A £1,000 bursary is available for care leavers aged 16-24, to help the transition into the workplace.

How much do apprentices get paid?

The current national minimum wage for an apprentice is £4.15 (as of April 2020) but this can vary depending on age and length of time on the programme. Any apprentices aged 19+, must be paid at least the National Minimum Wage rate for their age, after their first 12 months in their apprenticeship.

What apprenticeship levels are there?

There are various levels of apprenticeships that can be applied for, which are dependant on your current skills and qualifications. Apprenticeship qualifications are just as substantial as alternative study routes and can still provide entry to university, upon completion of a level 3 apprenticeship.

See the below table for an explanation of apprenticeship equivalent levels:

Type	Level	Equivalent Education Level
Intermediate Apprenticeship	2	5 GCSEs (grades A-C or 9-4)
Advanced Apprenticeship	3	2 A levels, 4 AS Levels, Level 3 Diploma/Certificate
Higher Apprenticeship	4, 5, 6 and 7	Foundation, Bachelor's or Master's Degree
Degree Apprenticeship	6 and 7	Bachelor's or Master's Degree

DISCOVER VOCATIONAL

You will have probably heard the word 'vocational' or 'BTECs' thrown around a lot, and are wondering what it all means.

Well, vocational or BTEC, refers to one or two-year courses that allow you to choose one subject, to study full-time. The best part about these courses is that they are very practical, hands-on and enable you to spend lots of time learning the skills needed to be successful in your chosen career.

They are also entirely misunderstood! Many assume that vocational courses are not as valuable as A levels but this is completely untrue. They can still give you the opportunity to go to university, complete an apprenticeship or secure employment. Some provide the same amount of UCAS Tariff Points as A levels, with Russell Group universities accepting BTECs as entry qualifications.

THE COMPLETE VOCATIONAL PACKAGE

Alongside your vocational course, you will complete valuable work experience in your chosen industry, receive one-to-one support in tutorials and participate in enrichment activities. Also, if it is required, you will study GCSE English and/or maths alongside your course.



• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/vocational for more information

LEARN

PRACTICALLY

01

Exceptional Progression

We have progression routes that lead to an apprenticeship, university or employment.

02

Enrichment Opportunities

Participate in workshops, masterclasses and activities to enhance your studies and student experience.

03

Become a Specialist

By focusing on one course, you will develop practical skills related to your career ambition.

04

Employability Skills

Develop key skills valued by employers such as communication, problem-solving, self-management and organisation.

05

Work Experience

Experience is key to securing your career. Take advantage of placements and live projects with employers in the industry.

06

Fantastic Facilities

Two multi-million-pound campuses boast realistic, commercial learning environments, with the best facilities as your classroom.



ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

If you have an interest in biological science and a passion for caring for animals, kick-start your career in this diverse and exciting industry.

Learn in our indoor and outdoor animal units, where you will work with over 50 different animal species, handling a huge variety of mammals, reptiles and other exotic creatures, maintaining their welfare and accommodation.

Many of our students have progressed on to university, have secured employment in the industry or have even launched their own successful business.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Veterinary Nurse

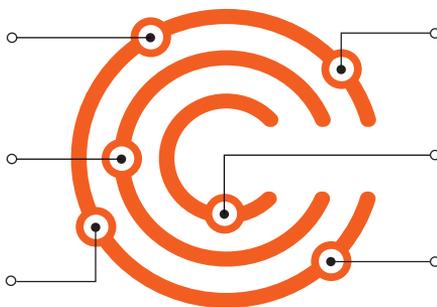
£13k - £26k+

Pet Behaviour Counsellor

£15k - £50k

Zoologist

£18k - £45k+



RSPCA Inspector

£19k - £30k

Animal Care Worker

£12k - £20k

Dog Groomer

£13k - £20k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/animal for more information



ASPIRING WILDLIFE CONSERVATIONIST

STUART

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Animal Management

University

Wildlife Conservation at University of Kent

Joined us from

Great Sankey High School

“This course is fantastic for animal enthusiasts! You get to work with a variety of aquatic, exotic and farm animals.”

“From trips to Chester Zoo to study ethograms, to visiting Knowsley Safari and Merseyside Dogs home, this course has definitely prepared me for a future in the industry.”

This is no average classroom!

From walking with wolves in the Lake District and fundraising for local animal sanctuaries to exploring animal behaviour and wildlife rehabilitation – every day is different!



Level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma

Animal Management

What will I study?

This course is designed to provide you with a wide range of specialist skills and knowledge, that will equip you for various employment opportunities within the animal care industry.

Alongside handling and maintaining the welfare of various animals, you will advance your knowledge of animal behaviour, feeding and nutrition, whilst having the opportunity to study animal nursing and training.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Animal Management.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

Alternatively, you could progress directly into employment.

Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma

Animal Management

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will gain a scientific, theoretical and managerial understanding of animal care. You will conduct an in-depth exploration of wildlife nutrition, animal health, vet nursing, handling and animal behaviour.

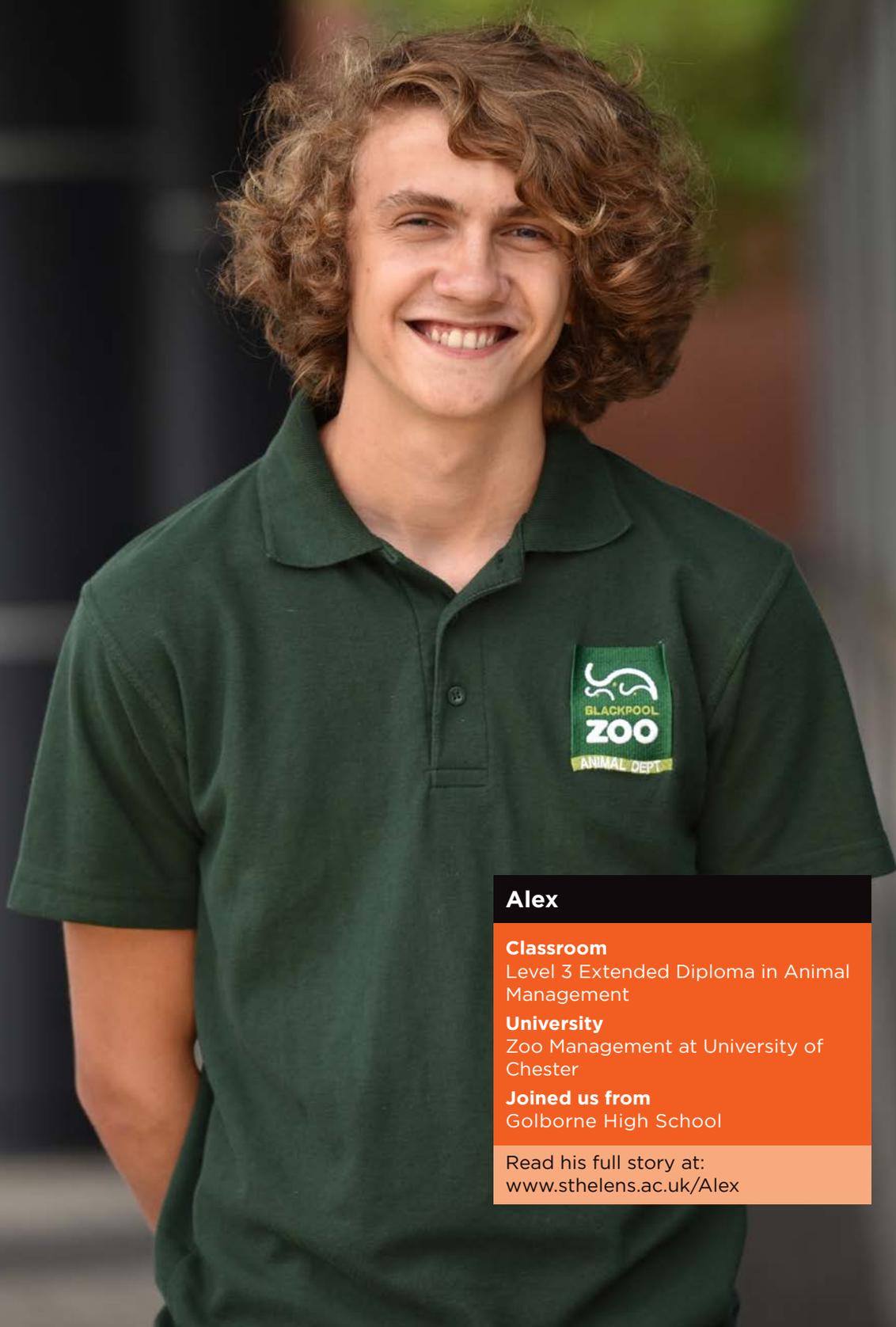
You will also have the opportunity to complete a work placement in the industry to enhance your experience and skills.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths and science, and preferably a minimum of five days voluntary experience within the animal sector.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Advanced Technical Extended Diploma in Animal Management.



Alex

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Animal Management

University

Zoo Management at University of Chester

Joined us from

Golborne High School

Read his full story at:
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Alex

Level 2 Diploma

Animal Care

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will develop your understanding of animal health and behaviours, animal biology, animal accommodation and conservation whilst gaining hands-on experience handling a wide variety of animal species.

You will also have the opportunity to complete a work placement in the industry to enhance your experience and skills.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths, and preferably a minimum of three days voluntary experience within the animal sector.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Animal Management.



Lupin the Japanese Raccoon Dog, also known as tanuki in Japanese.

Level 1 Diploma

Animal Care

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the industry. You will handle a variety of animals in our indoor and outdoor animal units, whilst completing a range of tasks such as preparing food and maintaining animal accommodation.

You will also have the opportunity to develop your CV and interview skills, whilst building your portfolio.

What will I need?

You should have three GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English, and have a passion and commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Animal Care.



Drucilla the bird-eating tarantula, originating from the Amazon rainforest.

Industry Links





ART AND DESIGN

Show off your individuality and creativity in our specialist studio spaces, where you will explore a wide range of art disciplines.

Alongside developing your own portfolio of work, you'll gain valuable insight from established artists and designers and showcase your work at an end-of-year exhibition and in local art galleries.

You will also have the opportunity to work on live briefs and projects with local and regional employers!

Connecting Classroom to Career

Interior Designer

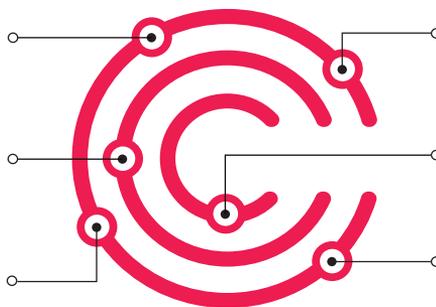
£18k - £45k+

Graphic Designer

£19k - £40k+

Architect

£21k - £50k



Illustrator

£15k - £40k+

Photographer

£16k - £44k+

Artist

£16k - £46k

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

- Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/art for more information



**ASPIRING
CLOTHING DESIGNER**

AMBER

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design

University

Textiles at University of Central Lancashire

Joined us from

Sutton Academy

“My favourite part of the course was studying 3D design and textiles, which gave me lots of creative freedom.”

“The support from my tutors has been amazing. I have developed so many new skills and techniques that will help me on my journey to becoming a children’s clothing designer.”

This is no average classroom!

You will develop your creative skills in our specialist studio spaces such as the ceramic and painting studios, digital labs and monochrome dark room!



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Art and Design Practice

What will I study?

Throughout this course, you will study various art disciplines including fine art painting, 3D, fashion, textiles, print making, photography and graphic design.

You'll build a diverse portfolio of work, exploring the work of artists and designers and their creative intentions.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 National Diploma in Art and Design Practice.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You may choose to progress on to University Centre St Helens to study a creative arts degree such as BA (Hons) Fine Art Painting or BA (Hons) Graphic Design.

Level 3 National Diploma

Art and Design Practice

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will develop your creative art skills through a range of practical and theoretical units.

These units include visual recording, exploring the work of artists and designers, developing your awareness of the ‘creative process’, and discovering materials, techniques and processes relating to your specialism.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths, and an art and design related subject.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design Practice.

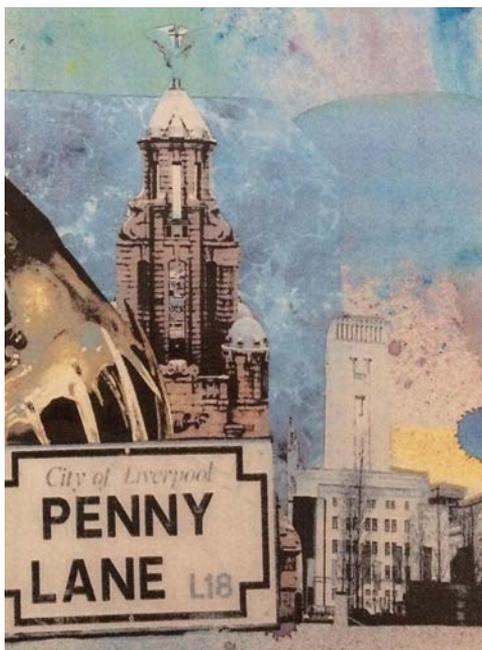
STUDENT WORK



Emma Boon - Level 3 Diploma



Teela Dutton - Level 3 Diploma



Richard Bloxham - Level 3 Diploma



Madeline Grindley - Level 3 Diploma



Level 2 Diploma

Art and Design Skills

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will explore many art disciplines such as drawing, painting, printing, digital media, photography and graphic design including working three dimensionally with materials such as wood, metal, plastic and ceramics.

Develop an extensive portfolio of work using your ideas to explore and produce art across a wide range of projects.

What will I need?

You should have one GCSE at grade 4 or above or have successfully achieved a level 1 Art and Design qualification.

Progression

You could progress on to a level 3 National Diploma in Art and Design Practice, Photography, Graphic Design or Games, Animation and VFX.

Level 1 Diploma

Art and Design

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the art and design industry. You will create an exciting portfolio of work in a number of specialist areas including painting, printmaking, drawing, 3D design, textiles, ceramics and mixed media.

You will also have the opportunity to develop your GCSE English and maths skills or functional skills, alongside your course and complete a 2D or 3D project.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 2 or above.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Art and Design Skills.

Industry Links



THEHUTGROUP®



BEAUTY, NAILS, MAKEUP AND SPA THERAPIES

The beauty industry brings together creative professionals to deliver extraordinary experiences and services to clients. From contouring and false eyelashes to spray tanning, pedicures and skincare treatments, you will practise your skills and knowledge in our very own commercial salon, The Lounge.

Showcase your skills in prestigious competitions such as WorldSkills, and use the latest brands such as Dermalogica, MAC, Young Nails and Eve Taylor, to meet the demands of the industry.

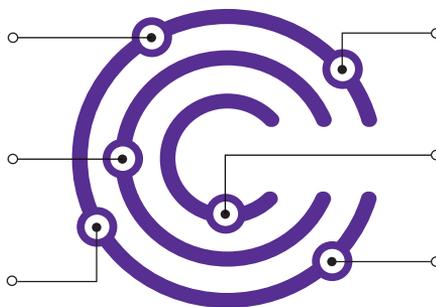
Our technical routes enable you to specialise in the career of your choice while developing key technical skills to lead you to career success. You could achieve up to a Distinction *, equivalent to A* at A level.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Skincare Specialist
£13k - £25k+

Salon Manager
£20k - £30k+

Beauty Therapist
£13k - £25k+



Makeup Artist (TV, Film, Theatre)
£13k - £30k+

Nail Technician
£13k - £25k+

Massage Therapist
£15k - £30k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/beauty for more information



**ASPIRING
SALON OWNER
SOPHIE**

Classroom

Level 2 Diploma in Beauty Therapy

Career

Aspiring Salon Owner

Joined us from

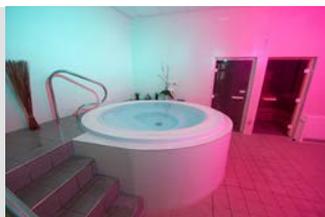
Rainford High School

“Learning about a variety of beauty treatments and taking part in a work placement, has given me the confidence to secure a part-time position in a local salon.”

“I am looking forward to progressing on to the nail technology course, and taking one step closer to my dream of opening my own salon, and working in an industry that I love!”

This is no average classroom!

The Lounge has three treatment rooms, a nail bar and spa facilities including a monsoon shower, ice facility, dry floatation chamber, sauna, steam room and Jacuzzi!



Level 3 Diploma

Beauty Therapy (Technical)

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will delve into the science behind beauty therapy treatments, by exploring anatomy, physiology and electrical science.

You will also provide a range of beauty treatments including skin and body analysis, face and body electrical treatments and Swedish massage.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 2 Beauty Therapy qualification or equivalent, and have a grade 4 in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 3 Diploma

Spa Therapies

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will learn the importance of creating a relaxing atmosphere using our spa facilities including sauna, steam room, Jacuzzi, flotation bed and individual treatment rooms.

You will develop your understanding of anatomy and physiology, learn how to monitor and maintain the spa area, how to provide body massage, Indian head massage, stone therapy massage (hot stones, cold stones and semi-precious stones) and body wraps, as well as client care and health and safety.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed a level 2 Beauty Therapy qualification.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 3 Diploma

Theatrical, Special Effects, Hair and Media Makeup

What will I study?

This one-year course explores all aspects of creative, theatrical media makeup from camouflage makeup and airbrushing, to applying prosthetic pieces and creating fantasy hair designs.

You will develop a range of technical abilities, whilst gaining crucial experience of working with theatre productions and professional clients.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 2 Hair and Media Makeup qualification, or equivalent.

Progression

You could progress into employment or on to higher education.

Level 3 Diploma

Nail Technology (Technical)

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will explore a diverse range of nail enhancement treatments such as light cured gel, electric filing and nail art.

You will learn how to accurately recommend treatments for a range of nail problems, and will spend time identifying chemicals used in varnishes, solutions and enhancement treatments.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 2 Beauty Therapy qualification or equivalent, and have a grade 4 in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to another course within beauty or directly into employment.

Level 2 Diploma

Beauty Therapy (Technical)

What will I study?

During this one-year technical course, you will explore everything from eyelash and eyebrow services, manicure and pedicure treatments, to facial and skin type analysis and makeup applications.

You will gain insight from skincare specialists and local industry professionals with an opportunity to gain a membership that is recognised by the industry.

What will I need?

GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy (Technical) or level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology (Technical).

Level 2 Diploma

Hair and Media Makeup Studies

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will develop your skills in makeup applications, photographic makeup while assisting with makeup.

Unleash your creativity and create intricate face and body painting and nail art, whilst researching and developing different styles and trends for the industry and theatre.

What will I need?

Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Theatrical, Special Effects, Hair and Media Makeup or the level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology (Technical).

- Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/beauty for more information

Level 2 Diploma

Beauty Therapy

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will enhance your knowledge of the industry and gain experience providing a range of treatments such as eyelash and brow treatments, facial skincare, waxing, basic manicures, pedicures and nail art.

Based in our salon, you will carry out reception duties while providing first class client care and customer service, to ensure that they receive a professional and enjoyable salon experience.

What will I need?

Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths, or a level 1 Beauty Therapy qualification.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy (Technical) or the level 3 Diploma in Nail Technology (Technical).



Level 1 Diploma

Beauty Therapy

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the industry. You will learn basic manicure and pedicure techniques, understand how to provide toning, cleansing and moisturising treatments and provide advice on makeup application and skincare.

You will also explore themed face painting, nail art and photographic makeup.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to a level 2 qualification in Beauty Therapy or Hair and Media Makeup Studies.

Level 1 Diploma

Hair and Media Makeup Studies

What will I study?

This one-year course is an excellent introduction to hair and make up artistry. While maintaining a professional image in our commercial salon, you will develop a range of practical skills such as hair plaiting, styling and makeup application.

You will also develop nail art techniques, explore the art of photographic makeup and learn how to use temporary hair colour.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to a level 2 qualification in Hair and Media Makeup, Beauty Therapy or Hairdressing.

Industry Links

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theonboardspa
BY STEINER

MAC

INSPIRING AESTHETIC THERAPIST

NIYOMI

“My whole College experience was so memorable and equipped me with so much more than just a qualification. I am now a qualified Aesthetic Therapist after completing my Aesthetic Therapy qualification and Business Management (Top-up) degree at the University of Warwick.”

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy

Career

Inspiring Aesthetic Therapist

Joined us from

Soar Valley College



Connecting **Classroom** to **Career**



Read Niyomi's story at
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Niyomi



BUSINESS

Whether you have a passion for entrepreneurialism or an interest in leadership and management, studying business provides a great stepping stone to a broad range of exciting career opportunities.

You will go behind the scenes at some of the world's largest organisations to develop your understanding of the industry and to boost your CV.

You will have the opportunity to gain knowledge of marketing, finance, and project management principles, which can be transferred to a wide range of careers or help you in setting up your own business.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Supply Chain Manager

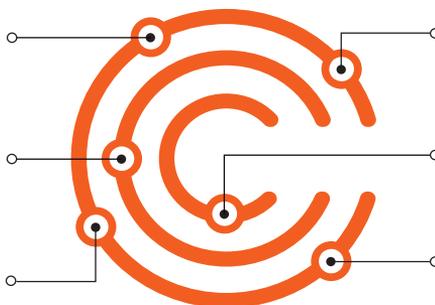
£20k - £35k+

Head of Purchasing

£25k - £40k+

Human Resources Officer

£15k - £30k+



Business Development Manager

£25k - £50k+

Sales Executive

£24k - £36k+

Chartered Accountant

£25k - £80k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/business for more information

Level 3 BTEC National Foundation Diploma

Business

What will I study?

This one-year course will provide you with the knowledge and understanding of the business sector. You will explore personal and business finance, recruitment and selection and learn how to pitch a new business idea. You will also develop and execute your own marketing campaign and plan and manage your own event.

You will also have the opportunity to experience business first-hand through a work placement with a local employer.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 5 or above including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment or on to HNC Business and Management at University Centre St Helens.



Level 3 NCFE Diploma

Skills for Business: Enterprise

What will I study?

This one-year course is designed to prepare you for employment. Whether you are looking to move up the career ladder or start your own company, this course will help you achieve your ambitions.

You will explore how businesses are created, how they grow and how they become successful. You will even have the opportunity to manage an event and pitch a business plan.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment or you may choose to study HNC Business and Management at University Centre St Helens.

Level 2 NCFE Diploma

Skills for Business

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will discover the fast-paced world of business and commerce by developing an understanding of business culture and principles.

You will also develop crucial, transferable skills such as customer service and problem-solving and gain valuable work experience in the industry alongside your course.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 NCFE Diploma in Skills for Business: Enterprise or on to an advanced apprenticeship.

Fire up your career!

Develop your experience and skills in the workplace with an apprenticeship. Earn while you learn, and gain a recognised qualification at College. See page 32 to find out how you could benefit from studying an apprenticeship route.





CATERING AND HOSPITALITY

As visitor numbers continue to grow rapidly in the Liverpool City Region, this provides a great opportunity for you to launch your own business, or be part of a creative team, in a fast-paced and innovative industry.

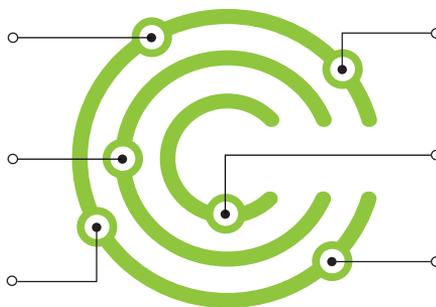
We are proud of our links with top chefs, with many of our students going to work at reputable restaurants including; The Art School Liverpool, Chester Grosvenor, The Marram Grass and Gleneagles. Some of our previous students have their own Michelin-starred restaurants and have appeared on MasterChef and Saturday Kitchen!

Connecting Classroom to Career

Head Chef
£25k - £50k+

Chef De Rang
£15k - £25k+

Sous Chef
£22k - £30k+



Sommelier
£15k - £25k+

Catering Manager
£18k - £30k+

Restaurant Manager
£22k - £30k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/catering-hospitality for more information



**INSPIRING
COMMIS WAITER**

ALEX

Classroom

Level 2 Diploma in Food and Beverage Services

Career

Inspiring Commis Waiter at The Art School

Joined us from

Geniko Lykio Soronis (Rhodes)

“I’ve had some amazing opportunities, from working in the College’s award-winning restaurant to experiencing the energetic atmosphere at high-profile events.”

“The mix of experience I gained helped me to secure employment at Paul Askew’s, exclusive fine dining restaurant, The Art School.”

Students Takeover Anfield

Our students attended Anfield Stadium to prepare and serve breakfast canapés to over 150 guests as part of an exclusive fundraising dinner. They worked with some of the industry’s top chefs, including Anfield’s Executive Chef, Chris Marshall.



Level 3 Diploma

Advanced Professional Cookery

What will I study?

This one-year course is designed to advance your culinary skills and show you how to cook with precision. Working in a fast-paced kitchen, you will prepare and cook complex dishes from meat and poultry to fish.

You will prepare and cook pastries, cakes, biscuits and breads, whilst maintaining a high level of food safety, health and hygiene in the kitchen at all times.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English or maths, or a level 2 NVQ or Diploma in Professional Cookery.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment in this exciting industry.

Level 3 NVQ Diploma

Professional Cookery

What will I study?

This one-year course will enhance your knowledge of preparing, cooking and finishing complex dishes, from fish and meat to shellfish and game, whilst adhering to food safety, health and hygiene at all times.

You will also learn new techniques and skills in butchery, larder preparations, sauce work, and production of fine pastries and confectionery.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 2 NVQ Diploma in Food Production and Cooking or level 2 Diploma in Professional Cookery.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment in this exciting industry.



This is no average classroom!

Based in our industry standard kitchens and award-winning restaurant, Colours, you will cook and serve alongside world renowned chefs and tutors who have held careers in Michelin-starred restaurants and luxury hotels all around the world.

Level 2 Diploma

Professional Cookery

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will become proficient at menu planning, an essential skill for any future Head Chef, and develop your experience of cooking delicious soups, stocks and sauces, before moving on to fruit, vegetables, meat and fish.

You will even have the opportunity to master the art of hot and cold puddings as well as biscuits, cakes and sponge.

What will I need?

Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English or maths, or a level 1 NVQ Certificate in Food Preparation and Cooking.

Progression

You could progress on to a level 3 qualification or into employment.

Level 2 Diploma

Food and Beverage Service

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will be based in our busy restaurant, Colours, learning how to serve food and beverages to the highest possible standard including silver service, table service and customer service.

You will also gain additional experience such as handling cash payments and maintaining payment points while developing your menu and beverage product knowledge.

What will I need?

Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to a level 3 qualification or into employment.

Level 2 NVQ Diploma

Food Production and Cooking

What will I study?

This one-year course focuses on preparing, cooking and serving food including pastry, butchery, and sauce work, whilst ensuring high levels of health and safety in the kitchen at all times.

You will develop your practical skills, whilst learning essential theory to gain the confidence needed to further your career as a Chef.

What will I need?

Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 NVQ Diploma in Professional Cookery.

Level 1 NVQ Certificate

Food Preparation and Cooking

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the culinary industry, as you will learn the basics needed to secure your first job in the industry. You will get to know your way around the kitchen and cook your first dishes.

You will start by boiling, poaching and steaming, before moving on to baking, roasting, grilling and frying, whilst learning new knife skills and techniques essential to any Chef.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 NVQ or Diploma in Professional Cookery, or the level 2 Diploma in Food and Beverage Service.

Industry Links



INSPIRING CHEF

KYLE

“At College, I’ve had some amazing opportunities working with top chefs in fast-paced kitchens, across a variety of locations in the UK. The support from the Chef’s at College, has prepared me for my exciting new career at exclusive fine dining restaurant, The Art School, in Liverpool, where I have now progressed to Chef De Partie.”

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma in Professional Cookery

Career

Chef De Partie at The Art School, Liverpool

Joined us from

Hope Academy



Connecting **Classroom** to **Career**



Read Kyle's story at
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Kyle



COMPUTING AND IT

With extensive advancements in technology, and with data breaches becoming increasingly more common and sophisticated, professionals working in this industry have never been in higher demand.

Computing is a very creative field that combines invention with methodical thinking, and the skills that you'll develop in our computer suites, can be transferred to a wide variety of business, scientific and social contexts.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Web Designer

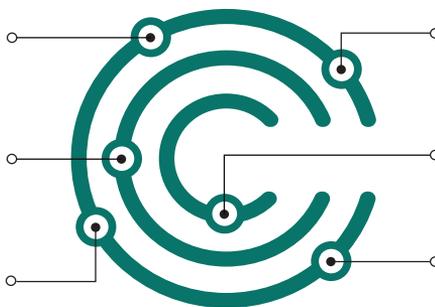
£17k - £44k

IT Support Technician

£16k - £32k

Programme and Software Developer

£21k - £64k



Information Security Manager

£28k - £51k

Software Engineer

£25k - £61k

IT Systems Manager

£45k - £75k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

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**INSPIRING
IT TECHNICIAN**

NATHAN

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Information Technology

Career

IT Technician at Unibro (Grasscutting Machinery) Limited

Joined us from

Cansfield High School

“I have always been fascinated by the ever evolving world of technology! In my spare time I have built my own gaming computer.”

“The tutors on the course are great! They helped me to secure a work placement as an IT Technician at Rapid Consultancy, which really prepared me for life in the industry.”

Fire up your career!

Develop your experience and skills in the workplace with an apprenticeship. Earn while you learn, and gain a recognised qualification at College. See page 32 to find out how you could benefit from studying an apprenticeship route.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Information Technology

What will I study?

Throughout this advanced course, you will explore the practice of IT project management and how to provide effective IT technical support and service delivery. You will also gain advanced knowledge of cyber security, event driven programming and website customisation.

As this course is hands-on and practical, you will also have the opportunity to work on your own project such as developing a website and creating systems to manage information.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Foundation Diploma in Information Technology.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You could choose from a variety of degrees such as computer science, cyber security or computer games development.

Level 3 Foundation Diploma

Information Technology

What will I study?

This one-year course will provide you with the knowledge, skills and experience needed to succeed in the industry.

You will learn the theory behind information technology whilst investigating computer systems, website development and management.

You will explore social media in business, computer programming and spreadsheets.

What will I need?

You should have five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Information Technology, or on to a higher apprenticeship.



INSPIRING IT TECHNICIAN

MATT

“My apprenticeship has enabled me to gain an extensive amount of skills and knowledge while working as part of an IT Team. I have now secured a full-time position as an IT Technician. With the support from College, I have also been able to achieve Microsoft Office Specialist qualifications, which will enhance my skill set and future career prospects.”

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma in Information Technology

Career

IT Technician at St Helens College

Joined us from

De La Salle High School

Read his full story at www.sthelens.ac.uk/Matt



Level 2 Extended Certificate

Information and Creative Technology

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will explore everything from technology systems, computer systems, database development and website development to multimedia product development and the online world.

Alongside building your digital portfolio, you'll have the opportunity to gain extra IT qualifications with Microsoft IT Academy, an accredited centre specialising in certified IT training courses.

What will I need?

You should have at least one GCSE at grade 4 or above and three GCSEs at grade 3 or above.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Foundation Diploma in Information Technology or an advanced apprenticeship.

Level 1 Diploma

Introduction to IT

What will I study?

This one-year introductory course is designed to help you to develop a wide range of skills including problem-solving, team work, communication and research, to prepare you for the next level of study.

You will develop your understanding of digital communication technologies, website design and spreadsheets while researching a relevant topic and exploring how to develop computer programs.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Extended Certificate in Information and Creative Technology.

Industry Links

Microsoft
Office Specialist Master



SAINT-GOBAIN



The construction industry is constantly growing and evolving, which is what makes working in this industry so varied and exciting.

Whether it is working on commercial developments, innovative housing or on people's homes, you will feel like you have one of the best careers in the world.

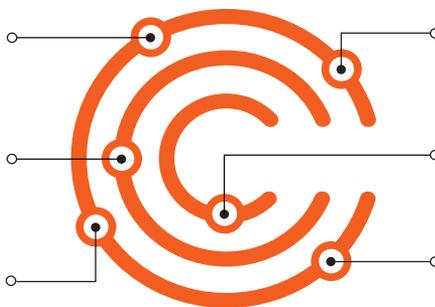
You will learn your trade in a purpose built environment with real, made-to-scale structures, for you to decorate, plaster, renovate and build in. You will also have the chance to gain valuable work experience and showcase your skills in industry competitions.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Electrician
£14k - £30k+

Construction Manager
£27k - £50k+

Site Inspector
£20k - £40k+



Chartered Surveyor
£16k - £32k+

Plumber
£14k - £30k+

Bricklayer
£14k - £30k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/construction for more information



INSPIRING TILING APPRENTICE

KASEY

Classroom

Level 2 Diploma in Wall and Floor Tiling

Career

Tiling Apprentice at DI Ceramics

Joined us from

De La Salle High School

“I have now secured an apprenticeship with established tiling company, DI Ceramics.”

“Learning in the College’s tiling workshop, working on made-to-scale structures, really helped prepare me for my work placement with Cotthams Tiles, where I worked onsite with large commercial clients.”

Fire up your career!

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Level 3 Technical Certificate

Plumbing

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will gain advanced skills in system design and planning and will explore complex cold water and hot water systems and heating systems.

You will enhance your knowledge of different types of heating and water systems, whilst gaining experience of installing various systems and components including unvented systems and complex heating arrangements.

You will also have the opportunity to gain work experience in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 2 Plumbing qualification and have achieved or be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to a higher apprenticeship or into employment.

Level 3 Technical Certificate

Painting and Decorating

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will explore complex paint systems, complex wall hangings, and architectural fixings, whilst advancing your skills producing specialist decorative finishes.

Based in our painting and decorating workshops, you will learn how to prepare a wide selection of surfaces, fix architectural items, apply paper to walls and ceilings and apply paint by brush, roller, Airless Spray and HVLP. You will also have the opportunity to gain work experience in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 2 Painting and Decorating qualification and be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 2 Technical Certificate

Electrical Installation

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will gain a diverse range of skills and knowledge in order to develop a career as an Electrician in a domestic or commercial environment.

You will develop an understanding of electrical installation technology, electro technical technology and electrical science including gaining valuable work experience in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 4 or above in English and maths and/or have successfully achieved a level 1 Electrical Installation qualification.

Progression

You could progress on to an advanced apprenticeship or directly into employment.

Level 2 Technical Certificate

Plumbing

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will enhance your skills within plumbing installations while developing an understanding of low carbon technology and renewable energy.

You will also have the opportunity to gain work experience alongside your course and understand the principles of heating systems, electricity and components.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Plumbing qualification and be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Technical Certificate in Plumbing, or into employment.

Level 2 Diploma

Plastering

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will conduct a variety of plastering tasks in addition to developing your ability to interpret information by working out materials and costings for a variety of projects.

You will carry out various plastering tasks from fixing dry lining and plasterboards to interiors and casting fibrous plasterwork. You will also have the opportunity to gain experience in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Plastering qualification and be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 2 Diploma

Painting and Decorating

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will explore complex paint systems and advance your skills by producing specialist decorative finishes.

You will also apply paint by brush and roller, apply paper to walls and ceilings, and prepare surfaces while you gain work experience in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Painting and Decorating qualification and be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Technical Certificate in Painting and Decorating or into employment.

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Level 2 Diploma

Wall and Floor Tiling

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will develop advanced tiling skills, create intricate tile designs using a range of products and techniques and gain a stronger understanding of construction technology.

You will also gain experience in the industry and understand how to prepare and set out surfaces and backgrounds for tiling.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Wall and Floor Tiling qualification and be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.



Level 2 Diploma

Bricklaying

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will gain the necessary practical skills and knowledge required to progress in the industry.

You will interpret scale drawings, construct structures and cladding, develop an understanding of construction technology and gain valuable work experience within the construction industry.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Bricklaying qualification and be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 2 Diploma

Site Carpentry

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will carry out flooring and roofing operations while exploring frames, partitions, stairs and carpentry maintenance.

You will also have the opportunity to carry out structural carcassing operations and gain experience in the industry alongside your course.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Carpentry and Joinery qualification and be on track to achieve grade 4 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 1 Diploma

Electrical Installation

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great first step towards a career as an Electrician. Learning basic skills; both practical and theory based, you will learn the scientific principles of electricity.

You will explore everything from conduit, trunking and installation methods to electrical components and fittings.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths. You will be supported to develop your English and maths skills alongside your course.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Technical Certificate in Electrical Installation.

Level 1 Diploma

Plumbing

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to plumbing. You will master the art of pipe bending and soldering while gaining experiencing installing bathrooms and heating systems.

You will explore the scientific principles of plumbing including hot and cold water and heating sanitation systems.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths. You will be supported to develop your English and maths skills alongside your course.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Technical Certificate in Plumbing or an apprenticeship.

Level 1 Diploma

Plastering

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to plastering. You will explore a range of building methods and construction technology while developing skills in wet plastering.

You will also learn how to prepare surfaces and mix plaster materials including applying a range of coats to various structures.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths. You will be supported to develop your English and maths skills alongside your course.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Plastering or an apprenticeship.

Level 1 Diploma

Painting and Decorating

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to painting and decorating in the industry. You will learn about various paint systems and develop a range of application techniques.

You will also apply foundation and plain papers and produce decorative finishes in addition to gaining valuable work experience alongside your course.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths. You will be supported to develop your English and maths skills alongside your course.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Painting and Decorating or an apprenticeship.

Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/construction for more information

Level 1 Diploma

Wall and Floor Tiling

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to tiling. You will develop a range of practical skills including preparing and fixing tiling materials to various installations.

You will also explore building methods and construction technology while creating decorative pattern designs. There is also an opportunity to gain work experience.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths. You will be supported to develop your English and maths skills alongside your course.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Wall and Floor Tiling.



Level 1 Diploma

Bricklaying

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to bricklaying. Based in our workshops, you will learn the fundamental aspects of bricklaying including how to construct block, brick and cavity walling.

You will also have the opportunity to develop the hand skills needed to use a variety of tools and gain valuable work experience in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths. You will be supported to develop your English and maths skills alongside your course.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying or an apprenticeship.

Industry Links



Level 1 Diploma

Carpentry and Joinery

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to carpentry and joinery. You will develop a range of practical skills from various tasks such as creating woodworking joints, frames, doors and windows.

You will also learn how to use hand and portable power tools and how to put up access equipment and scaffolding while gaining valuable work experience in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths. You will be supported to develop your English and maths skills alongside your course.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Site Carpentry or an apprenticeship.



CREATIVE MEDIA

Get to grips with producing, directing, filming and editing as you explore the creative world of cinematography and experiment with camera production and recording sound.

Our industry-experienced tutors have fantastic employer links, enabling you to work on live projects and briefs with professional clients.

Whether you want to become a producer, journalist, camera operator or work within TV and film, this could be the first step towards a career in the creative industries.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Camera Operator

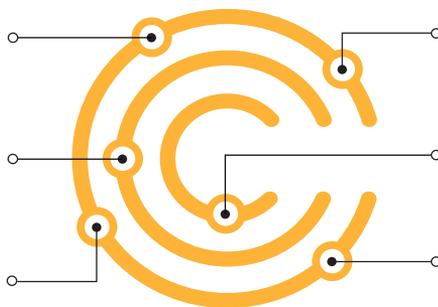
£18k - £42k+

TV/Film Producer

£30k - £100k+

Journalist

£16k - £47k+



Film/Video Technician

£20k - £40k+

Cinematographer

£26k - £58k+

Sound/Lighting Technician

£15k - £35k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/creativemedia for more information



**ASPIRING
PRODUCER**

ALFIE

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice

Career

Aspiring Producer

Joined us from

Wade Deacon High School

“I love films, so I was very excited when I got the opportunity to produce and direct my very own documentary.”

“My favourite part about the course is working in the College’s green screen and editing suite. We get to use industry recognised equipment and software, which has prepared me for a career in the industry.”

This is no average classroom!

Using our £60,000 TV studio, green screen infinity cove and editing suites, you will have the opportunity to work on live projects with professional clients and national organisations.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Creative Media Practice

What will I study?

This course will take your knowledge to the next level, enabling you to prepare and develop a proposal in response to an industry brief using advanced practical, critical and reflective skills.

You will develop an understanding of the industry, job roles and higher education routes, allowing you to adapt your work to your personal aims. You will also have an opportunity to respond to a brief using idea generation techniques.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Diploma in Creative Media Practice.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You may choose to progress on to University Centre St Helens to study one of our creative arts degrees such as FdSc Media Production.

Level 3 Diploma

Creative Media Practice

What will I study?

This practical one-year course has been developed alongside experts from the creative industry to allow progression on to higher education or employment.

You will explore the fundamentals of creative media practice and develop practical skills across film making, photography, digital graphics, podcasting, animation and sound. You will also have the opportunity to respond to a brief using idea generation techniques to the communication of outcomes.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice.



EARLY YEARS

Working with children and young people is a hugely rewarding career, whether it is supporting them in an education setting or in a clinical environment.

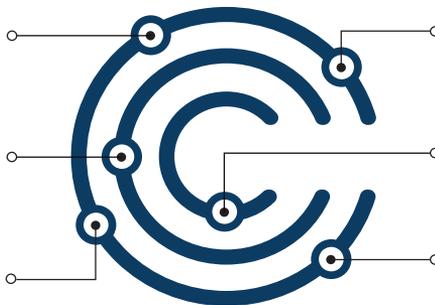
This industry has a lot to offer with excellent salaries and career progression! An essential part of any successful career is experience – which you will gain lots of alongside your course. When you are not on a work placement or gaining knowledge in the classroom, you will be getting involved in a wide range of community initiatives to boost your CV.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Primary School Teacher
£23k - £45k+

Child Psychologist
£25k - £50k+

Social Worker
£24k - £40k+



Early Years Educator
£18k - £30k+

Nursery Manager
£23k - £45k+

Health Play Specialist
£20k - £30k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/earlyyears for more information



ASPIRING PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER

OLIVER

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator)

University

Primary Education at Edge Hill University

Joined us from

De La Salle High School

“I really enjoyed completing a work placement at Our Lady’s Catholic Primary School.”

“Being a student governor has opened up lots of opportunities for me. It gave me the confidence to secure my place at university and brought me one step closer to becoming a Primary School Teacher.”

Fire up your career!

Develop your experience and skills in the workplace with an apprenticeship. Earn while you learn, and gain a recognised qualification at College. See page 32 to find out how you could benefit from studying an apprenticeship route.



Level 3 Technical Certificate/ Diploma

Childcare and Education
(Early Years Educator)

What will I study?

This advanced two-year course explores everything from child development, psychology and socialisation to child health, play and learning, and international perspectives.

Practical experience in a workplace setting is a key element of this course including the opportunity to develop your theoretical knowledge in the classroom.

What will I need?

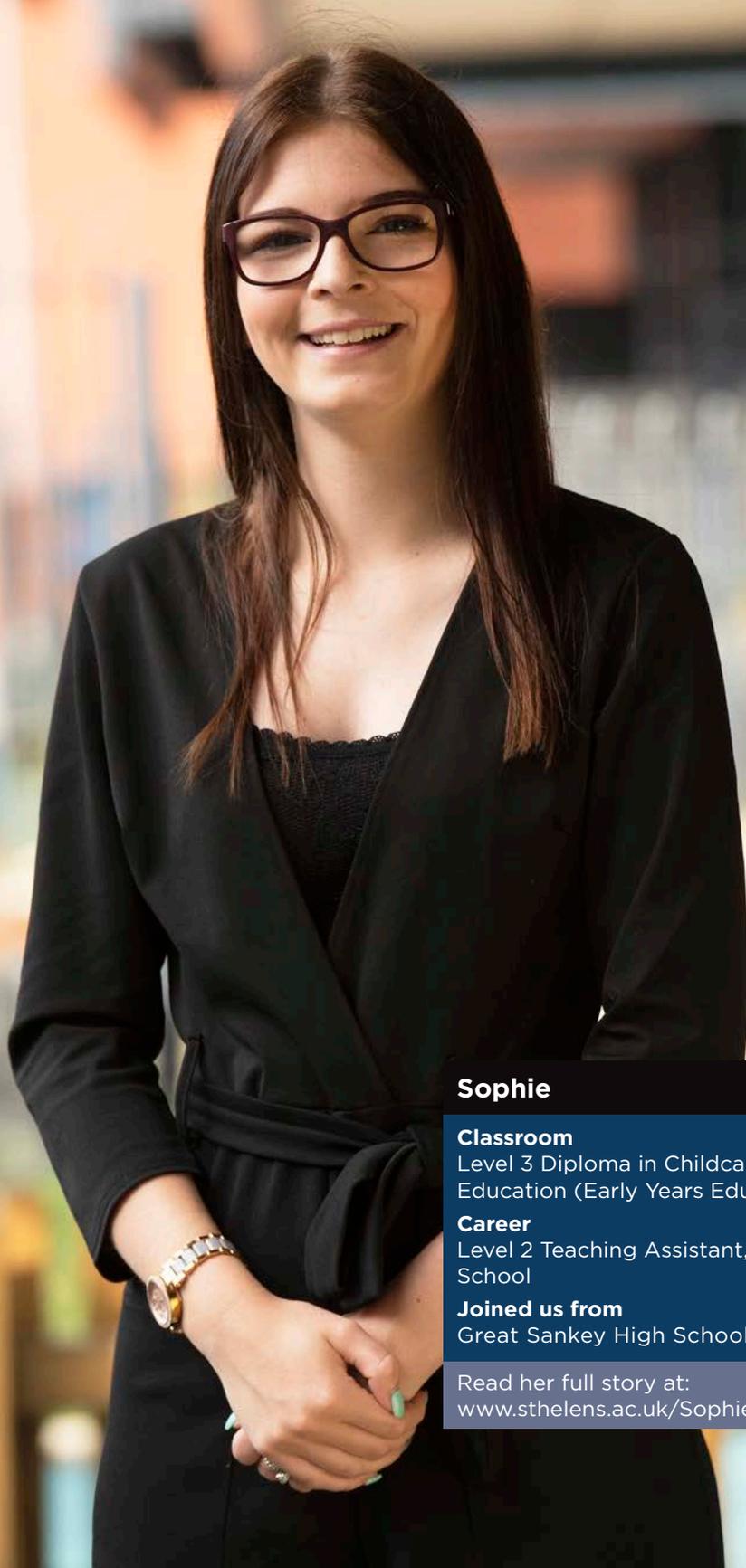
You should have five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language and maths.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You may choose to progress on to University Centre St Helens to study the FdA Early Years Practice.





Sophie

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator)

Career

Level 2 Teaching Assistant, Fox Wood School

Joined us from

Great Sankey High School

Read her full story at:
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Sophie

Level 2 Diploma

Early Years Practitioner

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will gain valuable practical experience in a childcare setting while developing your understanding of the physical development of children and the value of recreational activities.

You will learn the importance of promoting positive behaviour in early years settings, safeguarding and protection and welfare.

What will I need?

You should have three GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English language or maths, plus one GCSE at grade 4 in English language or maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment or on to the level 3 Technical Certificate/Diploma in Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator).

Level 1 Certificate/Diploma

Caring for Children

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the industry, especially if you haven't had the opportunity to study this at school.

You will explore everything from the development of young children, safeguarding and healthy living, to supporting babies to play and learning how to implement craft, science and technology activities.

What will I need?

You should have three GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English language or maths.

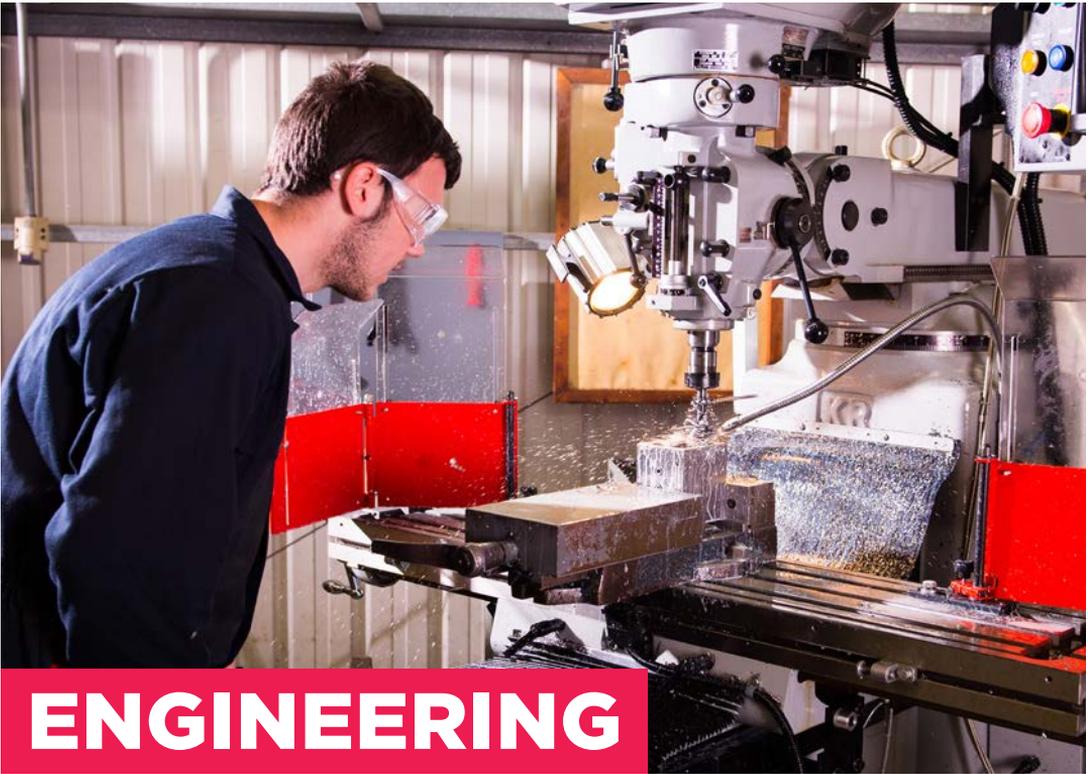
Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Early Years Practitioner.



Industry Links





Rapid advancements in the engineering industry, specifically within the fields of electrical, marine, aeronautical, advanced manufacturing and wind turbine, makes working in this industry so exciting and varied.

From working in our engineering workshops, using industry standard machinery and equipment to building your knowledge in the classroom, you will carry out a range of engineering projects to enhance your practical skills and technical ability.

Alongside developing crucial employability skills, you will complete work experience with employers.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Automation Engineer

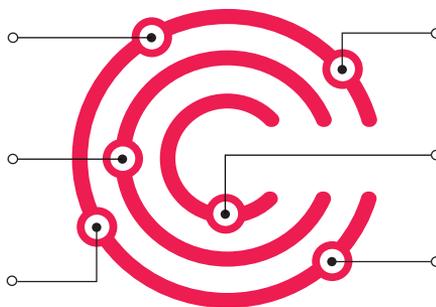
£20k - £45k+

Fabricator Welder

£16k - £30k+

CAD Technician

£15k - £35k+



Product Designer

£19k - £50k+

Electrical Engineer

£20k - £60k

Mechanical Engineer

£20k - £45k+

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• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/engineering for more information



ASPIRING

AEROSPACE ENGINEER

ASH

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma in Engineering Technologies: Mechanical Engineering

Career

Mechanical Engineering Design Apprentice at CAL International

Joined us from

Sussex College Network (Sri Lanka)

“The supportive tutors with their industry links, helped me to secure my innovative apprenticeship.”

“As part of my role, I research and develop new ideas and improve existing designs and processes across a variety of industries such as automotive, chemical, aerospace and packaging.”

Fire up your career!

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Level 3 Technical Extended Diploma

Engineering

What will I study?

During this advanced course, you will gain an in-depth understanding of engineering design, civil engineering, rail and aerospace, innovation and new engineering technologies.

You will develop your knowledge and practical skills in our specialist workshops, whilst undertaking additional maths qualifications.

What will I need?

You should have five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths and/or a relevant level 2 Engineering qualification.

Progression

You could accrue up to **112 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You could progress on to a HNC Engineering qualification at University Centre St Helens.

Level 3 Advanced Technical Certificate

Engineering Technologies - Mechanical Pathway

What will I study?

This specialist one-year course, provides an in-depth understanding of mechanical engineering principles and computer aided design.

Working in multi-disciplinary groups, replicating industry practices, you will explore manufacturing techniques such as computer numerical control (CNC) and understand how to maintain mechanical systems. You will also experience advanced milling and turning in our industry workshops.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths and science.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Technical Extended Diploma in Engineering.



This is no average classroom!

Meet the current skills demand in the Liverpool City Region, by learning in our engineering workshops that are equipped with industry standard machines and tools, whilst completing valuable work experience alongside your course.

Level 3 Advanced Technical Certificate

Engineering Technologies - Electrical Pathway

What will I study?

During this advanced one-year course, you will gain an in-depth understanding of electrical and electronic principles and digital and microelectronics.

Working in multi-disciplinary groups, replicating industry practices, you will develop your knowledge whilst exploring engineering mathematics, programmable logic controllers (PLCs) and automation.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths and science.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Technical Extended Diploma in Engineering.

Level 2 Technical Certificate

Electrical Engineering

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will explore the principles, methods and technology involved in electrical/electronic engineering.

You will also gain an understanding of engineering environmental awareness, technical drawing techniques, electrical control systems and machinery and equipment.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths and science.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Advanced Technical Certificate in Engineering Technologies - Electrical Pathway or on to an apprenticeship.

Level 2 Technical Certificate

Mechanical Engineering

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will study a range of engineering techniques and advanced manufacturing systems, while developing practical skills and experience in turning and milling operations.

You will also gain an understanding of computer aided drawing software (CAD) while practising your drawing techniques.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English, maths and science.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Advanced Technical Certificate in Engineering Technologies - Mechanical Pathway or on to an apprenticeship.

Level 1 NVQ Diploma

Performing Engineering Operations (Multi-Skill)

What will I study?

This one-year course will provide you with the skills and knowledge required for your desired career, whether that be in electrical engineering or mechanical engineering.

Based in our specialist workshops, you will develop a range of practical and employability skills specific to your area of interest, gaining a strong understanding of the principles of engineering.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just a passion and commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to a level 2 Technical Certificate in Electrical Engineering or Mechanical Engineering, or on to an apprenticeship.

Industry Links

ThermoFisher
SCIENTIFIC

 LIVERPOOL
JOHN MOORES
UNIVERSITY

CAL
INTERNATIONAL 

INSPIRING ENGINEER

CAMERON

“The course had great links. Valuable work experience with global engineering companies helped me to understand what was needed to succeed in the industry. With the skills and knowledge that I developed at College, I set up my own successful engineering company that specialises in heritage engineering.”

Classroom

Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Engineering

Career

Managing Director, C.J.S Engineering

Joined us from

Cansfield High School



Connecting **Classroom** to **Career**



Read Cameron's story at
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Cameron



Develop your creativity in our very own florist, The Flower Studio, designing intricate arrangements for paying customers, exploring floral designs for special occasions and maintaining the condition of plants and planted designs.

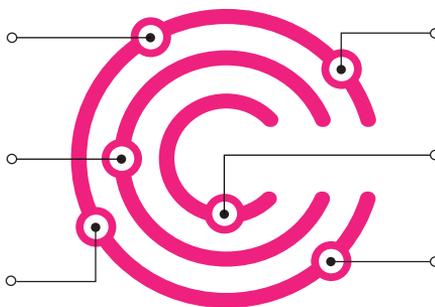
You may also have the opportunity to showcase your work at industry competitions. Many students have secured employment with high profile organisations in the industry while others have launched their own successful business.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Florist Manager
£20k - £25k+

Interior Designer
£15k - £45k+

Events Manager
£20k - £40k+



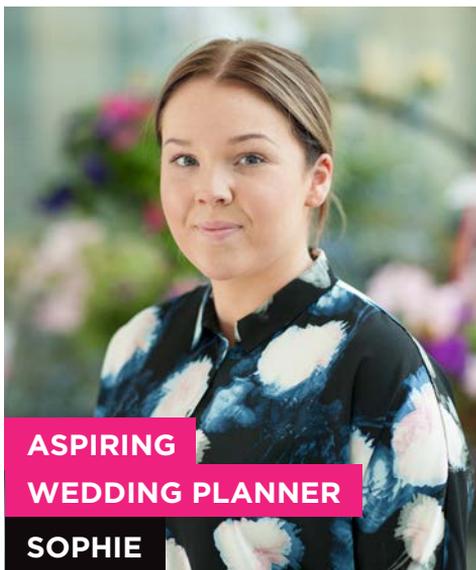
Visual Merchandiser
£14k - £25k+

Florist Business Owner
£15k - £30k+

Wedding Planner
£15k - £25k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/floristry for more information



**ASPIRING
WEDDING PLANNER**

SOPHIE

Classroom

Level 2 Diploma in Floristry

Career

Aspiring Wedding Planner

Joined us from

Cowley International College

“My tutors were amazing and the course is practical so I was always getting stuck in, creating floral arrangements!”

“Trying to decide what type of Event Planner I would like to be was difficult, but I love weddings and the idea of creating one that is special and unique to the bride and groom is what encouraged me to complete this course.”

Fire up your career!

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Level 3 Diploma

Floristry

What will I study?

This one-year course is designed to enhance your knowledge and skills of the industry while gaining an in-depth understanding of running a successful business.

You will explore everything from corporate identity, buying and business procedures to creating complex floral designs and arrangements for various events such as weddings, formal occasions and funerals.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 2 Floristry qualification.

Progression

You could progress into employment or progress on to the HNC Business and Management at University Centre St Helens.





This is no average classroom!

Work alongside industry experienced tutors in our own commercial florist, The Flower Studio, where you will gain first-hand experience of working in an exciting, fast-paced environment, creating floral masterpieces for paying customers.

Level 2 Diploma

Floristry

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will create floral designs, arrangements and hand-tied bouquets while completing work experience in the industry with a local employer.

You will learn how to identify and maintain the condition of plants and planted designs and plan and construct floral arrangements for weddings, funerals and large events.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Floristry, or on to an apprenticeship.

Level 1 Diploma

Floristry

What will I study?

This one-year course provides a great introduction to the industry and is perfect for those who have an interest and passion for floristry.

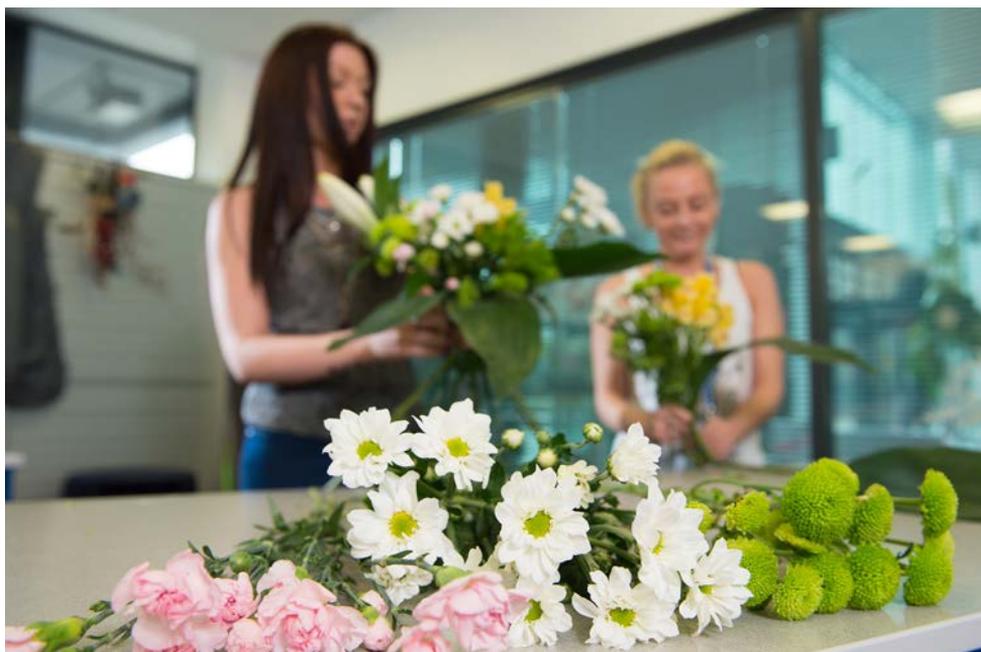
Based in our commercial florist, The Flower Studio, you will produce basic tied designs and plant designs while exploring colour theory and cultivating herbs.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Floristry.

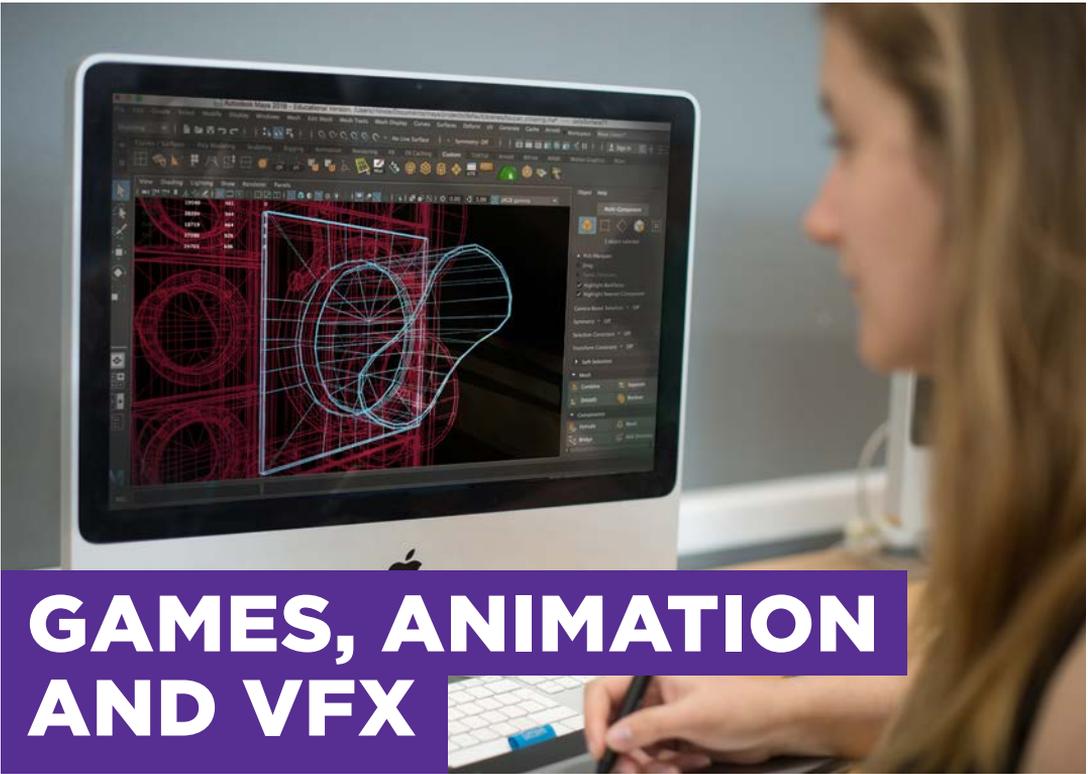


Industry Links

Southport Flower Show

the Flower STUDIO

GBR Flowers
Wholesale Suppliers to Retail Trade

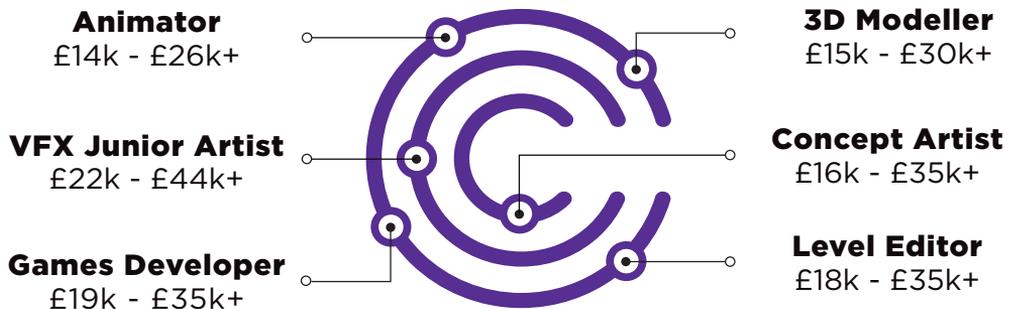


GAMES, ANIMATION AND VFX

The Northwest is home to a growing digital arts industry and key production studios for animation, games production and visual effects for TV and film, which means big employers are always looking for fresh talent!

Designed by leading industry partners such as Ubisoft, Sony, Framestore, Blue Zoo and Double Negative, you will develop technical, artistic and programming skills that are crucial to you launching your career. You will also have the opportunity to work on a range of live briefs with local and regional employers.

Connecting Classroom to Career



*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/games for more information



**ASPIRING
3D ARTIST
THOMAS**

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Games, Animation and VFX Skills

University

Game Art at University Centre St Helens

Joined us from

De La Salle High School

“From using industry standard software to gaining insight from companies such as TT Games, who have produced work for the likes of LEGO - I have loved every minute of my course!”

“I am now continuing my journey to becoming a professional 3D Artist by studying BA (Hons) Game Art at University Centre St Helens.”

This is no average classroom!

Our partnership with NextGen Skills Academy means our students have access to the most incredible learning environment, from masterclasses with leading figures in the industry to software used by top professionals!



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Games, Animation and VFX Skills

What will I study?

This unique course is designed by some of the world's leading employers to ensure you have the necessary skills to succeed in the industry.

You will master 3D modelling and animation using Autodesk Maya, concept your ideas in Adobe Photoshop, build unique games in Unreal Engine 4 and produce an extensive show reel portfolio.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Diploma in Games, Animation and VFX Skills.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You may choose to progress on to University Centre St Helens to study a creative arts degree such as BA (Hons) Game Art.

Level 3 Diploma

Games, Animation and VFX Skills

What will I study?

This one-year course will give you the entry-level skills you need to work successfully in the industry. Designed by industry professionals, this award-winning qualification offers you the chance to be a part of the next generation of leading talent.

You will develop technical, artistic, maths and programming skills that are vital to the successful creation of any game, animation or visual effects sequence.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths, including an art and design based subject or portfolio of work.

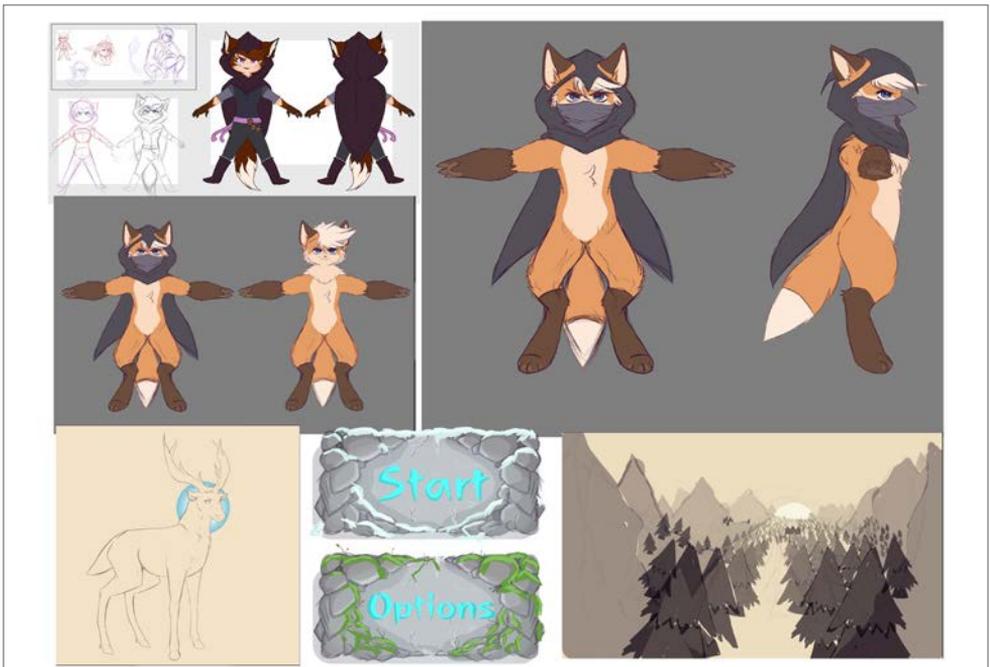
Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Games, Animation and VFX Skills.

STUDENT ARTWORK



Aleksy Podolecki, Regan Wilson and Emma Quinn - Level 3 Extended Diploma



Emma Quinn - Level 3 Extended Diploma



Nathan May - Level 3 Extended Diploma



Thomas McCahey - Level 3 Extended Diploma



GRAPHIC DESIGN

The UK has the second largest design industry in the world, and is recognised as an innovative leader with high quality designers. This means that now more than ever, employers are looking for talented individuals with the right mix of skills, creativity and imagination to change lives, communities and organisations for the better.

Working on live briefs with local employers is a crucial part of your course, alongside showcasing your work at our end-of-year show.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Graphic Designer

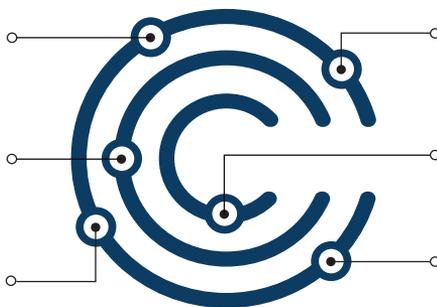
£16k - £50k+

Product Designer

£19k - £50k+

Animator

£14k - £36k+



Advertising Art Director

£18k - £60k+

Art Editor

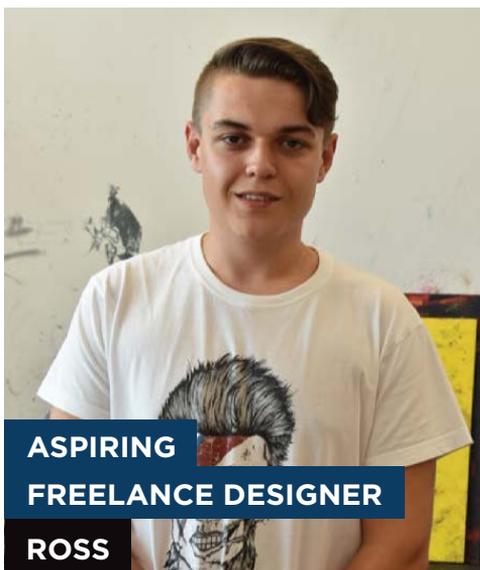
£18k - £40k+

Illustrator

£14k - £40k

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• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/graphicdesign for more information



ASPIRING FREELANCE DESIGNER

ROSS

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Graphic Design

University

Graphic Design at University Centre St Helens

Joined us from

St Cuthbert's Catholic High School

“Meeting the tutors at an Open Event is when I knew that studying this course was the next step for me after school.”

“Having the opportunity to work on a variety of live briefs with clients in the industry, has played a key part in my development of a broad range of skills and my portfolio.”

This is no average classroom!

Based in our Apple Mac studio using the latest software, you will build a portfolio of work across a range of disciplines with direct access to a creative community of practising artists, photographers and other arts professionals.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Art and Design Practice
(Graphic Design)

What will I study?

Throughout this advanced course, you will unleash your creativity across a range of disciplines from designing fonts, typefaces and magazine layouts to exploring digital and traditional illustration and studying 2D animation.

You will build an extensive portfolio while working on live briefs and could also gain an Adobe Certified Associate qualification.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 National Diploma in Art and Design Practice (Graphic Design).

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You may choose to progress on to University Centre St Helens to study BA (Hons) Graphic Design.

Level 3 National Diploma

Art and Design Practice
(Graphic Design)

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will develop your imagination through the use of visual communication and contextual studies.

You will explore ideas and concepts, typography, branding and graphics and you will use the latest Adobe software packages to give you the competitive advantage when you are ready to enter the industry.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths, and preferably an art based subject.

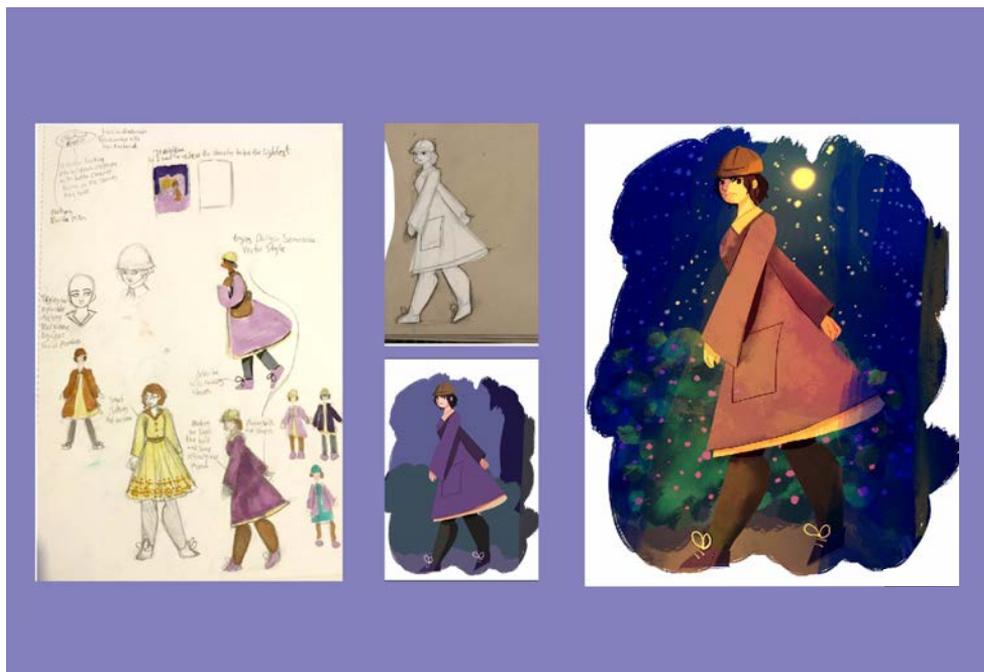
Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 National Extended Diploma in Art and Design Practice (Graphic Design).

STUDENT ARTWORK



Matt Isherwood - Level 3 Extended Diploma



Emily Manning - Level 3 Extended Diploma



Olivia Maguire - Level 3 Extended Diploma



HAIRDRESSING AND BARBERING

A career in hairdressing and barbering can take you anywhere in the world, from working in a spa, at a holiday resort or on film and TV, to cruise liners and even the theatre. It's hard work but it's exciting!

Based in our commercial hairdressing salon, The Lounge, you will work with commercial clients, creating on trend hair designs, perfecting your cutting skills and discovering how to trim men's facial hair with precision.

Our technical routes enable you to specialise in the career of your choice while developing key skills to lead you to career success. You could achieve up to a Distinction *, equivalent to A* at A level.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Hairdresser

£14k - £25k+

Barber

£14k - £25k+

Colour Specialist

£14k - £20k+

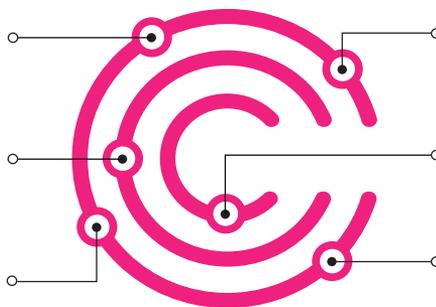


Image Consultant

£14k - £30k+

Senior Stylist

£20k - £30k+

Salon Manager

£20k - £30k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/hairdressing for more information



**ASPIRING
HAIR STYLIST**

NICOLE

Classroom

Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing Studies

Career

Aspiring Hair Stylist

Joined us from

Haydock High School

“From a young age, I have always loved styling hair, taking inspiration from my mum who currently works in the industry.”

“I really enjoy working in the College’s commercial salon. Being able to practise my skills on paying clients has given me the confidence to secure an apprenticeship working in a local salon.”

This is no average classroom!

Develop your experience and skills in the workplace with an apprenticeship. Earn while you learn, and gain a recognised qualification at College. See page 32 to find out how you could benefit from studying an apprenticeship route.



Level 3 Diploma

Women’s Hairdressing

What will I study?

This advanced one-year course is designed to prepare you for a successful career as an employed and/or self-employed Hairdresser/ Stylist. You will practise your cutting, colouring and styling skills on commercial clients.

There is also an opportunity to become a State Registered Hairdresser (SRH) with the Hair Council at the end of your course, an official recognition that is valued by employers.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above and a level 2 Hairdressing qualification.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 3 Diploma

Barbering

What will I study?

This one-year course explores a variety of techniques used to cut, trim, shape, and taper clients’ hair to perfection including facial hair maintenance, custom shaves and other grooming services.

Working in a salon environment, you will also supervise and support your colleagues to ensure health and safety procedures are followed while providing an excellent customer experience.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 2 Barbering qualification.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.



This is no average classroom!

Showcase your skills and talent at industry competitions, such as the annual Association of Hairdressers and Therapist Skills Show, whilst building your confidence in our commercial hairdressing salon, practising your skills on paying clients.

Level 2 Diploma

Hairdressing Studies

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will practise your skills on commercial clients including cutting, colouring and styling.

You will also learn how to conduct client consultations and master the art of shampooing and conditioning the hair and scalp, whilst providing impeccable customer service to create a relaxing environment.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment, on to the level 3 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing or on to an apprenticeship.

Level 2 Technical Certificate

Women's Hairdressing

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will explore everything from blow drying, styling and cutting hair to colouring, dressing and treating the hair and scalp in our commercial salon, The Lounge.

You will gain insight from haircare specialists and local industry professionals with an opportunity to gain a membership that is recognised by the industry.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment, on to the level 3 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing or on to an apprenticeship.

Level 2 Certificate

Barbering

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will develop the skills, knowledge and experience to become a successful, employed and/or self-employed men's Hairdresser.

Based in our commercial salon, you will enhance your cutting techniques when cutting men's hair and facial hair. You will also provide client consultations and learn how to promote products and services to commercial clients.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment, on to the level 3 Diploma in Barbering or on to an apprenticeship.

Level 1 Diploma

Hairdressing

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the industry. You will develop the skills and knowledge required to progress on to the next level of study and will have the opportunity to complete work experience within a salon setting.

You will explore everything from dressing and styling hair, to colouring hair effectively and maintaining a professional image in the salon.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment, or on to a level 2 qualification in Hairdressing, Beauty or Hair and Media Makeup.

Industry Links

L'ORÉAL



DEAR BARBER
THE PROFESSIONALS





Working in health, social care and nursing is so varied and rewarding. Whether it is working in a clinical setting or in the community, you will feel like you have one of the best careers in the world.

You will gain hands-on experience in real, healthcare environments alongside your course, taking advantage of our strong links with employers such as the NHS.

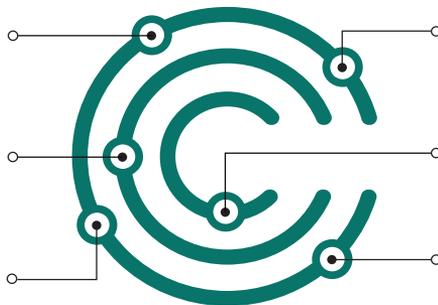
You will also have the chance to gain first-hand insight from special guest speakers.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Dental Nurse
£18k - £30k+

Healthcare Assistant
£15k - £20k+

Residential Care Manager
£20k - £54k+



Operating Department Practitioner
£24k - £30k+

Midwife
£24k - £43k+

Social Worker
£24k - £40k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/health for more information



INSPIRING CLINICAL PSYCHOLOGIST

ALEX

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care

University

Psychology at Edge Hill University

Joined us from

St Edmund Arrowsmith (Whiston)

“I have always wanted a meaningful career where I am able to help others to overcome an illness.”

“Studying a vocational course at St Helens College has made me more career focussed and has provided a direct stepping stone to achieving my chosen career as a Clinical Psychologist.”

Fire up your career!

Develop your experience and skills in the workplace with an apprenticeship. Earn while you learn, and gain a recognised qualification at College. See page 32 to find out how you could benefit from studying an apprenticeship route.



Level 3 Technical Extended Diploma

Health and Social Care

What will I study?

This advanced two-year course, supported by NHS Trusts, Whiston Hospital and the Northwest Ambulance Service, combines work placements in settings such as specialist units, outpatient wards and care homes, with the theory undertaken in the classroom.

You will explore everything from health promotion and health psychology to anatomy and medication in health and social care. If you are interested in an allied health career, this course could also form part of a Cadetship.

What will I need?

You should have five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

Alternatively, you could secure employment or a higher apprenticeship.

Level 3 Technical Certificate

Health and Social Care

What will I study?

This nationally recognised qualification allows you to understand and develop the skills needed for working and caring for adults in the sector.

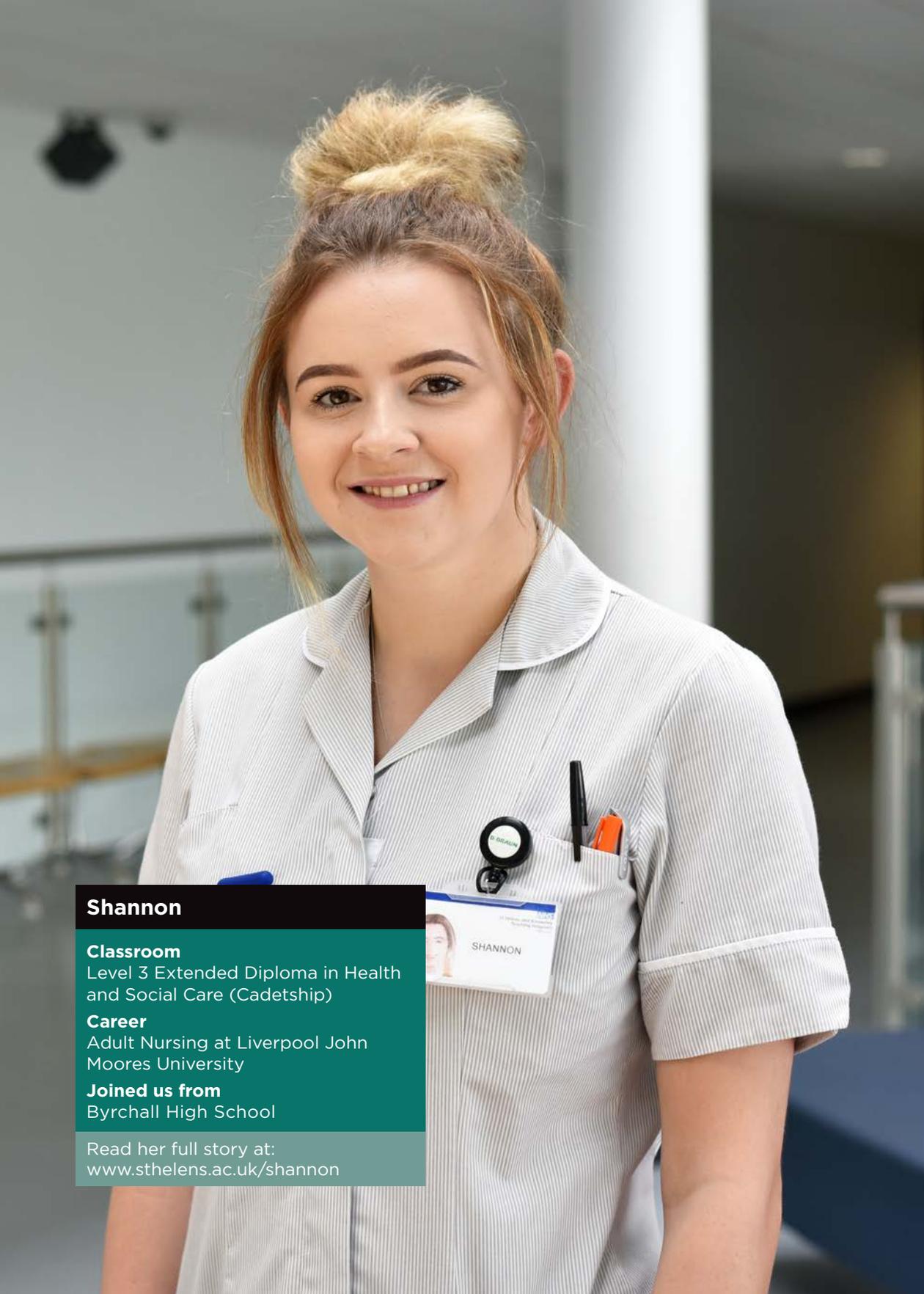
During this course, you will explore care plans and roles and responsibilities in the sector and will also study safeguarding, equality and diversity. This qualification is also enhanced with mandatory work placements in the care sector to develop your confidence and employability skills.

What will I need?

You should have three GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Technical Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or directly into employment.



Shannon

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care (Cadetship)

Career

Adult Nursing at Liverpool John Moores University

Joined us from

Byrchall High School

Read her full story at:
www.sthelens.ac.uk/shannon

Level 3 Certificate

Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care

What will I study?

This recognised qualification allows you to understand and develop the skills needed for working and caring for adults by exploring care plans, roles and responsibilities in the sector.

This qualification is also enhanced with mandatory work placements in the care sector to develop your confidence and employability skills.

What will I need?

You should have three GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Technical Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or directly into employment.



Level 2 Diploma

Skills for Health and Care Professions

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will have the opportunity to undertake a work placement to gain first-hand insight and experience of working in such an exciting industry.

Alongside this, you will explore everything from anatomy, physiology, dementia, nutrition and healthcare practice to social psychology, mental health and alcohol awareness.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Technical Certificate in Health and Social Care (Adult Care) or the level 3 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care.

Level 1 Introductory Diploma

Health and Social Care and Early Years

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the industry, especially if you haven't had the opportunity to study this at school.

You will develop an understanding of both health and childcare professions and explore many health and childcare related topics including keeping active, healthy living, preschool activities, reading and numeracy.

What will I need?

You should have two or more GCSEs at grade 2, including English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Skills for Health and Care Professions or the level 2 Diploma in Early Years Practitioner.

Industry Links



ASPIRING MIDWIFE

ELLEN

“Without the Health and Social Care Cadetship at St Helens College, I wouldn’t be where I am today in my role as a Maternity Health Care Assistant. I enjoyed my placement at Whiston Hospital and applied for a permanent position. I am now going on to study Midwifery at Liverpool John Moores University.”

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care

University

Midwifery at Liverpool John Moores University

Joined us from

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School



Connecting Classroom to Career



Read Ellen's story at
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Ellen



Horticulture is such an exciting and important industry to work in. It plays a vital role in the creation of vegetables and plants, which contributes to the quality of our health and the environment we live in.

Whether you want to work in a lab, at a historical site, at a botanical garden or even on a sporting pitch, the possibilities are endless and the earning potential is far reaching!

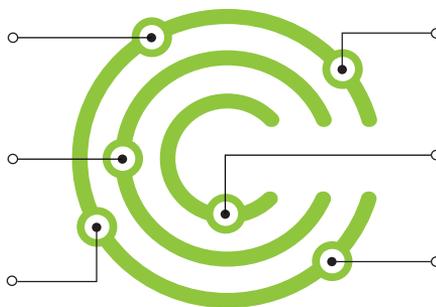
With the great outdoors as your classroom, you'll have an amazing time working in parks and gardens, developing all of the skills and knowledge required to cultivate your career.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Amenity Horticulturist
£17k - £44k

Landscape Architect
£20k - £45k+

Sports Turf Manager
£20k - £35k+



Head Gardener
£25k - £40k+

Greenkeeper
£20k - £45k+

Botanist
£22k - £30k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/horticulture for more information



**ASPIRING
LANDSCAPER**

DECLAN

Classroom

Level 3 Horticulture Apprenticeship

Career

Landscaper at Kilbane Landscapes

Joined us from

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School (Wigan)

“I enjoy being outside and working in an environment which allows me to be active.”

“I completed an apprenticeship instead of a full-time course because I felt ready to start working in the industry. My aim is to gain a broad range of skills across all areas of the company that I currently work for and then one day manage a team of my own.”

This is no average classroom!

Your classroom is the great outdoors, where you will gain valuable work experience with local and regional businesses, whilst developing your skills during community based projects.



Level 2 Diploma

Practical Horticulture Skills

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will enhance your practical skills in the green spaces across the borough, while developing in-depth knowledge of plant identification and soil testing (PH).

You will also gain experience of handling a variety of tools and equipment such as hedge trimmers, mowers and strimmers.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Horticulture qualification.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 2 Diploma

Work-based Horticulture

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will work across a range of parks and open spaces to create decorative areas, establish and maintain plants and prepare ground.

You will explore decorative horticulture practices, soft landscaping maintenance or greenkeeping, sports turf and sports ground maintenance.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Horticulture qualification.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment or on to an apprenticeship.



Level 1 Diploma

Practical Horticulture Skills

What will I study?

This one-year course introduces you to the industry and the practical skills required to progress on to the next level of study.

You will explore everything from creating hanging baskets and planting containers to preparing grounds for seeding or planting and applying organic mulch correctly.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills or the level 2 Diploma in Work-based Horticulture.

Level 1 Diploma

Work-based Horticulture

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to horticulture and the industry as a whole, as you look after the green spaces in and around your local area. You will learn about all aspects of horticulture, including how to grow plants from seeds, landscaping, looking after turf and how to safely use tools and equipment.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just passion and a commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills or the level 2 Diploma in Work-based Horticulture.



Industry Links





Based in our commercial Automotive Hub, you will develop your skills and knowledge working on real cars in our MOT bay, fast-fit department and spray booth.

All of our tutors are Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI) registered, ensuring that you are being taught by the very best in the industry and you will even have the chance to gain valuable work experience alongside your course.

Many of our students have secured employment with their work placement employers such as Jaguar Land Rover and Howard Basfords.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Auto Electrician

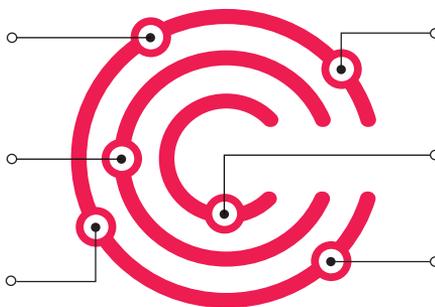
£15k - £35k+

Hybrid and Electrical Vehicle Technician

£14k - £30k

Garage Manager

£22k - £35k



Motor Vehicle Breakdown Engineer

£20k - £40k+

Paint Sprayer

£18k - £30k+

MOT Tester

£22k - £27k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/motorvehicle for more information



**ASPIRING
PAINT TECHNICIAN**

JAMIE

Classroom

Level 1 Diploma in Vehicle Accident Repair Principles

Career

Aspiring Paint Technician

Joined us from

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School (Ashton)

“I really enjoy working on cars and wanted to take my skills to the next level by learning how to provide body repairs and refinishing work to cars.”

“The workshops at the College are great, with the added opportunity to work on real cars. They even have their own spray booth and MOT bay!”

Fire up your career!

Develop your experience and skills in the workplace with an apprenticeship. Earn while you learn, and gain a recognised qualification at College. See page 32 to find out how you could benefit from studying an apprenticeship route.



Level 2 Diploma

Light Vehicle Maintenance Repair

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will develop your technical ability and skills on cars, while learning everything you need to know about light vehicles including chassis, transmission, engines and related systems.

You will fix faults using computerised diagnostic tools and industry standard equipment and will also use fabrication tools.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Motor Vehicle qualification.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment or on to an apprenticeship.

Level 2 Diploma

Vehicle Accident Repair Paint Principles

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will enhance your skills and knowledge of accident repairs, with a more tailored focus on paint repair.

Whilst developing your repair techniques, you will experience automotive paint mixing and application, while enhancing your knowledge of substrate identification. You will also apply topcoats and lacquers and rectify paint defects.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved a level 1 Motor Vehicle qualification.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment or on to an apprenticeship.



Level 1 Diploma

Transport Maintenance - Light Vehicle

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the automotive industry. You will develop a strong foundation of skills and knowledge to enable you to progress on to the next level of study.

Using a variety of tools and equipment, you will discover how spark and compression ignition engines work, explore lubrication, steering, braking and suspensions, while also gaining an understanding of electrical systems.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance Repair.

Level 1 Diploma

Vehicle Accident Repair Principles

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the industry and will enable you to gain the skills and knowledge required to progress on to the next level of study.

You will learn the basics of vehicle body repairs while developing your welding skills and experience of carrying out vehicle paint application in our Automotive Hub and fast-fit department. You will also have the opportunity to explore low carbon technologies.

What will I need?

You should have GCSEs at grade 3 or above in English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Vehicle Accident Repair Paint Principles.



Industry Links





MUSIC PRODUCTION AND PERFORMANCE

Explore the world of sound in a creative and innovative environment, working alongside tutors who are active professionals in the music industry (and have even had their own record label!).

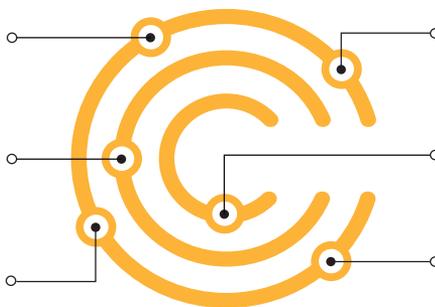
Designed to meet the competitive demands of the industry, our courses transform your passion for music into your dream career. They help you to gain technical knowledge and skills in the latest software such as Cubase, Reason and Ableton Live and provide you with incredible opportunities to gain live experience.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Music Therapist
£24k - £42k+

Recording Artist
£12k - £100k+

Event Production Technician
£15k - £35k+



Radio Producer
£22k - £120k+

Music Promotions Manager
£14k - £60k+

Sound Engineer
£18k - £48k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/music for more information



**ASPIRING
BUSINESS OWNER**

LAUREN

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Music Production

Career

Digital Marketing and Executive Assistant at Bold Management

Joined us from

St Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic High School (Whiston)

“I’ve shared some amazing moments with my class and tutors!”

“Studying music at College has changed my life. It gave me the confidence to study Music, Theatre and Entertainment Management at the Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts.”

This is no average classroom!

Develop your creative talent in our live recording studio and Apple Mac suite, working on live briefs and collaboration projects with employers, and gaining inspiration from trips to highly acclaimed recording studios and venues.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Music Production

What will I study?

Throughout this advanced course, you will gain specialist knowledge and skills in music production whilst working on personal projects such as creating your own album or EP. You will work collaboratively with others and plan and promote your own live music event.

You will also learn and practise the important processes of self promotion and networking in order to progress to junior positions in the industry.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Foundation Diploma in Music Production.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

Alternatively, you could progress directly into employment.

Level 3 Extended Diploma

Music Performance

What will I study?

Advance your skills and gain specialist knowledge and techniques to prepare you for university and a career in the industry. You will learn skills in contemporary song writing, music for moving image and audio engineering using the latest industry software and equipment.

You will also have the opportunity to develop your own music project in collaboration with others to promote and perform at a major end-of-year performance.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Foundation Diploma in Music Performance.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university. Alternatively, you could progress directly into employment.



Level 3 Foundation Diploma

Music Production

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will develop your skills and knowledge in the studio, recording and mixing and creating musical material through production and software sequencing. You will also explore the usage of music technology in live events whilst planning for a career in the music industry.

You will also have the chance to explore music enterprise opportunities.

What will I need?

You should have five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Music Production.



Industry Links

GS PROMOTIONS



Level 3 Foundation Diploma

Music Performance

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will develop your awareness of the music industry and the latest music performance techniques.

You will gain valuable experience of music session styles, theory, harmony and sequencing techniques and you will also have the opportunity to work and develop a music ensemble.

What will I need?

You should have five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Music Performance.

Level 2 First Extended Certificate

Music

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will explore what it takes to succeed in the music industry while developing your experience of using the latest industry software used by global professionals.

You will learn everything from sequencing, producing a recording and composing for visual media to investigating digital and mobile music technology and music products.

What will I need?

You should have two GCSEs at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Music Production or Music Performance.



PERFORMING ARTS

Explore and develop your talent in our bespoke theatre, studios and workshops. From analysing the works of famous directors, practitioners and playwrights to adopting roles such as performer or director, you will be challenged and trained to compete with the very best in the industry.

Our courses are approved by University of the Arts London, one of the leading performing arts universities in the country. This means that you will have access to the most incredible learning environment including professional masterclasses and workshops, and inspirational guest speakers.

Connecting Classroom to Career

Stage Manager

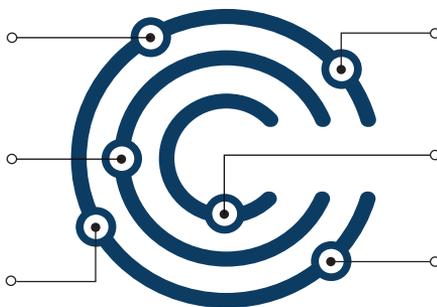
£18k - £45k+

Drama Teacher

£22k - £34k+

Actor/Actress

£15k - £100k+



Sound Engineer

£18k - £48k+

Musical Theatre Director

£22k - £48k+

Music Therapist

£30k - £44k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/performingarts for more information



ASPIRING COMEDY ACTRESS

SOPHIE

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Professional Theatre (UAL)

University

Theatre and Performance at University Centre St Helens

Joined us from

De La Salle High School

“My course has made me feel so much more confident! I’ve had the chance to express myself through various styles of acting, including improv and comedy.”

“I’ve had some amazing experiences, including visiting London’s West End and watching Broadway’s favourite, Chicago.”

This is no average classroom!

Take advantage of trips to London’s West End and theatres such as The Everyman in Liverpool, whilst performing to live audiences in our bespoke theatre and at external venues.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Professional Theatre (UAL)

What will I study?

This intensive course, approved by University of the Arts London, is specifically designed to train aspiring arts professionals.

Delivered by professional actors and choreographers, you will develop a broad range of performance skills and technical abilities, such as vocal skills, dance skills, physical theatre, TV acting and scriptwriting, all culminating in a live, end-of-year performance.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Diploma in Professional Theatre (UAL).

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You could progress on to FdA Theatre and Performance at University Centre St Helens.

Level 3 Diploma

Professional Theatre (UAL)

What will I study?

During this one-year course, approved by University of the Arts London, you will develop your skills extensively across three main disciplines, acting, movement and voice.

Learning in a collaborative environment, you will have the chance to build your skills and express your creativity in our interactive workshops. You will also take part in three scripted projects, one of which will be a musical.

What will I need?

You should have three GCSEs at grade 4 or above, or the level 2 Diploma in Professional Theatre (UAL).

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Professional Theatre (UAL), approved by University of the Arts London.



Caitlin

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Professional Theatre (UAL)

University

Theatre and Performance at University Centre St Helens

Joined us from

De La Salle High School

Read her full story at:
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Caitlin



Level 2 Diploma

Professional Theatre (UAL)

What will I study?

This one-year course, approved by University of the Arts London, provides a great introduction to the performing arts industry, especially if you have not had the opportunity to study GCSE Drama in school.

You will develop a broad range of performance skills, including vocal skills, TV acting, multi-media performance, dance skills and scriptwriting with the opportunity to progress on to the next level of study to enhance your technical abilities and knowledge of the industry.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just a passion and commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Professional Theatre (UAL), approved by University of the the Arts London.

Industry Links

ual: university
of the arts
london


St. Helens
Council



ASPIRING ACTOR

ALEX

“The opportunities on this course are endless and have taken me further than I ever thought! Learning how to audition for top drama schools have secured me a place at Italia Conti Theatre School to study Acting! It wouldn’t have been possible without the support from my amazing tutors.”

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Professional Theatre (UAL)

University

Introduction to Acting at Italia Conti Theatre School

Joined us from

Rainhill High School



Connecting Classroom to Career



極度乾燥(しなさい)
Superdry.

Read Alex's story at
www.sthelens.ac.uk/AlexF

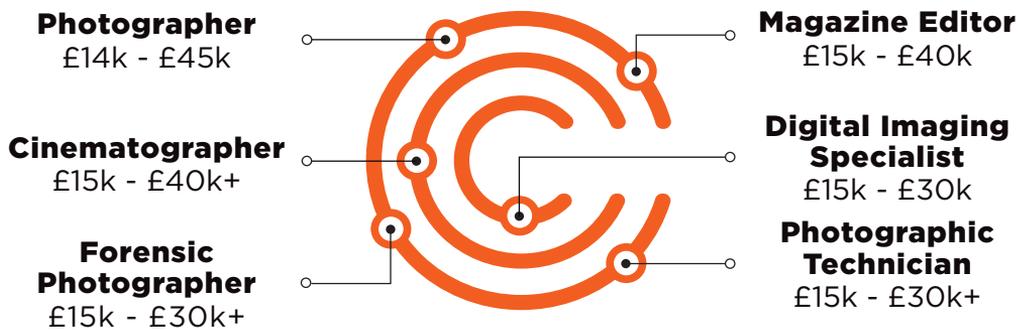


From the creative imagery used by advertising photographers in magazines, to the compelling world of editorial photography, the camera's ability to record the world around us creates an unlimited number of career opportunities in the industry.

Exploring all aspects of the art, there will be plenty of opportunities to visit regional museums and galleries, along with the opportunity to shoot your own work.

You will work on competition briefs and personal projects whilst collaborating on live projects with professional clients.

Connecting Classroom to Career



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• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/photography for more information



**ASPIRING
BUSINESS OWNER**

LIAM

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Photography

University

Graphic Design at University Centre St Helens

Joined us from

Sutton Academy

“My course has really opened my eyes to a world of new career possibilities. It has helped me to recognise where my true interests and talents are.”

“After discovering a love for editing photographs, I have decided to study graphic design. I hope to one day own my own graphics business.”

This is no average classroom!

Based in our studio space and dark room, using industry cameras, equipment and editing software, you will transform your passion for photography into a creative profession.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Art and Design Practice (Photography)

What will I study?

During this course, you will explore a variety of locations to capture your visual ideas while experimenting with lighting, mastering camera control and learning traditional and contemporary practices.

You will also discover portraiture, landscape, still life and mixed media and will undertake exciting projects to build an extensive portfolio.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 National Diploma in Art and Design Practice (Photography).

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

Alternatively, you could progress directly into employment.

Level 3 National Diploma

Art and Design Practice (Photography)

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you will develop your photography skills through a range of practical and theoretical units.

These units include visual recording, exploring the work of photographers, developing your awareness of the 'creative process', and discovering techniques and processes relating to your specialism.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths, and an art and design related subject.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design Practice (Photography).



Aimee Gleaves - Level 3 Extended Diploma



Charlotte Abrathat - Level 3 Extended Diploma



Liam Cox - Level 3 Extended Diploma

ASPIRING PHOTOGRAPHER

CHARLOTTE

“My tutors were brilliant - they made the whole experience for me and were always on hand to help! I’ve had some amazing experiences on the course, from visiting some of my favourite art galleries in Liverpool, to having the opportunity to do location and street photography. I’ve loved every minute!”

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design Practice (Photography)

University

Archaeology at University of Liverpool

Joined us from

Haydock High School



Connecting Classroom to Career



Read Charlottes's story at www.sthelens.ac.uk/Charlotte



This industry plays a vital role in the welfare and also the safety of people here in the UK and abroad, whether on the front-line, or behind the scenes. This means there are so many career opportunities for you to make a real difference at a local, national or international level!

You'll develop your team working, problem-solving and navigation skills and will have the opportunity to take part in everything from adventurous activities and advanced physical training to masterclasses with industry professionals.

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**Civil Service
Manager**

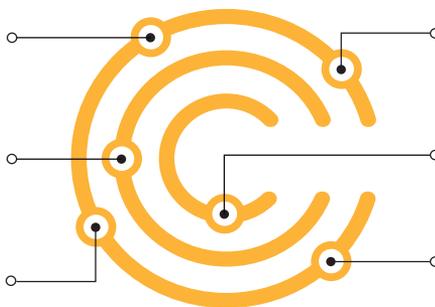
£35k - £65k+

Police Officer

£21k - £40k+

**Royal Marines
Officer**

£25k - £40k+



**Border Force
Officer**

£23k - £30k+

Firefighter

£23k - £38k+

**Chartered Legal
Executive**

£15k - £50k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/pservices for more information



**ASPIRING ARMY
INTELLIGENCE
COMMUNICATOR**

EMILIE

Classroom

Level 3 Diploma for Entry to the Uniformed Services

Career

Aspiring Army Intelligence Communicator

Joined us from

Up Holland High School

“The course has improved my physical fitness and I loved being able to track my self-improvement, both physically and mentally.”

“The course has inspired me to work towards a career in the Armed Forces. I’ve now completed my initial training and I’m in the process of undertaking further training in relation to my role.”

This is no average classroom!

As a leading Northwest recruiter for the Royal Navy, you will work closely with forces personnel whilst having the opportunity to go on exciting trips to various Army Reserves and outdoor adventure activities.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Entry to the Uniformed Services

What will I study?

During this advanced course, you will gain crucial communication, map reading and navigation skills. You will also explore current affairs, conflict management and international organisations.

Whether you choose to secure employment or progress on to university first, our tutors prepare you mentally and physically for either option.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Certificate/Diploma in Entry to the Uniformed Services.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

Alternatively, you could progress directly into employment, or on to the recruitment and selection process for the armed forces or uniformed service of your choice.

Level 3 Certificate/Diploma

Entry to the Uniformed Services

What will I study?

This one-year course is designed to prepare you to enter the public or uniformed service of your choice.

Whilst developing your physical fitness in our gym, studio and the great outdoors, you will also take part in water-based activities, whilst learning about mental and physical wellbeing.

Build crucial leadership skills by taking part in sports coaching activities, where you will learn what it takes to be a successful leader.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Entry to the Uniformed Services.



Orla

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Entry to the Uniformed Services

University

Criminal Justice at University Centre St Helens

Joined us from

De La Salle High School

Read her full story at:
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Orla

Level 2 Diploma

Entry to the Uniformed Services

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will train and prepare for a career in the armed forces or other uniformed service of your choice.

While exploring different aspects of your physical fitness, you will have the opportunity to participate in competitive sports or adventurous activities, undertake voluntary experience and understand service routine.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Certificate/Diploma in Entry to the Uniformed Services.

Level 1 Certificate/Diploma

Entry to the Uniformed Services

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the uniformed services. Alongside building your fitness in our sports facilities, you will investigate employment opportunities in the industry.

You will also develop your self-discipline and team working skills, in addition to participating in outdoor adventure activities and competitive sports.

What will I need?

You should have two or more GCSEs at grade 2 or above in English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Entry to the Uniformed Services.



Industry Links



Civil Service
Local





Working in our fully equipped laboratories, you will explore the realms of science as you investigate genetics, human anatomy, physiology and pharmacology.

You will develop valuable practical skills and analytical thinking, crucial to progressing on to university or entering employment in the science sector.

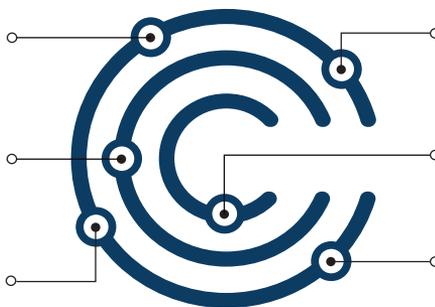
Studying science can lead to many exciting career opportunities within fields such as biomedical science, microbiology, forensic science and even nutrition or teaching!

Connecting Classroom to Career

Laboratory Technician
£15k - £25k+

Food Scientist
£20k - £45k+

Microbiologist
£20k - £40k+



Clinical Scientist
£20k - £40k+

Exercise Physiologist
£18k - £35k+

Nutritionist
£19k- £35k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/science for more information



**INSPIRING
NURSE
EMILY**

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science

Career

Registered General Nurse at Chorley Hospital

Joined us from

Shevington High School

“Thanks to the support from my tutors, I achieved D*D*D*, which secured me a place at the University of Salford to study Nursing.”

“I now work as a Registered General Nurse at Chorley Hospital. Being able to study infections and diseases at College, was where it all began for me.”

Fire up your career!

Develop your experience and skills in the workplace with an apprenticeship. Earn while you learn, and gain a recognised qualification at College. See page 32 to find out how you could benefit from studying an apprenticeship route.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Applied Science

What will I study?

You will explore all aspects of science, from conducting practical experiments and hypotheses to investigating diseases, chemical reactions and medical physics.

Enhancing your knowledge of scientific theory will equip you for higher education and employment within the science sector.

What will I need?

You should have completed the level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Applied Science.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You may choose to progress on to University Centre St Helens to study FdSc Applied Microbiology, FdSc Exercise, Health and Fitness or HNC Applied Chemistry.

Level 3 National Foundation Diploma

Applied Science

What will I study?

This one-year course provides a strong introduction to scientific theory, whilst supporting you to develop practical and transferable skills, to enable you to progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science.

Based in our laboratories, you will gain insight from industry expert tutors whilst undertaking a variety of investigative projects and practical tasks such as chemical analysis, where you will synthesise and analyse aspirin.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths and science.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science.

ASPIRING BIOMEDICAL SCIENTIST

NATALIE

“The course gave me the best start to pursuing a career in science and allowed me to progress on to University Centre St Helens to study Applied Microbiology. I am now studying my master’s degree in cellular pathology at Manchester Metropolitan University. I hope to one day become a Biomedical Scientist.”

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science

University

Cellular Pathology at Manchester Metropolitan University

Joined us from

Wade Deacon High School



Connecting Classroom to Career



Read Natalie's story at
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Natalie



SPORT, EXERCISE, HEALTH AND FITNESS

Training in our exercise studio, gym and outdoor facilities, you will learn the theory and practice behind sport, exercise, health and fitness.

Whether you want to become a fitness instructor, personal trainer, community sports coach or PE teacher, this is the first step towards an exciting career.

Previous students have progressed to university, secured exciting new roles in the industry or have enhanced their performance competing globally for Team GB!

Connecting Classroom to Career

Nutritionist

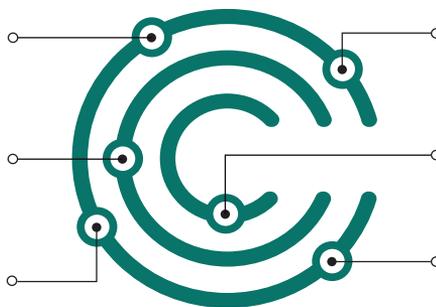
£24k - £37k+

Physiotherapist

£24k - £43k+

Sports Coach

£15k - £35k+



Exercise Physiologist

£18k - £35k+

Fitness Instructor

£14k - £30k+

Sports Therapist

£17k - £35k+

*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/sport for more information



ASPIRING SPORTS MESSAGE THERAPIST

AMY

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Exercise Science

University

Sports Therapy at University of Central Lancashire

Joined us from

Cowley International College

“I’ve been involved in sports since the age of 5 and was a national competing Rhythmic Gymnast for 11 years.”

“My course has helped me to build my physical abilities while developing my knowledge of sports massage and anatomy, as I hope to become a qualified Sports Massage Therapist.”

This is no average classroom!

You will have access to some amazing facilities to enable you to develop both your skills and physical fitness, such as our fully-equipped gym, exercise studio and the great outdoors!



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Sport and Physical Activity

What will I study?

During this advanced course, you will gain practical skills and an understanding of the sport and physical activity sector. A work placement within a sports setting will boost your experience, career prospects and university application.

You will learn everything there is to know about sports development, athlete lifestyles, fitness training and sports massage.

What will I need?

You should have successfully completed the level 3 Diploma in Sport and Physical Activity.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

You may choose to progress on to FdSc Exercise, Health and Fitness at University Centre St Helens.

Level 3 Diploma

Sport and Physical Activity

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will gain practical skills and experience to enable you to successfully launch your career in the industry.

Whilst exploring team sports and exercise for healthy living, you will develop your fitness levels and learn about exercise prescription and nutrition.

You will also enhance your coaching and leadership skills to help you excel in the field.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Physical Activity.



Life Fitness 95T

Level 2 Certificate

Activity Leadership (Sports Coaching)

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will learn what it takes to become a successful Sports Coach. You will develop essential coaching skills, with the opportunity to specialise in football and rugby.

You will learn how to plan and run your own sessions, which you will experience during work placements with children between the ages of six and 12.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Sport and Physical Activity. Alternatively, if you are looking to specialise in sports science such as exercise physiology, you may choose to progress on to the level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Applied Science.

Level 2 Certificate

Gym Instructing

What will I study?

With this one-year vocationally recognised qualification, you will gain a license to practice and develop essential knowledge of working and managing a leisure facility such as a gym.

You will learn about anatomy and physiology, how to successfully lead fitness sessions and how to plan an effective training programme for a client.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English or maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Sport and Physical Activity. Alternatively, if you are looking to specialise in sports science such as exercise physiology, you may choose to progress on to the level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Applied Science.



Industry Links



Hunt Personal Training

INSPIRING ATHLETE

EMMA

“I fell in love with sports after joining my first swim club at the age of 10. I now compete nationally for Team GB’s Age Group, Triathlon Team, where I recently won gold at the European Championships in Russia! My tutors have been great at supporting me and fitting in my studies around my training.”

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport and Physical Activity

Career

Inspiring Athlete with Team GB

Joined us from

De La Salle High School



Connecting **Classroom** to **Career**



GBR
AGE-GROUP
TEAM


BRITISH
TRIATHLON

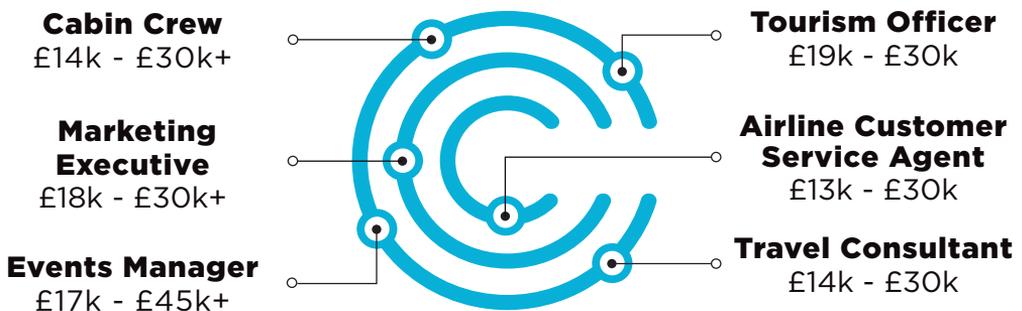


Airport operations, cabin crew and holiday representatives play an important role in the delivery of the customer experience, so you will learn all about different cultures and customs to provide a first class experience.

From work experience and water survival training to meeting big employers like Jet2.com, your course is enriched with lots of trips and activities.

Many of our students have progressed on to university, while others have secured employment with some of the world's top airlines, airports and tourism companies.

Connecting Classroom to Career



*Salary data collected from various sources, see page 150 for details, July 2020

• Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/travel for more information



ASPIRING TOURISM MANAGER

SOPHIE

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism

University

International Tourism Management at University of Northampton

Joined us from

Byrchall High school

“I loved studying Travel and Tourism! My dream is to travel the world and secure a managerial role within international business.”

“I’ve had some amazing experiences on the course, from working alongside the Eurocamp team in Holland, to globe trotting our way to Iceland to explore their bustling tourism industry.”

This is no average classroom!

You could take part in wet drill training, familiarisation flights, and trips in the UK and abroad, whilst gaining insight from guest speakers and developing your skills in our mock aircraft and baggage check-in desk.



Level 3 Extended Diploma

Travel and Tourism

What will I study?

During this advanced course, you will develop your awareness of the latest travel trends, both nationally and internationally and gain valuable work experience within the industry. You will also understand the importance of marketing and responsible tourism, and discover what it takes to become a successful holiday representative.

You will investigate the cruise industry and explore retail travel operations and events management.

What will I need?

You should have successfully achieved the level 3 Diploma in Travel and Tourism.

Progression

You could accrue up to **168 UCAS Tariff Points** to take you to university.

Alternatively, you could progress directly into employment.

Level 3 Diploma

Travel and Tourism

What will I study?

This one-year course is designed to help prepare you for a successful career in the travel industry. You will have the opportunity to enhance your knowledge and awareness of marketing and business within the international travel industry.

You will also explore areas of customer service and entertainment, whilst understanding the roles and responsibilities of overseas resort representatives and tour operations.

What will I need?

You should have five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism.



Olivia

Classroom

Level 3 Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism

Career

Travel Consultant, Hays Travel

Joined us from

The Deanery High School

Read her full story at:
www.sthelens.ac.uk/Olivia

Level 2 Diploma

Travel and Tourism

What will I study?

During this one-year course, you will enhance your knowledge of customer service and retail travel services while exploring visitor attractions and the role of resort representatives and tour operations.

You will also discover the importance of promotional activities in travel and tourism by conducting market research and creating effective promotional materials for target markets.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 3 Diploma in Travel and Tourism.

Level 2 Diploma

Cabin Crew

What will I study?

Throughout this one-year course, you may participate in a familiarisation flight with Jet2.com, spend time behind the scenes at international airports and develop your knowledge in our mock aircraft cabin.

You will also take part in emergency evacuations, fire and smoke cabin procedures, life raft simulation and safety demonstrations to prepare you for your career in the sky.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and maths. You will need to be aged 18 upon completion of this course.

Progression

You could progress directly into employment.

Level 2 Diploma

Aviation Environment

What will I study?

During this one-year course you will discover what it is like to work in passenger services, checking in and boarding passengers, in addition to providing dispatch, baggage and ramp services.

You will also have the opportunity to explore aircraft marshalling and understand how to load instruction reports alongside gaining insight from aviation professionals.

What will I need?

You should have four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Cabin Crew or progress directly into employment.

Level 1 Diploma

Travel and Tourism

What will I study?

This one-year course is a great introduction to the travel and tourism industry. You will explore the importance of customer service and the role of an overseas resort representative.

You will also have the opportunity to gain insight from experienced industry guest speakers and go on exciting trips to enhance your learning.

What will I need?

You do not need any formal qualifications, just a passion and commitment to your studies.

Progression

You could progress on to the level 2 Diploma in Travel and Tourism, the level 2 Diploma in Cabin Crew, or the level 2 Diploma in Aviation Environment.

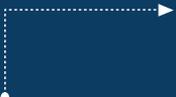
Industry Links

NEXT STEPS

So now it's all about you. After looking through this prospectus, you should start to get some kind of idea about what you would like to do once you have finished your GCSEs.

We have lots of events taking place so that you can explore your subject interests, chat to tutors and make your final decision.

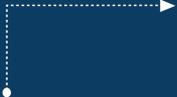
Find out what comes next and the steps that you need to take, in order to secure your place at St Helens College.



01

Open Event

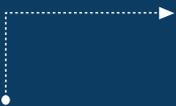
Our students often say to us that they found an **Open Event** incredibly helpful. So take their advice and explore student life at St Helens College.



02

Time To Choose

Once you've had a look through this prospectus and experienced an Open Event, you should have a clearer idea of what you want to study. If you are not sure, don't worry, we will provide lots of support and guidance to help you **make your decision**.



03

Submit Your Application

Now it's time to make your application. Visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/apply to **apply online!**

04

Interview Event

Once you have submitted your application form, you will then need to attend an **Interview Event**. You will meet your tutors, find out more about what you will study and secure your place ready for September. Find out more at www.sthelens.ac.uk/interview and book your interview slot.

05

Experience Day

Take Part in Experience Day in July. You will have the opportunity to make new friends on your course, get involved in fun activities in your subject choice and meet the tutors.

06

Enrolment

Once you have collected your GCSE results, come into College to **enrol on your course** and pick up any other information you might need such as financial support or help with your English and maths.

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YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE

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Interact with our tutors, and discover more about our impressive courses, student life and facilities.

WEDNESDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2020

THURSDAY 4TH FEBRUARY 2021

WEDNESDAY 16TH JUNE 2021

Please visit www.sthelens.ac.uk/openevents for further details.



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