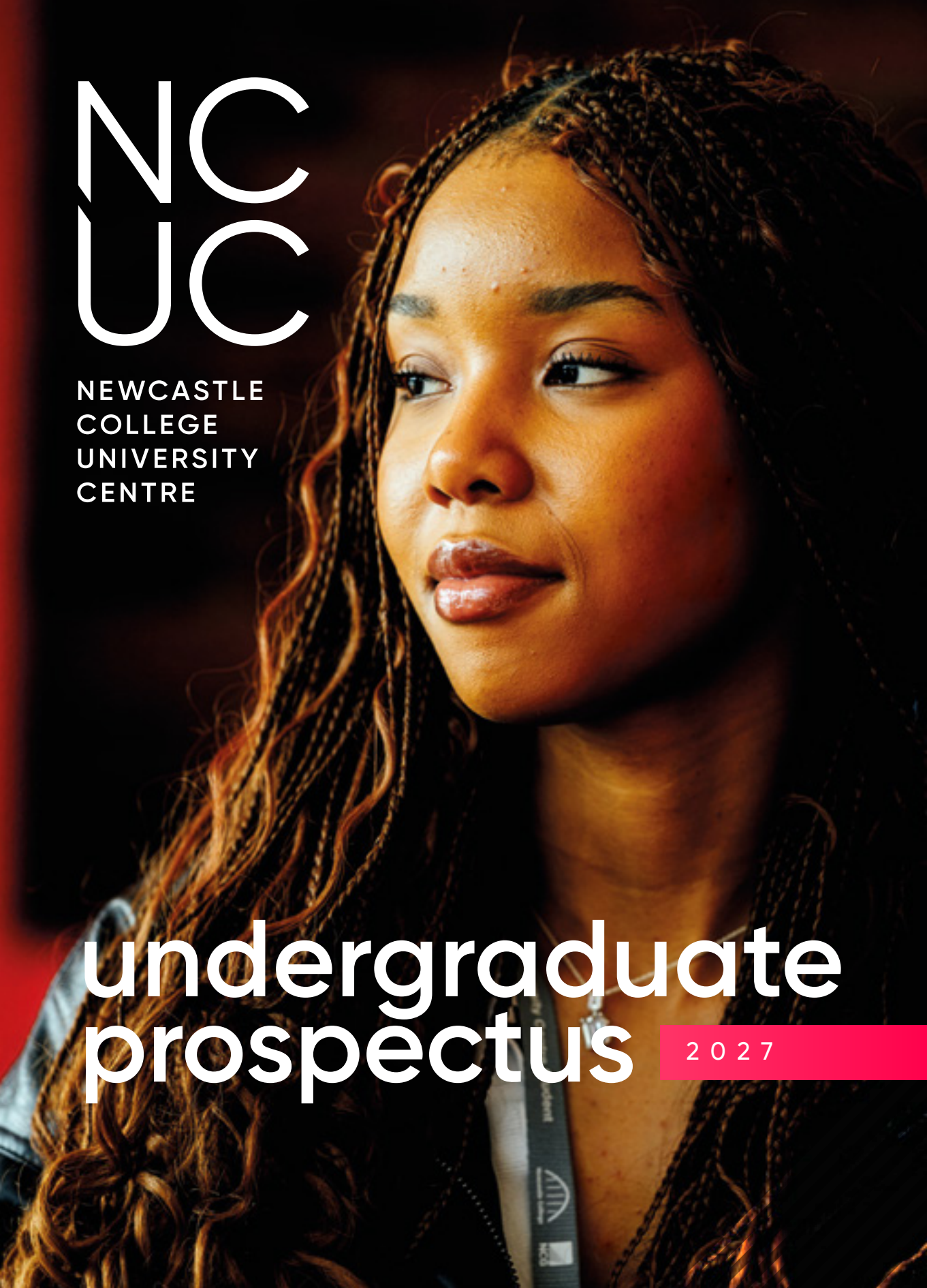

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welcome

Choosing where to invest in your higher education is an important decision. It shapes your professional direction, your character, friendships and networks that will remain with you long after graduation. At Newcastle College University Centre, our purpose is clear: to support student ambitions with the offer of high-quality teaching, real-world experience and a learning environment built around your goals.

As a Newcastle College University Centre student, you will be challenged academically and supported personally. Our programmes are designed with employers, shaped by industry standards, and delivered by experienced lecturers who bring contemporary insight into the classroom. You will study in industry-standard facilities and gain practical experience that is essential to becoming work-ready, confident and competitive in your chosen field.

We recognise that many of our students balance busy lives alongside their studies. Whether you are progressing from further education, returning to education after time in work, or building towards a new career path, you will be supported by a dedicated team committed to your success. This includes your Personal Tutor, specialist academic support and wellbeing services that are here to help you stay focused and motivated throughout your studies.

Newcastle College University Centre is about more than gaining a qualification. It is about building networks, developing your professional identity and preparing for the future you want. Many of our graduates go on to secure employment in the North East and beyond, progress to postgraduate study or continue to develop their expertise with us through our Master's Degree programmes.

If you would like to explore what studying with us could mean for you, our Student Services team can answer your questions, and our Open Events offer the opportunity to meet staff, tour our facilities and get a real sense of life at the University Centre.

I look forward to welcoming you to Newcastle College University Centre, and to supporting the next stage of your journey.

Jon Ridley
Principal, Newcastle College

our degrees

At Newcastle College University Centre we offer degree courses to help you realise your career aspirations. Industry-experienced tutors, exciting work placements, live briefs from industry and guest lectures are just some of the things you may experience when you study with us. We continually refresh and adapt the content of our degrees to ensure you study course content that meets the demands of industry.

Certificate in Higher Education

This higher education qualification is awarded after one year of full-time study. A Certificate in Higher Education aims to equip you with the knowledge, academic skills and contextualised understanding of theory, practice, trends and developments within the chosen subject area.

Foundation Degrees

A Foundation Degree is a two-year career focused qualification that is equivalent to the first two years of an Honours Degree. The aim of a Foundation Degree is to provide you with the employment skills and professional knowledge that you will need to work in your chosen sector.

After completing your two-year degree, you will have acquired a whole range of skills that will help you when it comes to finding employment. Alternatively, you may wish to progress onto a one-year Honours Degree (Top-Up) at Newcastle College University Centre.

Honours Degrees

We create, design and validate our own degree programmes, just like a university. We have a number of three-year Honours Degrees in a variety of subject areas, all of which aim to set you up for employment. With an Honours Degree, you will study for three years with us and on completion you can start your career in industry or pursue postgraduate studies.

Honours Degrees (Top-Ups)

We offer a wide range of one-year Honours Degree (Top-Ups), which offer natural progression from a Foundation Degree. These courses are a great way to build on what you have learnt during your Foundation Degree as well as achieving an Honours Degree qualification, to help you stand out in the competitive job market. Many of the Top-Up degrees that we offer allow you to specialise in a specific area, giving you a real edge on other graduates.

Degree Apprenticeships

A Degree Apprenticeship is typically a three-year work-based qualification that combines invaluable on-the-job work experience with an Honours Degree. Designed in partnership with employers, you will be in full-time employment and combine working with studying at Newcastle College University Centre. Degree Apprenticeships are a professional pathway for your career development. If you are in employment and wish to discover the benefits of a Degree Apprenticeship, get in touch with our Apprenticeships Team by emailing apprenticeships@ncl-coll.ac.uk

centre yourself

At Newcastle College University Centre we pride ourselves on delivering high-quality, practical education, enabling you to develop the professional skills demanded by industry. Our University Centre offers you a real alternative to university where you can study university-level degree courses that are designed in collaboration with employers. You'll be taught in smaller class sizes in specialist teaching facilities and have numerous opportunities to engage with employers to develop your professional skills.

Strong Industry Links

Our University Centre has strong links with local organisations and partners in the region, meaning you directly benefit from these relationships. Access to industry is a key focus for us and as a student you will benefit from valuable work placement opportunities, live briefs set by employers as well as industry insights from guest speakers. Many of our graduates have gone on to forge successful careers in the region due to these strong industry links.

Research and Scholarly Activity

We are proud of our vibrant academic community and place real emphasis on research, scholarship and professional practice. Throughout your time studying at Newcastle College University Centre, you will be offered numerous opportunities to undertake research projects, co-produce with peers and staff or undertake initial research-like activities within your discipline and across the University Centre.

Outstanding Student Support

Unlike a traditional university, our students are usually taught in smaller class sizes, which means you will benefit from more one-to-one support from your course tutors. We have a dedicated team of Academic Support Coaches who are there to help, guide and support you to make the most of your academic studies. Our Higher Education Support Team works with students who have a disability, specific learning difficulty, mental health difficulty or long-term medical condition. The team is there to support you to achieve, regardless of your circumstances.

Practical Learning

Unlike a traditional university you will be taught in a hands-on way, developing your skills inenvironments which replicate the workplace. This means that you gain the skills required by industry, ensuring you graduate ready for the world of work. Take a look at our fantastic facilities and learning environments on page 10.

Smaller Class Sizes

You will learn in a smaller class size compared to a university setting, benefiting from more one-to-one tutor support. Our students say that they enjoy learning in smaller class sizes as they get to know their tutor and classmates better and feel comfortable speaking out in class.

Dedicated Space for Higher Education

Our University Centre offers dedicated spaces for higher education students. Our HE Hub is an ideal place for you to study, socialise or collaborate with friends. You can also study in our new HE learning space on the ground floor of the HE Hub, The Turnbull Suite, with PCs, private meeting pods and seating space – perfect for group projects. The tenth floor of our Parsons Building is a great place to study with stunning views of the city too. It is fully equipped with PCs, break-out areas for group work and a chill-out area to relax in between studying. As a degree student, you will also have access to laptops and tablets for use on campus.

The smaller class sizes really appealed to me when I first applied. With fewer people in your lectures, everyone gets more individualised support and it's also a lot easier to talk to different people in your classes and find out more about each other.

Lucy Hall
Computing Student

get work ready

At Newcastle College University Centre we are committed to ensuring you are ready for the workplace by the time you graduate from your course. As part of our work experience opportunities you will benefit from:

- exciting work placement opportunities to gain valuable professional experience.
- guest lectures from employers with industry insight.
- opportunities to undertake additional qualifications alongside your degree course.
- the chance to gain membership of professional bodies and/or associations.
- industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- advice on CV building, interview tips and building a professional social media presence.
- networking events to meet prospective employers.
- accreditation from professional bodies.
- collaborative projects with students from other degree courses to get the most out of your learning experience.
- local, national and international field trips to enrich your studies.
- opportunities to exhibit at industry-relevant exhibitions to showcase your work.

higher technical qualifications

We offer a range of HTQs at the University Centre across Business, Children and Young People, Computing, Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law, Digital Arts, Health and Social Care, Hospitality, Performing Arts and Sport.

What is a higher technical qualification?

An HTQ is a quality mark by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education and is part of their focus to ensure Level 4 and Level 5 qualifications meet the needs of employers and learners.

Who are higher technical qualifications for?

Higher Technical Qualifications (HTQs) are for any student who is ready for higher education and wants to work in those technical sectors where they can go straight from Level 5 into a technical career such as a technician or early career managers.

HTQs are an alternative to apprenticeships or degrees. They may suit you if you want a more practical, employer-led study programme.

What are the benefits to employers?

There are many benefits to employers for hiring students with an HTQ. They include:

- helping to grow talent in the business and develop a skilled and qualified workforce
- employees who undertake HTQs will be challenged to deliver high quality work whilst learning and developing skills
- HTQs help the next workforce generation to advance in their careers with new skills and knowledge.

What higher technical qualification can I study?

You can study a range of degrees across Business, Children and Young People, Computing, Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law, Digital Arts, Health and Social Care, Hospitality, Performing Arts and Sport. They are:

- FdA Business Management
- FdA Children and Young People (Full-Time and Part-Time)
- FdA Culinary Arts (Full-Time and Part-Time)
- FdSc Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law
- FdA Film, TV and Media Production
- FdA Live Performance Technical Production
- FdSc Healthcare Practice
- FdSc Networking and Cyber Security
- FdSc Physical Education and Sports Coaching
- FdSc Software Engineering.

HIGHER TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION

Look out for this logo throughout the guide.

Click here to find out more about our higher technical qualifications.

investing in fantastic facilities

At Newcastle College University Centre, you'll learn in fantastic facilities designed to reflect the industries you'll work in. With more than £8 million recently invested in our higher education learning environments, and more investment planned, you'll benefit from industry-standard spaces, cutting-edge equipment and hands-on experiences that prepare you for success from day one.

We are committed to continued investment in our facilities to ensure a high-quality learning experience. Our learning environments mirror real workplaces, helping you develop the skills, confidence and professional behaviours needed to progress into employment or further study.

Whether you're coding in our immersive cyber security labs, exploring virtual reality in our XR suite, shooting and editing in our creative studios or getting to grips with the robotic arms in our Advanced Manufacturing Suite, you can be sure you're using the latest tools and technologies.

Click here to find out more about our fantastic facilities.

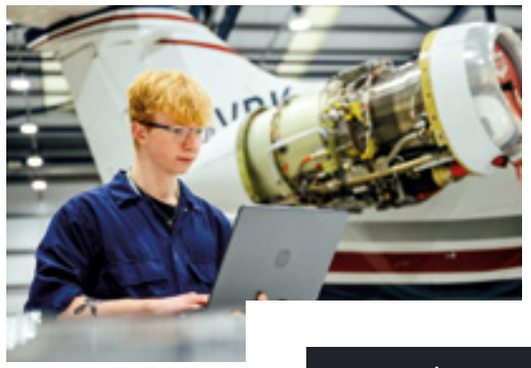
Aviation Academy

Based at Newcastle International Airport, our Aviation Academy offers a truly unique learning environment for aspiring aviation professionals.

We have invested in specialist aviation engineering facilities to ensure students learn using the same technologies and systems found across the sector. These include engineering workshops, a dedicated avionics laboratory and a 1,500m^2 aircraft hangar housing a range of training aircraft, including Jet Provost aircraft, a BAE Jetstream 31 and our own Boeing 737.

As part of a £2 million investment in advanced STEM equipment and aviation technology, the academy also welcomed a Beechcraft Premier 1 business jet, providing access to modern avionics systems and aircraft technologies used within the industry.

Students also benefit from Computer-Based Training (CBT) suites, avionic simulators and a specialist training aircraft with a fully operational cockpit and gas turbine engines, ensuring they develop the technical expertise and confidence required by employers.



Lifestyle Academy

Our Lifestyle Academy provides specialist training environments for students studying Hospitality, Tourism, Aesthetics and Make-Up, designed to reflect the standards and expectations of the industry.

Hospitality and Tourism students train in professional kitchens and restaurants, developing practical skills in environments that mirror real industry settings. Facilities include five training kitchens, along with two fully operational restaurants: The Chefs' Academy, our AA College Rosette 'Highly Commended' restaurant open to the public, and The Bistro, a busy training restaurant serving daily breakfast and lunch service.

Our Hospitality facilities hold Gold Centre of Excellence status for Food and Beverages and for Patisserie and Confectionery, recognising the high standard of training available.

Aesthetics and Make-Up students train in The Retreat, our commercial salon and spa, working with real clients to develop confidence and industry-ready skills. Specialist facilities include a commercial salon and nail bar, dedicated treatment rooms, a holistic training floor, and advanced equipment such as Energist VPL, microdermabrasion and CACI systems.

Through strong employer links and industry-informed teaching, students are fully prepared for careers across hospitality, beauty, wellness and advanced aesthetics.

Mandela (School of Art and Design)

A purpose-built centre for innovation and creativity, our Mandela Building is where our Art and Design and Digital Arts students hone their skills.

Students have access to specialist drawing, painting and sculpture studios, fashion and Mac suites, textile workshops, gallery spaces and one of the North East's most impressive digital photography facilities.

As part of a significant programme of investment, more than £1 million has been invested in the building's Digital Hub and wider learning environments. Recent enhancements include upgraded creative studios, an enhanced CAD suite, a new photography studio, modernised computer suites and updated equipment across specialist workshop spaces.

The building is also home to a range of advanced digital technologies, including:

- Cyber security laboratories
- Immersive technology laboratories
- A 4m 3D Powerwall
- XR visualisation facilities
- Virtual reality technologies
- Motion and performance capture systems
- Blackmagic production cameras
- Interactive Clevertouch screens

These investments ensure students learn using the same technologies shaping today's creative and digital industries.

Energy Academy

North East Mayoral Strategic Authority | **Kim McGuinness** North East Mayor

Located in Wallsend on the north bank of the River Tyne, our Energy Academy sits at the heart of one of the UK's most important energy regions. Developed in partnership with industry, the academy provides specialist training and higher-level qualifications for the offshore, subsea, renewables and wider energy sectors.

The academy features state-of-the-art engineering workshops, welding and fabrication facilities, Computer-Aided Design (CAD) suites and the world's most advanced Immersive Hybrid Reality (iHR) offshore wind training facility. Students also benefit from access to solar photovoltaic systems, electric vehicle technologies, wind turbine training equipment, autonomous inspection robots, industrial drones and subsea inspection vehicles.

Investing in the Future of Energy

Be the first to study at our brand-new multi million pound facility.

Funded by North East Mayor Kim McGuiness and the North East Mayoral Strategic Authority (North East MSA), our brand-new Energy Academy is being developed in partnership with North Tyneside Council and Shepherd Offshore. The expanded Academy is designed to support students into roles in the region's growing energy sector with more than 25,000 new jobs expected to be created by 2035.

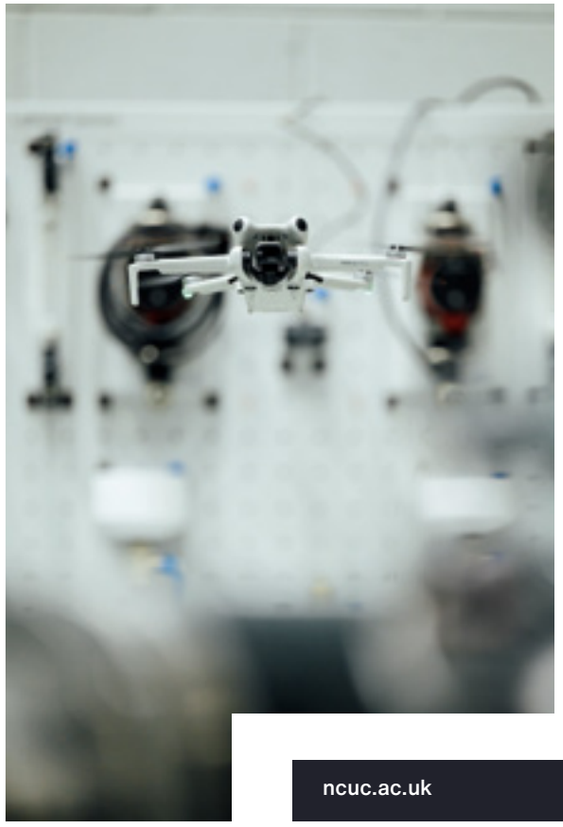
Newcastle College will also become the only training provider in the UK to offer green skills training from entry level through to postgraduate study.

An £8.48 million investment from the North East MSA has been approved to expand the Energy Academy. The development will double the existing floorspace and triple the number of students able to study at the facility each year. With this development, Newcastle College's Energy Academy will secure its place as a leading provider in the fastest growing industry in the North East. From school leavers to industry professionals looking to upskill, our expert technical knowledge, industry-led curriculum and practical training in world-class facilities will help power the energy workforce along the Tyne and beyond.

Upon completion of the Energy Academy expansion into our second facility (EA2), the Energy Academy will offer industry-standard training facilities in disciplines at the cutting edge of the renewables industry, including:

- welding and fabrication.
- wind turbine maintenance.
- subsea and offshore inspection.
- carbon capture.
- hydrogen storage technologies.
- battery storage.

artist's impression of EA2



Parsons

The Parsons Building brings together specialist facilities for students studying Children and Young People, Health and Social Care, and Science.

Designed to replicate professional environments, the building enables students to apply their knowledge through practical learning experiences that reflect real-world settings.

Children and Young People students benefit from simulated early years environments and a dedicated multi-sensory room designed to support learning around special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

Health and Social Care students have access to outstanding clinical simulation facilities, including fully functioning hospital wards, paediatric and intensive care units, advanced patient simulators and specialist ageing simulation equipment.

Science students develop practical laboratory skills in modern science laboratories, microbiology analysis facilities and specialist instrumentation centres.

Performance Academy

Our Performance Academy is a creative hub where talent, innovation and performance come together. Home to Music, Performing Arts and Media students, it provides professional-standard environments designed to reflect the creative industries.

We have invested in specialist performance and production facilities, enabling students to develop their skills in authentic, industry-style settings. These include a 200-seat theatre, professional music venue, recording studios, radio station, acting and dance studios, media production suites and a 4K television studio with full pre- and post-production capability.

Through ongoing investment in creative technologies and production spaces, students gain the practical experience, confidence and technical ability needed for careers in the creative sector.

Rail and Civil Engineering Academy

Located in Gateshead, our Rail and Civil Engineering Academy provides a specialist training environment designed to replicate the infrastructure and systems used throughout the rail and civil engineering industries.

Students benefit from access to indoor and outdoor overhead line facilities, signalling and mechanical workshops, level crossing systems, soils laboratories and dedicated civil engineering learning environments.

Rutherford

The Rutherford Building is the home of Engineering at Newcastle College University Centre and has benefited from substantial investment to create modern, industry-focused learning environments.

Recent investments include a state-of-the-art Advanced Manufacturing Suite, a dedicated design suite equipped with 3D printers and an upgraded fabrication workshop featuring the latest engineering equipment.

Students also benefit from updated electronic and electrical training facilities, including Three-Phase trainers, new manual lathes and milling machines, and industry-standard physics equipment used in mechanical science applications.

student wellbeing and mental health support

At Newcastle College University Centre we take the wellbeing of our students seriously.

Making sure we know what support is available and where we can get help is really important. Sometimes you just want some tips on how to unwind or switch off from your studies, and sometimes you may feel like you need some more support.

That's why, as a student at Newcastle College University Centre, you'll have access to help and support throughout your studies. We want to make sure you have the best possible experience with us, and that includes supporting you and your wellbeing whilst you study with us.

We aim to provide every student with an outstanding experience. Our Central Support Service (CSS) offers a range of services including support around mental health from our dedicated Wellbeing Team who support, advise and provide guidance for students on their wellbeing.

This could include:

- support for low level concerns or situational stress such as exam anxiety
- provision of an Inclusion Plan which advises on reasonable adjustments
- study assistance support on a one-to-one or small group basis
- signposting and liaising with external specialist services
- mental health first aid for students in distress.

Counselling Team

We provide a safe and private space for students to openly explore issues they may be experiencing. Counselling sessions normally last around 50 minutes and all information that is discussed is treated confidentially in accordance with the British Association of Counsellors and Psychotherapists (BACP).

Newcastle College University Centre Teams Channel

This specially-created channel on Microsoft Teams provides helpful advice for looking after your mental health (which you can access when you start your degree). As a degree student at Newcastle College University Centre, you will be able to access this channel and get tips on how to look after your mental health during your studies, as well as finding out who you can contact if you ever need extra support.

Urgent Support

If you ever feel like you need urgent assistance, we can provide contact details of organisations who can support you when in need. Your wellbeing is important to us, and as a student at Newcastle College University Centre we will do our utmost to ensure that you always feel supported.

experiences of a lifetime

At Newcastle College University Centre, your education goes far beyond the classroom. As part of your studies, you could take part in unforgettable international experiences that not only enhance your learning but also empower you to make a real difference in the world.

Many of our degree programmes offer the chance to travel abroad, whether through study trips, work placements, or voluntary projects, giving you the opportunity to grow personally and professionally while exploring new cultures.

One of the most inspiring opportunities is our annual volunteering trip to South Africa. Each year, a select group of students and staff travel to rural KwaZulu-Natal to work with the Bambisanani Partnership, spending three life-changing weeks supporting children and young people in the community of Eshowe.

As part of the team, you'll lead sports activities and deliver leadership workshops in local schools and orphanages, helping young people build confidence, communication skills and teamwork. It's a powerful way to use sport as a force for good, while developing your own leadership and coaching abilities.

This is more than just a trip, it's a once-in-a-lifetime experience that will stay with you forever. You'll return with new perspectives, lifelong memories and skills that will set you apart in your future career.

Places are limited, but if you're passionate about working with young people, have a flair for leadership, and want to be part of something truly meaningful, you'll have the chance to apply during your time with us.

This trip has been so life-changing and humbling. Seeing how people truly live in rural areas has been incredibly eye-opening. I've enjoyed every moment and made friends and memories I'll never forget.

Emily Drummond
Hospitality and Tourism Student

student life on campus

Students' Union

When you enrol onto a degree course at Newcastle College University Centre, you automatically become a member of Newcastle College University Centre Students' Union, an affiliated member of the National Union of Students (NUS). You can apply for an NUS Totum card entitling you to a number of fantastic discounts in shops, restaurants and services nationwide. The Students' Union has 10 different officer roles available to you as a student. These officers help with the running of the Students' Union (SU) as a fair and exciting organisation and represent you around LGBT+ issues, disabilities, higher education and welfare. Officers are elected into post bi-annually by students so make sure you look out for the elections - maybe you will be the next Students' Union President! Come and visit our dedicated SU Office in the library main space for more information.

Student welfare is an extremely important part of the work of the Students' Union too. We are here to help and support you in any way possible and both staff and student executives are on hand to offer advice. Should you find yourself in an academic dispute, we are able to support you through the process of this too. We also work closely with Newcastle College Central Support Team (CSS) including specialist higher education learning mentors, Safeguarding and counsellors to offer you advice and guidance on any issues you may be experiencing.

Freshers' Fair

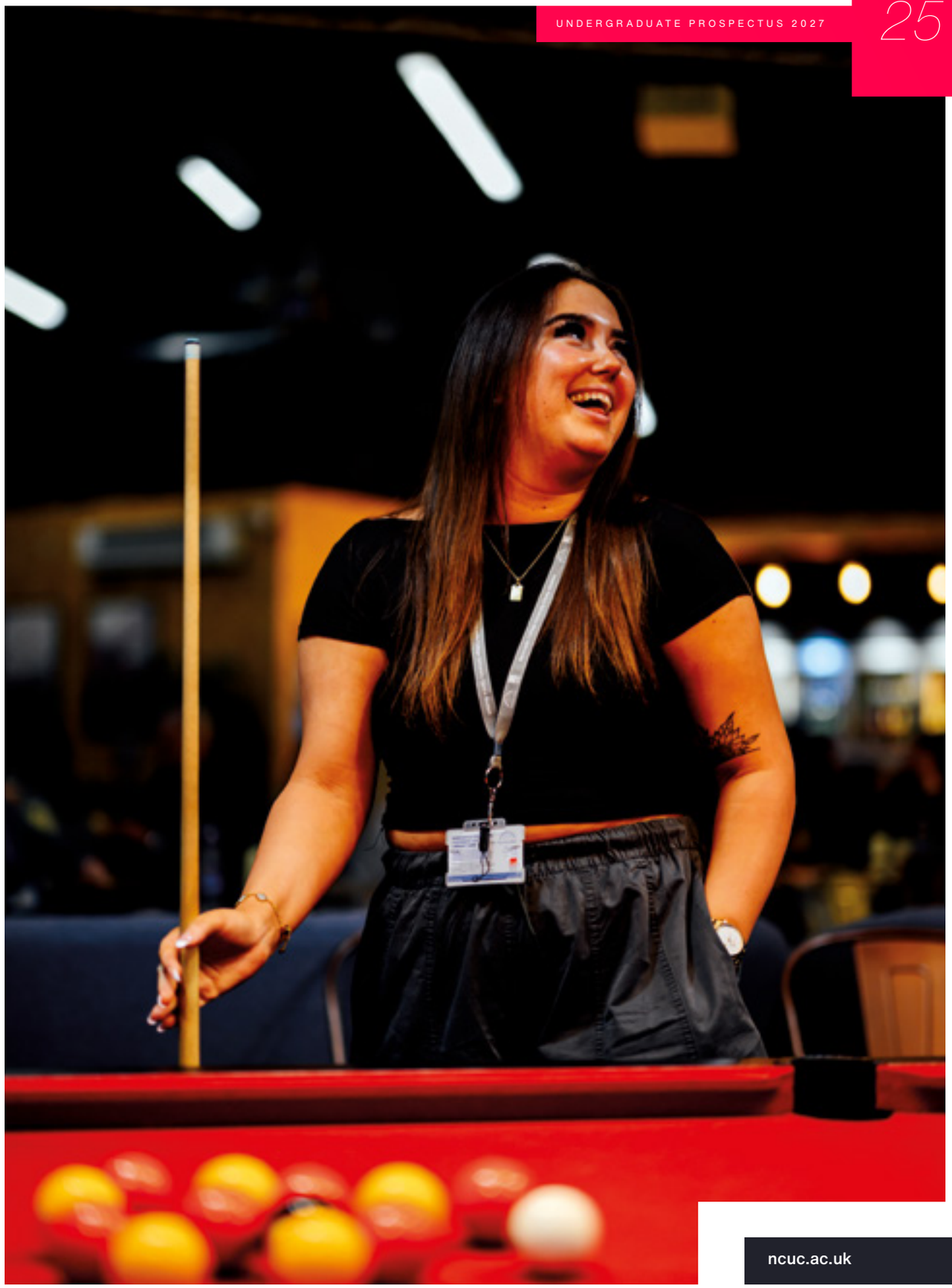
The Freshers' Fair is your introduction to undergraduate life at Newcastle College University Centre. It is also a chance to find out what the Students' Union can offer you, as well as discounts you can take advantage of by being an NUS Totum card holder. There are lots of social activities taking place throughout the week and freebies on offer so it's not one to be missed!

Clubs and Societies

Clubs and societies are a great way to meet new people and get involved in a range of activities. We encourage students to develop ideas and we may be able to support you in starting your own club or society. We also work closely with other Students' Unions in the local area so that you are able to access some of their facilities.

Work out, relax and unwind

As a degree student you'll have free access to our on-site gym, housing a range of cardio and weights machines, perfect for lunch breaks or after your studies. You can also treat yourself to some relaxation time in The Retreat, our beauty salon, which is located in the Lifestyle Academy. A range of treatments are available including facials, eye and nail treatments, waxing, massage and spa treatments. There is also a hair salon on site.



students in partnership

Throughout your course you will be part of a vibrant academic community that values research, scholarship and professional practice. Degree courses at Newcastle College University Centre embrace the concept of Students in Partnership and research-engaged teaching and learning. This means you will be offered opportunities to undertake research or research-like activities within your discipline and across the University Centre. A great way to meet new people, make a positive impact on student life and enhance your CV.

Student Engagement

We actively encourage students to work in partnership with members of staff to enhance the learning experience of all our University Centre students. You will be given the opportunity to take a proactive role in the decision-making process that helps shape the curriculum.

Student participation is encouraged through:

- the Student Voice system which enables student representatives to provide feedback from students and to work collaboratively with staff, including the Senior Leadership Team, to ensure the University Centre provides the best experience for all students.
- Student Fellowships, which are paid opportunities for students, and can include research-led projects, events management and membership of various committees and panels.
- the 360 Project: Inclusivity Council: This council is student-led and creates activities to promote inclusion, diversity, equality and accessibility on campus.

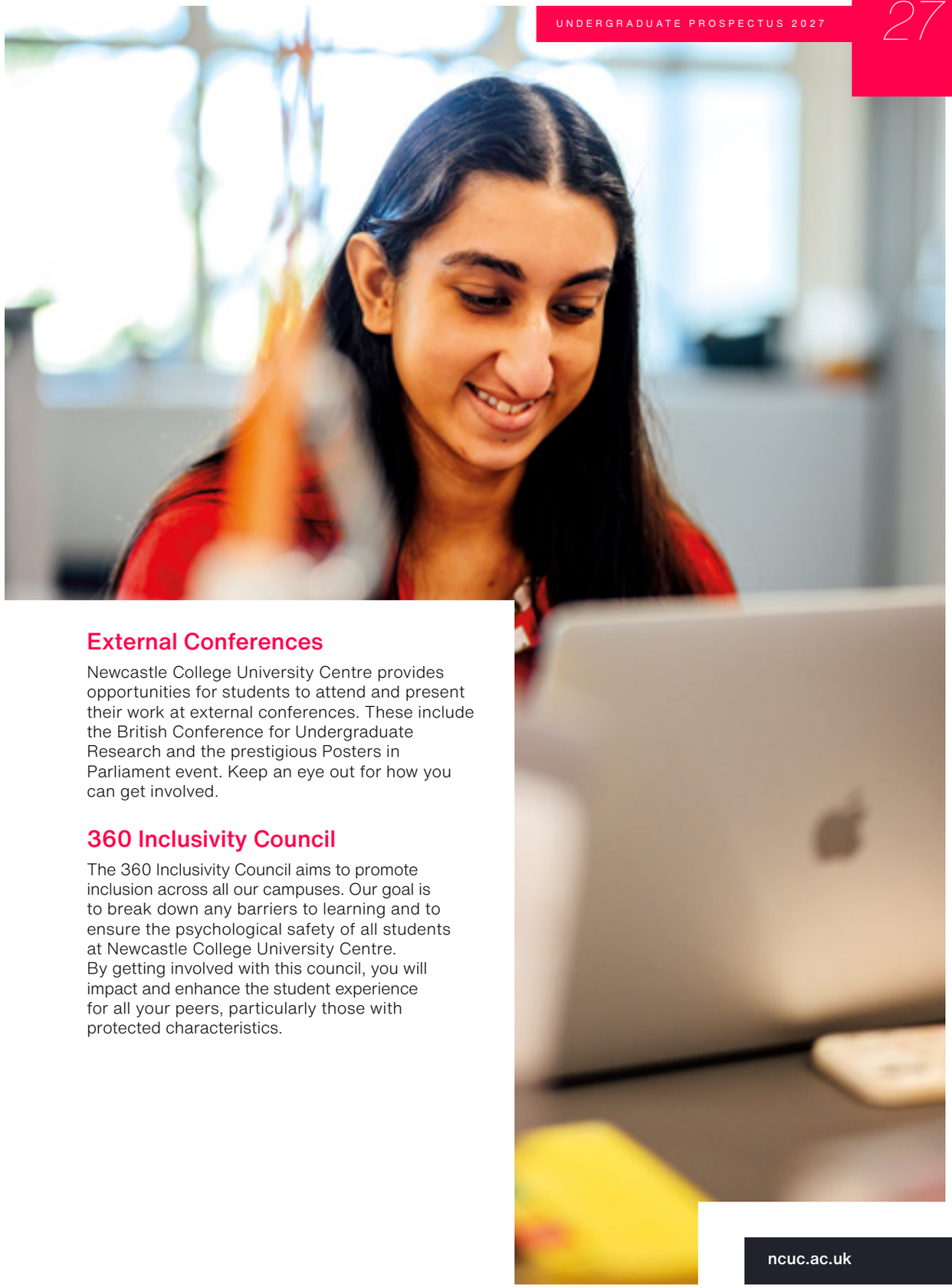
Through a Student Fellowship, you can gain skills and experience beyond the curriculum. Our student fellows can receive up to £1,000 per academic year* and work on extracurricular enhancement projects in partnership with staff.

Student Publications

There is a range of opportunities to become part of our publications before you finish your degree and all of our publications are entirely student-led. Seven Bridges is our multi-disciplinary academic journal which provides an opportunity for you to publish research in the form of papers, posters, case studies and abstracts. Folio showcases our creative disciplines and publishes a selection of work from across our Creative Industries, featuring original artwork from art and design, photography, illustration and more. Both of our publications are published annually every summer and each issue is available online and in print.

Student Conference

As a student at Newcastle College University Centre you will be able to participate in our annual Higher Education Student Conference. This conference gives you the chance to develop your presentation skills, showcase your research to fellow students, staff and partners and celebrate your achievements at the end of the academic year.



External Conferences

Newcastle College University Centre provides opportunities for students to attend and present their work at external conferences. These include the British Conference for Undergraduate Research and the prestigious Posters in Parliament event. Keep an eye out for how you can get involved.

360 Inclusivity Council

The 360 Inclusivity Council aims to promote inclusion across all our campuses. Our goal is to break down any barriers to learning and to ensure the psychological safety of all students at Newcastle College University Centre.
By getting involved with this council, you will impact and enhance the student experience for all your peers, particularly those with protected characteristics.

student support

Our support services are here to offer advice and support to students when they need it. We are committed to providing an inclusive educational environment and offer support for students to ensure that the University Centre is a safe and positive learning environment for all.

Learning Support

The Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) Team works with students who have a disability, specific learning difference, mental health difficulty or long-term medical condition.

Support may include:

- provision of an Inclusion Plan which advises on reasonable adjustments
- study assistance support on a one-to-one or small group basis
- support with personal care needs and accessibility
- Disabled Students' Allowances (DSA) advice and guidance
- Alternative Assessment Plans
- exam access arrangements
- support from our Life Skills Hub.

Student Services

Our Student Services Team provides impartial information, advice and guidance on course, finance and welfare issues such as:

- advice on progression routes
- accommodation options
- individual course and finance advice appointments
- finance and money management advice
- learner support fund assessments, including hardship
- signposting to careers information, advice and guidance
- DBS checks.

Academic Support Coaches

We have a highly skilled team of Academic Support Coaches who are there to support you with all your academic needs. You can pop in to see them or book a one-to-one meeting. They can support you with skills such as:

- academic writing skills
- proofreading
- referencing
- critical thinking
- presentation skills.

Learning Mentors

Learning Mentors can work with you on a wide range of issues including health, wellbeing and signposting to external services and support, including:

- mental health issues
- organisation and time management
- personal issues.

We also provide support for care-experienced students, young adult carers, student parents and pregnant students.

Libraries Team

The Libraries Team offers group workshops and one-to-one academic support on a drop in basis. Topics available include:

- plagiarism and copyright
- essay writing and structuring dissertations
- Harvard referencing
- literature review, research methods and research skills
- revision and exam preparation.

On-site Nursery

Newcastle College Day Nursery is our on-campus nursery for children aged 0-5 years, which is rated 'Outstanding' by Ofsted in our most recent inspection. Our stimulating, safe and nurturing 'home away from home' is open Monday to Friday, 8.30am – 5.15pm.

To find out more, head to:
www.ncuc.ac.uk/industry-leading-facilities/newcastle-college-day-nursery

Careers and Employability Support

The HE Careers and Employability Team support students by increasing their confidence and knowledge around their own individual employability and career management skills, whether this is working for an organisation or setting up their own business.

The team can help with:

- developing career plans
- one-to-one support and workshops about career management and employability skills
- how to search for jobs
- CV, cover letter and personal statement guidance
- interview skills.

You will be able to access support and guidance from the HE Careers and Employability Team for one year after graduation too.

Please contact our Central Support Service (CSS) for more information on the support available:
css@ncl-coll.ac.uk
www.ncuc.ac.uk/support

Steppin' Up to a degree with NCUC

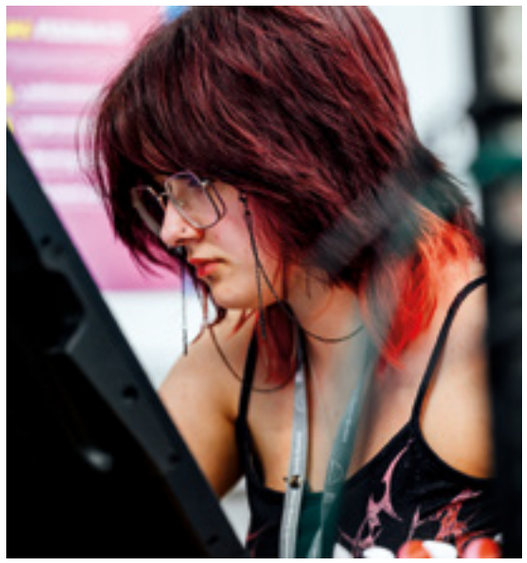
Many of our students choose to continue their education with us and study at our University Centre once they have completed their Level 3 qualification. Upon completion they choose to progress their studies to undergraduate level to equip them with enhanced skills and knowledge before they pursue their chosen career.

If you are a current Newcastle College student and successfully meet the published Level 3 entry requirements in an appropriate subject(s), you will be guaranteed a place on a relevant course.

This means you can build on your studies in your chosen area alongside friends and tutors you already know. You will continue to have access to industry-recognised facilities and learn in smaller class sizes, making your experience with us as enjoyable as possible.

We'd love to see you Step Up with us too.

If you are currently studying at Newcastle College and wish to apply for a full-time Foundation Degree, Honours Degree (Top-Up) or three-year Honours Degree you can apply to us directly on our website. Just click 'Apply Now' on the degree of your choice and choose the 'Are you a current Newcastle College student?' option.



tuition fees and financial support

Tuition Fees

Our Tuition Fee for full-time undergraduate UK and EU students studying a degree starting in 2027* will be £9,790 per year. There may be additional costs associated with your course such as field trips, equipment and printing. You can find out what's included in your Tuition Fee on our website and further information will be outlined by your tutor. You can choose to pay your tuition fees upfront or take out a Tuition Fee Loan from the Student Loans Company, which currently defers payment until you earn over £25,000 per year after you graduate. You can apply for student finance by registering your details at www.gov.uk/student-finance or alternatively you can apply for student finance on your UCAS application form.

Government Maintenance Loan

A Government Maintenance Loan is available to help with your living costs. The amount you can borrow depends on where you live, study and your household income. The maximum Government Maintenance Loan that will be available if you live at home will be up to £9,118 and £10,830 if you are living away from home.**

Newcastle College Cash Bursary

A cash bursary of £1,000 will be offered to new full-time undergraduate home students paying full fees and who meet certain criteria. Eligibility to receive the bursary will be determined by their entitlement to elements of the Student Loan Company's finance packages (i.e. full Maintenance Loan) and will be revisited using this criteria annually.

The bursary is available for each year of the degree course and will help those students most in need with the costs associated with studying a degree, whether it's for accommodation, course materials or anything else that helps them with their studies.

Higher Education Hardship Fund

The Higher Education Hardship Fund may be available to full-time and part-time students who are experiencing financial disadvantages. We will assess student need for financial assistance before determining whether to award financial support. The funding allocated from the Higher Education Hardship Fund is a discretionary award and is conditional on a minimum attendance of 90%.

Engagement Bursary

The Engagement Bursary supports our students' engagement with their studies. Students at Level 4 and Level 5 (who meet certain criteria) with a minimum of 90% attendance can apply to receive a £550 cash bursary.

**You should expect to pay tuition fees for every year in attendance and be aware these fees may increase annually. On the basis of current Government guidance any increase is unlikely to exceed the increase in inflation by reference to the Retail Price Index (RPI). **Please check www.gov.uk/studentfinance for most up-to-date information on student loans.*

your journey to studying with us

1

March – September 2026

View our degree courses on our website or via the Course Finder at ucas.com. You can also visit one of our monthly Open Events or you can contact us directly if you have any queries by emailing **HErecruitment@ncl-coll.ac.uk**

2

September 2026

UCAS begins to accept applications for undergraduate courses starting in September 2027. We also begin to accept applications from our current students directly.

3

13 January 2027

The deadline for applications made through UCAS is 13 January 2027. However, you can apply directly to us after this date. Visit our website after this date for further information.

4

January – March 2027

If you've applied for a course before the UCAS January deadline, you will receive a response from us before the end of March. Some of our degree courses require you to attend an interview or an audition or produce a portfolio before an offer is made.

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March 2027

Begin to apply for your student finance. Further information can be found at gov.uk/studentfinance

6

March – July 2027

When you accept your offer you will be sent more information about your studies with us. We will tell you everything you need to know about starting your course.

7

July – August 2027

If we have made you a conditional offer based on you achieving a certain level of grades, and you meet these requirements, we will confirm your place.

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September 2027

Your exciting journey with Newcastle College University Centre begins!

use your experience

Recognise Me is a unique online service that considers your previous work experience and skills and analyses whether you may be exempt from studying certain modules of your degree, saving you valuable study time.

The service allows us to assess whether your experience in your job, previous qualifications or training can be translated into module credits (the elements that make up a degree course).

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

The process of linking your previous skills and experience to university credit is referred to as Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) and gives you the opportunity to gain recognition of your achievements outside of the classroom. If you would like to make an RPL claim, your tutor will inform you of the process.

part-time study

We offer a range of study modes which means you can study in a flexible way that fits around your current commitments. So whether you are looking to upskill in your current role, or retrain to pursue a new career, you can study in a way that best suits your needs.

Evening Study

This mode of study is ideal for those who may be working full-time but would like to study a degree in the evening. Classes are typically three hours in duration and twice a week.

Module Study

We understand you may not be able to commit to studying a full Foundation or Honours Degree, but you may wish to study certain modules of a programme. This mode of study allows you to select the modules that are most relevant to your continuous professional development (CPD).

Day Release

This enables those who are in full-time employment to study a degree one day a week.

Competitive Tuition Fees

Our tuition fee for a part-time undergraduate degree starting in 2027* is £4,895 per year.

If you are studying your first degree you are likely to qualify for a Tuition Fee Loan to help cover the cost. This loan is not based on household income and there's no upper age limit for applying. To check your eligibility visit: **www.gov.uk/studentfinance**

How To Apply

Applications for part-time degrees are made through our website and not UCAS. You will be asked to include a personal statement, details of previous employment history and give details of a referee. Once you have applied, you will be contacted by a course team member to discuss your interest further.

**You should expect to pay tuition fees for every year in attendance and be aware these fees may increase annually. On the basis of current Government guidance any increase is unlikely to exceed the increase in inflation by reference to the Retail Price Index (RPI).*

our alumni

Newcastle College University Centre (NCUC) has a proud history of supporting students to gain the skills, confidence and experience they need to take their next step. Our University Centre has welcomed learners from across the region and beyond, offering career-focused degrees shaped around industry needs and delivered in a supportive, hands-on environment.

Our alumni community is made up of thousands of former students who have gone on to achieve incredible things in their careers - from health professionals and engineers to media creatives, educators and business leaders. Their journeys inspire our current students and demonstrate what's possible with determination, passion and the right support.

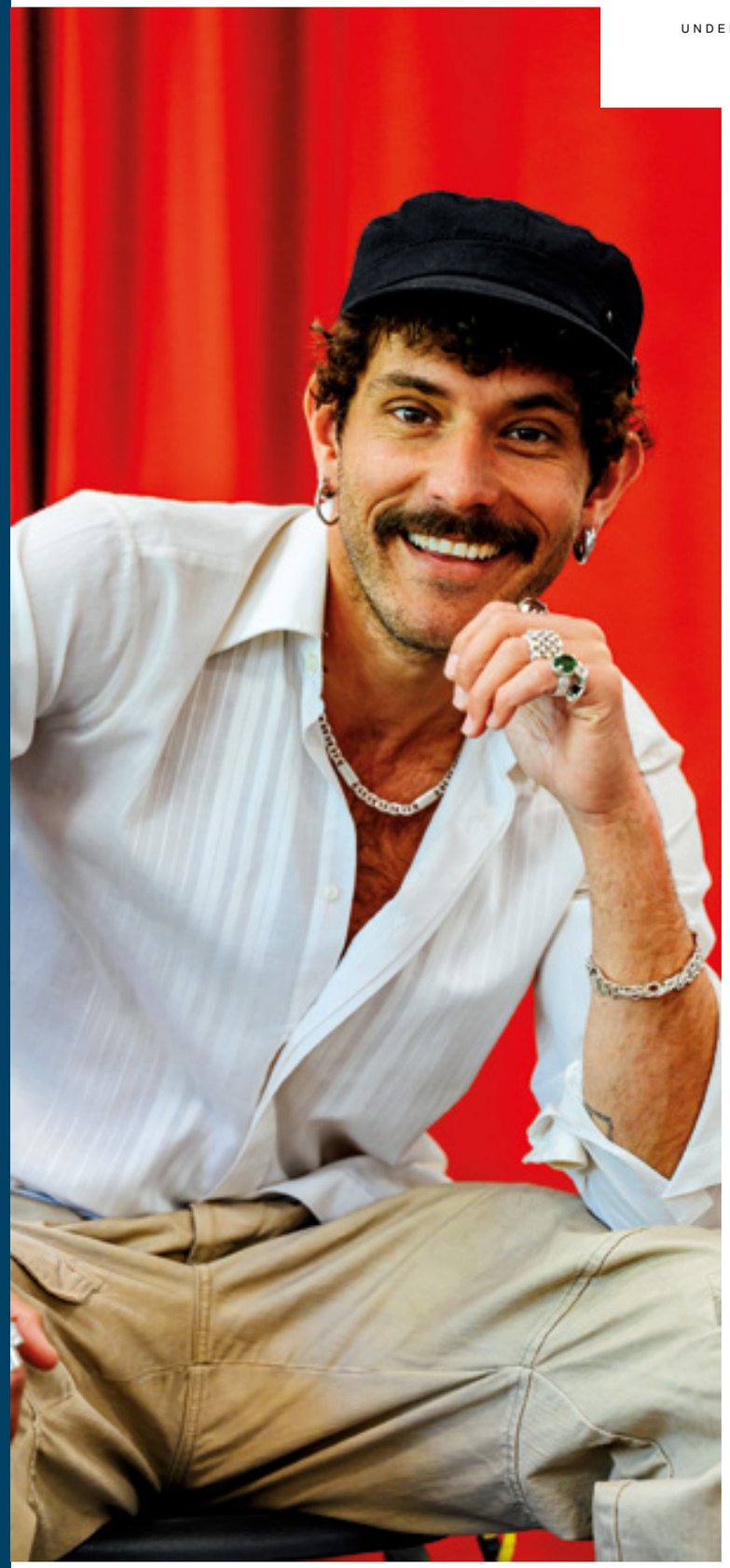
Hear Molly's story!
Click here to find out more from our Health alumni, Molly Howourth, on how her experience at Newcastle College University Centre has helped her gain the skills and knowledge she needs for a successful career.

I chose to study at Newcastle College University Centre because of its strong reputation for hands-on, industry-focused learning. The Aviation Academy, based at Newcastle International Airport, stood out to me as it offered essential practical experience in a real hangar environment – something that's invaluable for anyone looking to enter the aviation industry.

Beyond the facilities, I was drawn to the supportive learning environment and the opportunity to learn from lecturers with real-world aircraft maintenance experience. Their insights, combined with practical experience on actual training aircraft, provided a solid foundation that helped me transition seamlessly into my career.

Newcastle College University Centre was the perfect choice for me because it didn't just focus on academic knowledge but also equipped me with the technical skills and problem-solving mindset that I use every day in my role.

Robert Head
BSc (Hons) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering Alumni



The University Centre prepared me for the industry incredibly well. In our final year, we even had Cynthia Erivo come in and work with us, which was such an inspiring experience. Looking back, I literally don't think I'd be touring the world as Fierro in Wicked if I hadn't walked through the doors of Newcastle College University Centre.

The opportunities, training and support I received here shaped my career. Without Newcastle College University Centre, I wouldn't be where I am today.

Michael Mather
Performing Arts Alumni

education and teacher training

Newcastle College University Centre has an excellent reputation for teacher training. We offer both full-time and part-time courses that fully meet the requirements for Initial Teacher Training for the education of people aged 14 years and over. Our Diploma of Higher Education and PgCE programmes are mapped to national standards too.

Diploma of Higher Education: Teaching in Further Education

This course is aimed at those wishing to pursue a career in teaching, offering you the opportunity to work towards a professional teaching qualification. You will increase your knowledge of various teaching approaches and techniques as well as developing the skills and confidence you need to become a competent and reflective teacher in further education. This programme involves a minimum of 150 hours of teaching practice and can be studied part-time over two years.

Professional Graduate Certificate in Education: Teaching in Further Education

Our Level 6 programmes are aimed at graduates who are either currently in or seeking to pursue a career in the post-compulsory education sector. These programmes have been informed by the most recent developments in educational research and government policy and will help you to develop the skills you need to become an effective teacher and develop postgraduate-level research skills. These programmes involve a minimum 150 hours of teaching practice and can be studied full-time (one-year) or part-time (two years). We offer this degree for teachers of all courses, as well as having three specialist PgCE programmes for those interested in English, Maths or SEND.

BA (Hons) Education and Professional Development (Top-Up)

This course offers a progression route from our Foundation Degree programmes and other Level 5 post-compulsory teaching qualifications. It is aimed at teaching professionals and managers working in the education sector.

The course has a wide variety of modules which provide opportunities to research specialist areas across a range of educational contexts. It allows education professionals to develop in-depth knowledge and a critical understanding of educational research and policy, to apply principled approaches to researching professional environments and to advance their professional practice. This programme is studied on a part-time basis over two years.

Continuous Professional Development (CPD)

We offer two degree courses aimed at those who are already working within the education sector and wish to broaden their professional knowledge.

MEd Education and Professional Development

This postgraduate programme aims to equip educational professionals with the skills to conduct independent research relating to a particular area of study or interest in their working environment or the wider education sector. Undertaking this programme has enhanced the career paths of past students. Core modules develop students' criticality and research skills whilst elective modules allow opportunities to investigate specialist areas.

The course is aimed at teachers, teacher trainers, managers, administrative and service personnel. This programme is studied on a part-time basis over two years.

Student Finance

All of our higher education teaching programmes are eligible for funding from the Student Loans Company, even if you have already had a loan to support previous study. You may also be able to access subject specialist bursaries from the Department for Education to support your study.

Placements

Our Diploma and PgCE programmes involve a minimum of 150 hours of teaching practice over the duration of the course. These placements provide invaluable practical experience whilst you study. Our students secure teaching placements in colleges, schools and sixth forms, higher education institutions and universities, voluntary and community learning, professional education and training, prison and probation services and independent training providers.

Professional Development Support

We have a dedicated member of our team who liaises with students and employers to help secure teaching placements. Students are guided and encouraged throughout the course by tutors and mentors. We hold regular Teacher Recruitment Events to support our graduate teachers into employment and to secure placements for students due to start teaching programmes. We have strong links with employers and these events are well attended by local employers. We also invite all of our students to Professional Development Events throughout their course giving them the opportunity to widen their knowledge of the sector, take part in workshops and gain sector insight through guest speakers.

Progression

Our students often secure paid teaching hours whilst studying their course. Our graduates have gone on to successfully secure employment at schools and sixth forms, colleges and higher education.

How to Apply

All full-time and part-time applications need to be made online on our website and not through UCAS. All applicants will be invited to attend an interview to complete group tasks and individual writing tasks. We spend time with all of our applicants to ensure you join the course that is most suited to your educational background and career goals.

Apply online:
www.ncuc.ac.uk/subject-areas/teacher-education

Contact us:
If you would like to find out more information about our courses please contact our team:
0191 200 4565
nse@ncl-coll.ac.uk
www.ncuc.ac.uk/subject-areas/teacher-education

postgraduate studies

At Newcastle College University Centre we don't just offer undergraduate degrees and degree apprenticeships. We offer flexible, affordable and career-enhancing postgraduate degrees too.

Whether you have studied with us before or are joining us for this next step in your life, you will have access to student support, our strong industry links and our commitment to an education that makes you work-ready.

We offer postgraduate courses in Art and Design, Business, Children and Young People, Computing, Counselling, Digital Arts, Health and Social Care and Teacher Education. You will receive high-quality practical education in a dedicated higher education college setting. If you have thought about advancing your undergraduate degree and want to build your industry-ready skills, a postgraduate degree with Newcastle College University Centre is for you.

What drives me and inspires me is being able to help develop the next generation. I think what I'd like to do with my Master's degree is to become a Headteacher. I'd love to not only develop the next generation from an academic perspective but also from a personal perspective and teach them life skills. I feel like it's my calling.

Anthony Mills
MEd Education and Professional Development Student

international students

At Newcastle College University Centre we are delighted to welcome international students to study with us.

Our International Office Team will help you to adjust to life away from home and will offer you a personalised student experience in a friendly and supportive environment. International Office services include:

- application advice, including issuing Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)
- Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)
- pre-departure information
- accommodation advice
- visa application advice
- support and enrolment at Newcastle College University Centre
- welcome and induction activities
- social activities
- information on living in Newcastle
- help with registering with a local doctor (GP)
- support with opening a bank account
- information on council tax requirements.

To apply as an international student you will need:

- to complete an International Application Form
- a copy of your passport
- copies of your previous visas
- relevant academic documents
- evidence of your English language proficiency.

Please note, international applicants are only eligible to apply for full-time programmes; part-time courses are not available under the Student Route visa.

www.ncuc.ac.uk/international
international@ncl-coll.ac.uk
(+44) 191 223 6323

Click here to complete an International Application Form.

graduation

After years of study it is only right that you get to celebrate your achievement with friends and family. Every summer, Newcastle Civic Centre opens its doors to hundreds of learners who enter as students and leave as graduates.

We take great pride in giving our students the skills and knowledge they need for a successful career in industry. You can join our community too.

Click me to see our Graduation ceremonies in action!

how to apply

If you are not currently a student at Newcastle College and wish to apply for a full-time CertHE, Foundation Degree, Honours Degree or Honours Degree (Top-Up) with us you will need to make an online application at ucas.com

UCAS Application

The advantages of online UCAS applications are:

- support and advice is available from www.ucas.com
- it can be used by students in schools and colleges and those applying independently
- online applications are processed within 24 hours then sent to us.

Help with your Application

If you are at school or college, members of our Student Services Team may be able to help you with the online application process.

Alternatively, you can contact UCAS directly:

0371 468 0468

enquiries@ucas.ac.uk

To find out other ways to contact UCAS, head to ucas.com/contact-us

When you apply, you will need the UCAS code for your chosen course e.g. N200 (this is detailed on each course overview within this prospectus). You can also find this information at www.ucas.com

You will also need Newcastle College University Centre's institution name and code.

The institution name is: NCAST
The institution code is: N23

Newcastle College Students

If you are currently studying with us and wish to apply for a full-time CertHE, Foundation Degree, Honours Degree or Honours Degree (Top-Up), you can apply to us directly. All you need to do is complete a short form on our website and a member of the team will be in touch to discuss your application and the next steps. Your tutor can also help you apply.

Part-Time Applicants

If you would like to study one of our degree courses on a part-time basis you can also apply directly to us. Head to **ncuc.ac.uk** to view our part-time degree offer.

International Students

International students can apply directly to our International Office. You will need to complete an International Application Form and submit copies of your passport, previous visas, academic documents and evidence of English language proficiency. Our International Team will support you through this process, please contact **international@ncl-coll.ac.uk**

Need Assistance?

If you require more information on our degree courses, need help with making your application or require this guide in an alternative format then please contact us:

0191 200 4000

HErecruitment@ncl-coll.ac.uk

Aesthetics and Make-Up students study in our Lifestyle Academy.

Industry supporters

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aesthetics and make-up

Overview

The beauty industry makes millions each year and is growing rapidly to meet the demands of evolving trends and emerging techniques. As a student in aesthetics and skin rejuvenation, or make-up, you will know how important it is to have the right skills for industry and our degrees at Newcastle College University Centre are designed to help you stand out from the crowd. By studying with us, you will be joining a unique and highly-skilled group of undergraduates ready to take the aesthetics and make-up industry to the next level.

Our degrees have been designed to provide you with higher-level and specialised skills that are needed within the advanced aesthetic and make-up industry.

Click here to find out more about our Aesthetics and Make-Up degree courses.

Industry-related careers

- Aesthetician
- Advanced Make-Up Artist
- Business Owner
- Clinic Manager
- Freelance Artist
- Medical Micropigmentation Professional
- Salon Owner
- Semi-Permanent Make-Up
- Spa Manager
- TV, Movie and Theatre Hair and Make-Up.

Study with us and you will:

- benefit from specialist industry training from leading providers.
- have access to specialist equipment to develop your technical skills.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who have specialised in clinic management, spa management and aesthetic practice.
- attend industry exhibitions to enrich your learning.
- be assessed in a variety of ways including case studies, presentations, reports and practicals.

FdA Aesthetic Principles and Clinical Practice

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: Level 3 Beauty Therapy Qualification alongside Facial and Body Electrotherapy.

UCAS Code: BN32

Are you looking to enhance your practice within the non-medical aesthetic sector as a practising Aesthetician? This degree has been developed with employers including SK:N, Laser Clinics UK, Myobody Aesthetics and Transform to ensure it reflects what skills are required to be employed within the industry. You will study aesthetic procedures and gain an understanding of why they are carried out in the way that they are to shape your clinical practice. You will cover topics such as laser and pulsed light for hair removal and skin rejuvenation, microneedling for collagen synthesis, scarring and pigmentation and superficial chemical peels for a range of skin concerns.

FdA Advanced Techniques in Media and Semi-Permanent Make-Up

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 32-64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: BN34

This Foundation Degree in Advanced Techniques in Media and Semi-Permanent Make-Up is an ideal course for those with a passion for media and theatrical make-up and who are seeking to gain advanced semi-permanent make-up skills. This course will provide you with knowledge and skills to effectively manage the quality of services offered in the industry, the advanced capabilities of providing a range of progressive treatments and expertise in the field of advanced make-up. You will work with high-quality, specialised equipment and learn highly-advanced skills which will enhance your career prospects in the make-up industry. During this degree you will also work with industry-renowned brands to develop a unique skill set in cosmetic, theatrical and reconstructive make-up.

BA (Hons) Advanced Principles in Media Make-Up (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in related area.

UCAS Code: BN35

Whether your dream is to work in media and theatrical make-up or you're interested in introducing technology into your prosthetic work, this is the course for you. You will build expertise in making bespoke wigs from scratch, a skill which is highly sought-after within the film and theatre industry. Within the advanced prosthetics module you will focus on advanced sculpting skills as well as creation of full-face prosthetics, a lucrative and increasingly sought-after skill. 3D sculpting and character design will focus on exploring various attributes that are necessary to create a believable character and translate visual research into a 3D character using organic modelling techniques with a digital sculpting tool.

BA (Hons) Advanced Skin Techniques (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree in a relevant area with previous experience of chemical peels, laser and pulsed light theories, physiology of the skin and research methods.

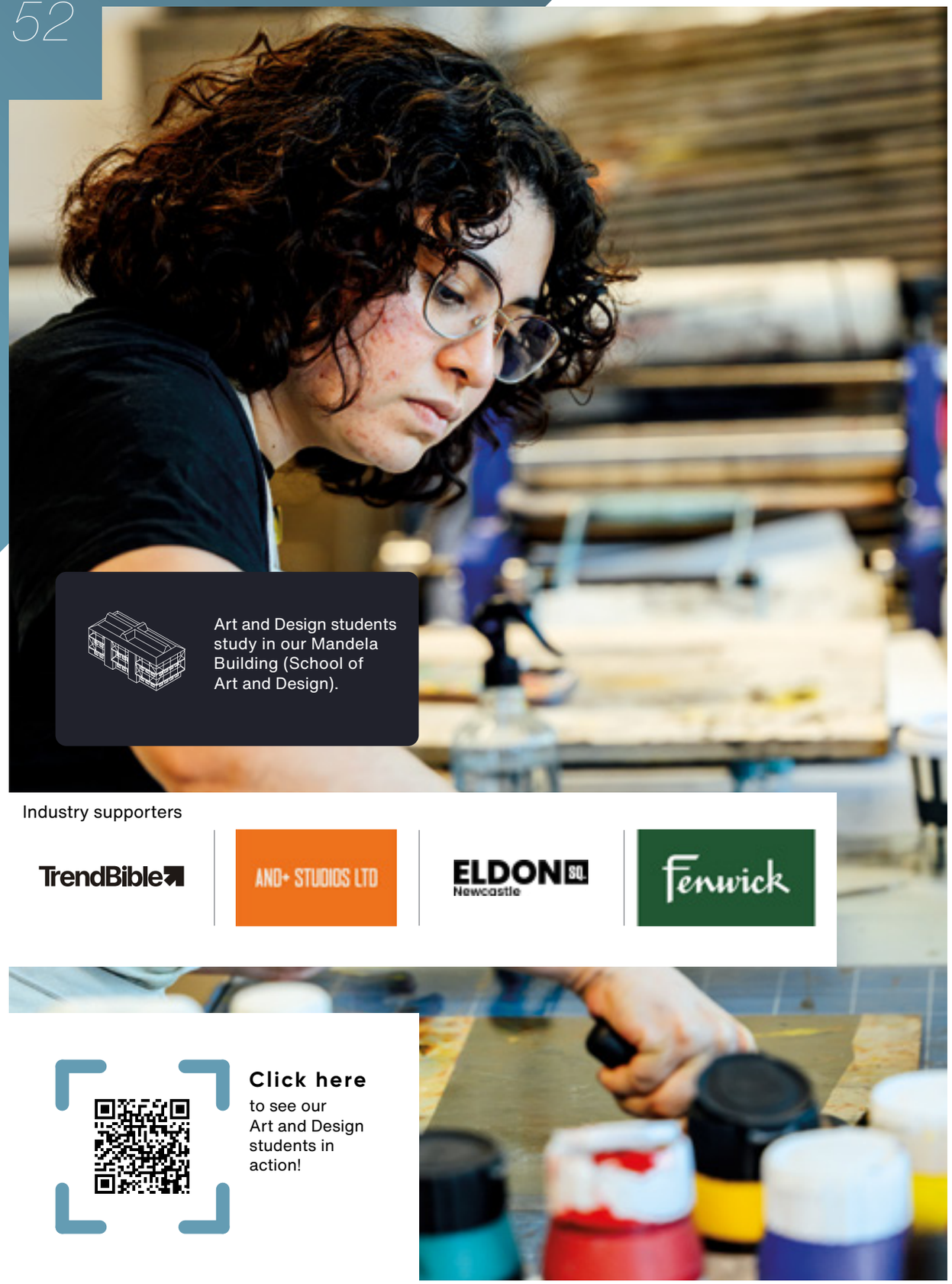
UCAS Code: BN33

Are you currently working within the non-medical aesthetic industry and looking to further your practice? This is an exciting programme that has been developed to expand from the Foundation Degree in Aesthetic Principles and Clinical Practice, enhancing theoretical and vocational skills within the industry. Throughout this programme you will learn advanced procedures such as medium strength chemical peels, mixed modalities and advanced laser procedures such as tattoo removal, with theoretical principles to support. The intent of the programme is to expand on the underpinning knowledge of an Aesthetician to ensure that you are competent to treat a wider range of complex conditions.

The facilities at the University Centre are fantastic! For the make-up part of the course, we get to work in industry-standard clinical rooms, which is great because it makes the experience feel just like being in the real professional setting. Outside of classes we like spending time in the HE Hub and the Turnbull Suite. The HE Hub is great for grabbing a bite to eat or a drink after lessons, and the Turnbull Suite downstairs is a nice collaborative space. My friends and I often go there after classes to do some work... or, more often than not, just have a good chat!

Jessica Edwards
Aesthetics and Make-Up student

Click here for the full story.



Art and Design students study in our Mandela Building (School of Art and Design).

Industry supporters

TrendBible | AND+ STUDIOS LTD | ELDON SQ. Newcastle | Fenwick

Click here to see our Art and Design students in action!

art and design

Overview

As a creative, you will know how important it is to study in an environment which will challenge and support you to thrive. With our Art and Design degrees you will be provided with a creative community offering you a safe space to explore ideas. You will be supported to develop your freelance/professional creative practice and collaborate with industry leaders such as the British Fashion Council, Barbour and Fenwick.

Depending on your degree, you will have access to industry-standard equipment such as CLO 3D, digital fabric printing equipment, a laser cutter, a 3D printer, screen printing facilities, CNC router and vinyl cutter. You will also become a proficient user of the Adobe Suite, specialising in InDesign, Photoshop and Illustrator.

Our creative degrees will set you up for a rewarding career in the industry you love. Our industry partners that continue to support and work with our students include Jack Nockles from AND+ Studios, Louise Weeks from Trend Bible, Jimmy Turrell, graphic artist, renowned Fashion Stylist Jo Shippen and Geoff Sanderson from Jungle Studio talent agency. If you are a forward-thinker who wants to find your voice as an artist or designer, you belong with us.

Industry-related careers

- Art Curator
- Art Management
- Artist
- Buyer
- Designer/Maker
- Fashion Designer
- Fashion Retail
- Freelance Designer
- Interior and Spatial Designer
- Merchandiser and Stylist
- Multi-Disciplined Designer
- Product Designer
- Textile and Surface Designer
- Visual Merchandiser.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to undertake exciting work experiences and/or placements with regional, national and international organisations.
- be taught in smaller class sizes by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- work on live briefs set by employers and benefit from industry insight from guest speaker lectures.
- have the chance to go on national and international field trips to enrich your studies.
- exhibit your work to industry.

Click here to find out more about our Art and Design degree courses.

FdA Designer Maker

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W236

This engaging and hands-on degree offers a dynamic combination of practical workshops, lectures and industry visits. This degree will support the development of your creative practice as an emerging Designer Maker, exploring ceramics, jewellery and accessories, textiles and small product design, with the flexibility to specialise or work across disciplines. Emphasis is placed on creative experimentation, using a wide variety of materials and developing your individual ideas and approaches.

Throughout this degree, you will tackle challenging project briefs, often working with live industry projects and external partners. You will explore opportunities within the craft and design industries while gaining a solid understanding of professional practice across a wide range of areas.

FdA Interior and Spatial Design

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W250

Are you interested in a career in the design industry? Would you like to create your own designs? This Interior and Spatial Design degree will give you industry-aligned design skills and knowledge that respond to the changing shape of design. The course is unique in that you will learn a range of vocationally-focused design principles and practical skills. You will become proficient with equipment such as a laser cutter and digital applications like SketchUp and the Adobe Suite as well as having the opportunity to develop your own commercial and residential schemes.

I like how our projects are really self-led, so you can think of your own themes and make them personal to you. We are given briefs, but they are broad, so you can take it in any direction that you want. Everybody's work in the class is so different, I love to walk around the studio and just see what other people are up to. I get a lot of inspiration from that.

Annabel Reece
Art and Design student

Click here for the full story.

FdA Fashion and Textiles Design Practice

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W237

Are you looking for a degree that allows you to explore different pathways in fashion and textiles? Within this new Foundation Degree, you will have the opportunity to specialise in areas such as textile design for fashion or interiors, fashion design, or digital fashion. This hands-on degree encourages experimentation with materials, methods and processes, helping you develop creative solutions to real-world design challenges. You will benefit from access to industry-standard facilities, including sewing workshops, print and 3D workshops, photography studios and CAD-equipped IT suites. Students also receive Adobe access at home and a WGSN account to stay ahead of industry trends. Throughout the course, you will build a professional portfolio, develop technical and creative skills, and gain valuable industry insight to support your future career.

BA (Hons) Fine Art

Duration: 3 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W100

If you have a passion for Fine Art or Art and Design, this degree will allow you to explore your interests and build the skills you need for a successful career in the industry. Through practical studio sessions, you will become proficient in metal, ceramic, traditional and digital print, and lens-based and sewing room skills. You will learn traditional and contemporary techniques such as drawing, painting, sculpture, installation and digital practice. As this degree focuses on showcasing the work you create, you will be given the opportunity to exhibit throughout your time as a student and work with industry to develop exhibition experience.

BA (Hons) Design Practice (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W212

If you're looking for a degree where you can design your own future, this is the course for you. During this Top-Up degree, you will develop your own professional practice and pursue an individual pathway into industry. Learning from industry-experienced tutors, you will research, plan and design your own project brief linked directly to your career aspirations and creative interests. You will have access to specialist facilities including an industrial sewing room, print studios, 3D workshops and Adobe Suite software. Throughout the course you will build a strong portfolio of work and gain the confidence needed to progress into employment or further study.

BA (Hons) Interior and Spatial Design (Top-Up)

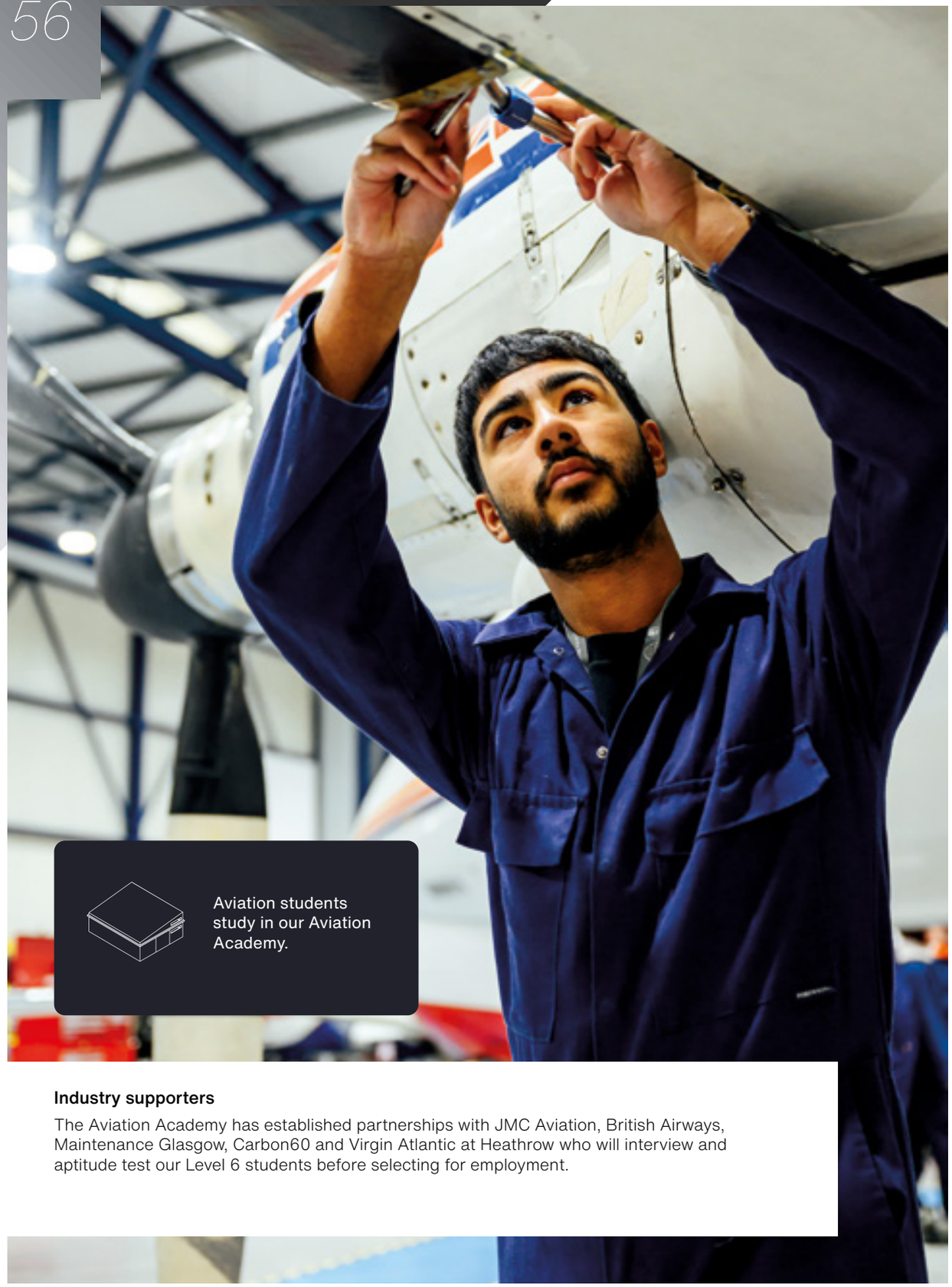
Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W252

This degree will enable you to develop your management and project development skills, preparing you for life in industry. Learning from industry-experienced tutors, you will research and design your own project brief that responds to the needs of the sector and the changing shape of the interior, architectural and design industries. This design degree will give you the additional skills and knowledge you need to get you ready for a career in industry. Developed alongside employers, this degree will enable you to work on live briefs, giving you experience of industry demands and hands-on experience of the art and design sector.



Aviation students study in our Aviation Academy.

Industry supporters

The Aviation Academy has established partnerships with JMC Aviation, British Airways, Maintenance Glasgow, Carbon60 and Virgin Atlantic at Heathrow who will interview and aptitude test our Level 6 students before selecting for employment.

aviation

Overview

The world of aviation is constantly evolving and demand for highly-skilled graduates is increasing. If you are looking for a fulfilling career in aircraft maintenance engineering, we have a degree for you.

As an Aviation student you will benefit from studying at our specialist, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) approved Aviation Academy. Based at Newcastle International Airport, you will have access to a wide range of industry standard training aircraft and resources. Our aircraft include a fully functional Beechcraft Premier 1 business jet, a BAE Jetstream 3100 turbo-prop, a Piper Aztec and a Boeing 737-200. Training is further supported with resources such as our Flight Training and Navigation simulators plus a variety of gas turbine engines including a Rolls-Royce RB-211 Turbofan.

Our Aircraft Maintenance Engineering degree is aligned with the industry B1.1 Aircraft Maintenance Licence and it will provide you with invaluable hands-on experience, learning from our industry specialist tutors. We pride ourselves on having tutors who have real-world experience of the industry you are passionate about and who will help send your future soaring.

Industry-related careers

- B1.1 Licenced Aircraft Engineer
- Licensed Aircraft Mechanic
- Unlicensed Aircraft Mechanic
- Aircraft Interior Fitter
- Aircraft Planning
- Airworthiness Surveying
- Technical Publication Authoring.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to undertake industry visits to enrich your studies.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- really get to know your classmates through learning in smaller groups.
- be assessed in a variety of ways including projects, written assessments and presentations.
- build valuable employer contacts through networking events.
- develop high-standard hand skills through the practical course content.

Click here
to find out more about our Aviation degree courses.

BSc (Hons) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering

Duration: 3 years

Entry requirements: 80 UCAS points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: 4Q58

This Aircraft Maintenance Engineering degree is the only degree of its kind in the North East and the course content is in line with the UK Civil Aviation Authority (UK CAA) Part-66 category B1.1 Aircraft Maintenance Engineering license syllabus. You will be taught aerodynamics, aircraft systems and maintenance practices by tutors who have many years of experience in aircraft maintenance engineering as well as the military. You will study at Newcastle College Aviation Academy, a Part 147 training facility, audited and approved by the UK Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) based at Newcastle International Airport.

In my many years at Newcastle College University Centre I have seen many students go on to achieve great things. I love using the experiences I have had working in the Royal Air Force to inspire the next generation of aircraft engineers.

I am passionate about helping students develop both the technical skills and professional mindset needed to succeed in the aviation industry. Supporting learners as they grow in confidence and achieve their career ambitions is one of the most rewarding aspects of my role, and I take pride in contributing to their journey.

Jim King
Assistant Head of Curriculum

Business students study in our Trevelyan Building.

Industry supporters

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business

Overview

Whether you want to strike out in business on your own, or work with global companies, start-ups or not-for-profit organisations, our Business courses give you the ability and expertise to accelerate your career and gain a solid grounding in how to run a successful and sustainable business.

Newcastle College University Centre will enable you to gain the knowledge and skills necessary to be a great business all-rounder. You will study a wide range of local and global business issues, developing key transferable skills such as strategic thinking, commercial problem solving and leadership. Each unit focuses on the theoretical knowledge, professional expertise and work-based learning relevant to a variety of areas including management, human resources, marketing, accounting, business strategy and business law.

Our tutors are industry-experienced and know how businesses work in practice, sharing the experience of real-world problems.

Industry-related careers

- Business Adviser
- Business Manager
- HR Manager
- Marketing Manager
- Office Manager
- Project Manager
- Team Leader.

Study with us and you will:

- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- benefit from the collaboration that comes from smaller class sizes.
- graduate with additional qualifications accredited by professional bodies alongside your studies to enhance your employability.
- benefit from industry expertise through our guest lecture series.
- be assessed in a variety of ways including case studies, workshops, reports, portfolios and presentations.
- gain the practical experience needed to impress potential employers through the practical course content.
- have access to a wide range of academic and pastoral support to help you succeed.

Click here
to find out more about our Business degree courses.

FdA Business Management

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: N190

This FdA Business Management degree provides a strong foundation in key business functions and prepares you for a wide range of careers across industry. You will explore areas such as marketing, finance, leadership, human resources and operations, developing practical skills and knowledge that reflect real-world business environments. Through applied learning, case studies and project-based work, you will build your confidence in decision-making, problem-solving and teamwork. The course is designed to support your personal and professional development, helping you understand how organisations operate in a competitive global market. It also provides a clear pathway into employment and further study, including progression to a Top-Up to a full Honours Degree in Business or a related field.

BA (Hons) Business Management (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

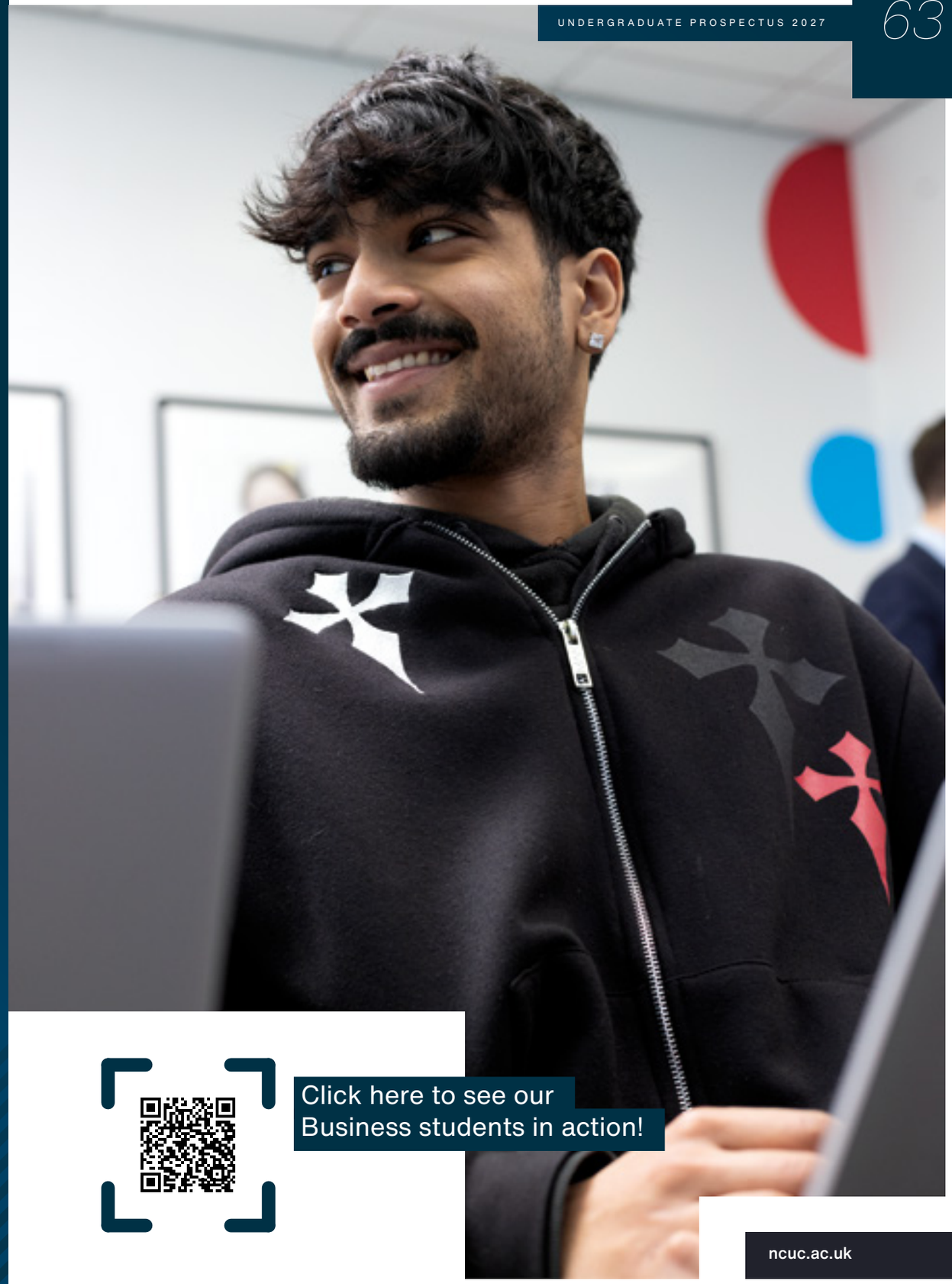
UCAS Code: N200

This BA (Hons) Business Management (Top-Up) degree will develop your individual management and business acumen, getting you ready for life in industry. You will cover a range of factors affecting businesses in the current climate, such as what drives firms to develop and grow, marketing techniques, the challenges of management, the impact of digital technologies, the challenges of leading organisations and the ethical standards of businesses. You will cover many key themes during this degree including entrepreneurship, ethical management, research skills and change management, enabling you to have the well-rounded knowledge and skills you need in the modern world of business.

I chose to study at Newcastle College University Centre because you could choose an additional module, as well as study business management. It's one of the few places that included human resources on the curriculum which meant I could really tailor my degree to what I want to do in the future.

Leanne Hunter
Business student

Click here for the full story.



Click here to see our Business students in action!

Children and Young People students study in our Teaching Development Centre.

Industry supporters

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children and young people

Overview

Providing opportunities and developing the skills and knowledge of children and young people is something that you are very passionate about.

With a Children and Young People degree at Newcastle College University Centre, you will gain the skills you need to work with children in a range of environments, such as schools, Early Years' settings, youth centres and outreach centres.

If you are passionate about the development of children and young people and see your career in a sector that really makes a difference, our children and young people degree is for you.

Click here to find out more about our Children and Young People degree courses.

Industry-related careers

- Counsellor
- Family Support Worker
- Learning Mentor
- Nursery Manager
- Social Worker
- Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator
- Teacher
- Teaching Assistant
- Youth Worker.

Study with us and you will:

- have access to our childcare training rooms, designed to train students in Early Years' settings and school age childcare.
- undertake a work placement to develop your personal and professional skills.
- benefit from industry expertise through our guest lecture series.
- work on live projects set by employers to give you an insight into your chosen sector.
- learn in smaller class sizes for more one-to-one tutor support.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- be assessed in a variety of ways including projects, examinations, reports and presentations.

FdA Children and Young People

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: L590

This Foundation Degree in Children and Young People will open up a range of career opportunities for you within schools, Early Years environments, youth work, outreach services, and roles supporting children with additional needs. If you are passionate about working with children and child development, this degree provides the perfect platform for a rewarding and meaningful career in the sector. You will cover a variety of topics such as child development, safeguarding, inclusive practice and the National Curriculum, all delivered by tutors with extensive professional experience. Alongside academic study, you will develop practical skills through work-based learning opportunities, helping you to build confidence and gain valuable insight into real-world settings. This will support your progression into employment or further study.

BA (Hons) Children and Young People (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

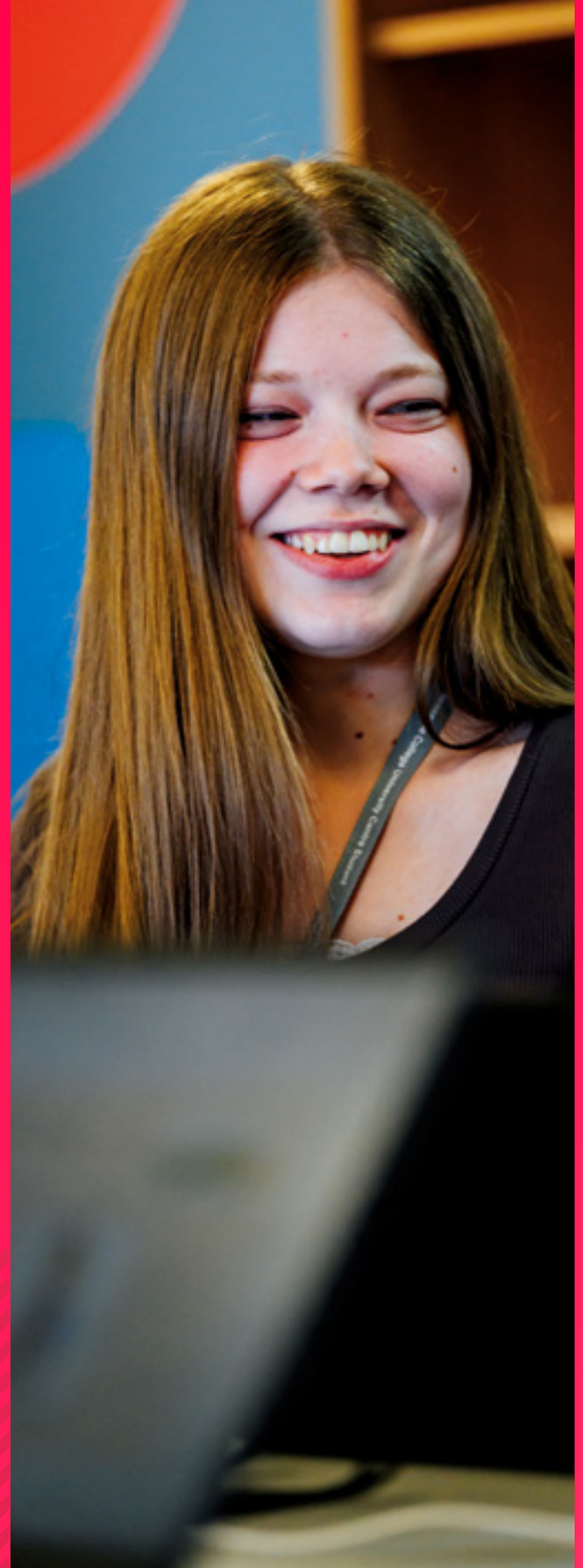
UCAS Code: L591

This Children and Young People degree will allow you to build on the professional skills and knowledge you gained at Foundation Degree level. It is also the next step towards a PGCE qualification if you are looking to go into teaching. You will be committed, motivated, be passionate about working with children and want to make a positive impact on their development. You will cover topics such as safeguarding, young people in society and equality and diversity, learning from tutors who have worked in a variety of roles in nurseries, schools and education and youth settings. You will also develop enhanced research skills by completing a dissertation on an area of your choice.

I have worked in the Children and Young People sector for over 15 years as a Nursery Manager, SENCo and a Safeguarding Lead. Over this period, I have supported students within the sector to gain skills, experiences and knowledge which supported their placement experiences.

I am committed to nurturing confident, reflective practitioners who are well-prepared to meet the diverse needs of children and families. I take pride in guiding students to develop their understanding of inclusive practice, safeguarding responsibilities and professional standards, ensuring they are equipped to make a positive impact in their future careers.

Sonia Gray
Lecturer



My tutors have so much experience and in every session they share real-life examples from their own careers. Everyone at my placement is industry-experienced too, so they're always giving me advice and tips to help me along the way. It makes me feel really supported and confident in what I'm learning.

Abby Morgan
Children and Young People student

Click here for the full story.

Computing students study in our Mandela Building.

Industry supporters

computing

Overview

The computing and digital technologies industry is one of the most fast-paced and evolving industries in the world. As a Computing student, you will be creative, technical and know how to use your skills in a competitive field. Throughout your studies you will use your analytical, logical, creative and problem-solving skills to build, design and test networks, software, games technologies and digital solutions.

Our Computing degrees have been designed alongside industry specialists, giving you a critical insight into computing in the working world. Learning from industry experienced tutors, you will build practical and analytical skills, readying you for a rewarding and exciting career in the industry you love.

I feel like my degree has given me a great understanding of everything I need, it doesn't restrict me into a particular pathway within the cyber security sector so I can try out everything. Professionally, it's been incredibly rewarding, but I've also grown personally through the development classes offered on my degree. I've learned so much, not just about cyber security, but about myself as a young professional.

Ted Cairns Fuller
Computing student

Click here to find out more about our Computing degree courses.

Industry-related careers

- Applications Developer
- Cyber Security Analyst
- Data Analyst
- Games Developer
- Multimedia Programmer
- Network Engineer
- Penetration Tester
- Project Manager
- Software Engineer
- Support Technician
- Systems Analyst
- UX Designer
- Web Developer.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to undertake exciting placements with regional, national and international organisations.
- be taught in smaller class sizes by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- work on live briefs set by employers and benefit from guest speaker lectures. Previous students have worked on briefs for Proto, Zerolight, Sumo Digital, DXC and Four Fusion.
- have the chance to go on national and international field trips to enrich your studies.
- benefit from industry insight through our guest lecture series.
- meet potential employers through networking events.

FdSc Games Design and Development

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS Points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: II61

This Games Design and Development Foundation Degree allows you to explore your creative side while developing advanced technical skills for a career in games development. You will learn from industry-experienced tutors and cover areas such as games design, games art, animation and modelling, with many projects culminating in the development of small playable game prototypes. Developed with industry professionals, this course will also help you build communication, project management and professional skills through live client briefs and real-world projects, while giving you insight into emerging and immersive technologies across the wider digital sector.

FdSc Networking and Cyber Security

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: 2B9L

This Networking and Cyber Security degree offers you the chance to upskill, learn and develop into a true technical professional with a one-of-a-kind course right here in the North East. You will develop your network building skills, dive into ethical hacking techniques and assess vulnerable networks all whilst creating a strong analytical mindset and using your own problem-solving skills to tackle any networking challenge you might face in this industry. As a part of this curriculum, you will use Cisco industry-standard equipment to gain hands on experience and simulate real-world situations, you will also have the opportunity to sit additional professional networking qualifications that are embedded into this course to ensure you are ahead of the curve when it comes to becoming a true networking and cyber security professional.

I enjoy delivering technical modules with a practical outcome. I get to use my experience working on industry projects to help students develop their skills in 3D modelling, texturing and animation. It's very rewarding to see students bring their own ideas to life, from a simple concept all the way to a character they can move around in a game.

Murray Lambert
Lecturer

FdSc Software Engineering with Artificial Intelligence

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: G612

This Software Engineering with Artificial Intelligence Foundation Degree prepares you for a career in the rapidly growing computing industry. You will develop skills in programming, software development and intelligent systems while exploring emerging technologies such as cloud computing, DevOps and AI. With access to industry-standard facilities and expert tutors, you will gain the practical knowledge needed to progress into employment or further study. At Newcastle College University Centre we have collaborated with key industry contacts in the region so you will get relevant, career-focused training in a range of computing areas. Alongside this qualification, you will also be accredited with a Software Developer Higher Technical Qualification (HTQ).

BSc (Hons) Computing (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related areas

UCAS Code: G500

This Computing (Top-Up) degree has been designed to lead you into an exciting career in computing or a more specialised career in networking and cyber security. Alongside the compulsory modules on this degree, you will have the opportunity to choose two further modules depending on your interests and career aspirations. The optional modules include systems development, web APIs, advanced networking and digital forensics. As a Computing student you will also have access to our dedicated networking lab with its own private internal network, allowing you to build your own network using the latest industry-standard hardware and software.

BSc (Hons) Games Technologies (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: I600

This Games Technologies degree has been developed in collaboration with employers including Wolf and Wood, INFINITY27, YourFilm and Chokepoint Creative and is ideal if you are looking to pursue a career in the gaming industry. You will acquire specialist industry knowledge and learn how to produce blueprints for games, consider how mobile-friendly versions are made and gain the technical expertise to create them. You will have a passion for design and a creative flair, but also possess an analytical mind and want to gain a deeper understanding of the back-end of games and how they are developed. You will use industry standard software and equipment such as VR headsets to support your studies.

Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law students study at the Vertu Motors Arena and Rye Hill Campus.

Click here to see our Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law students in action!

criminology, policing and criminal law

Overview

As a Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law student, you know how important it is to protect the public. You are a practical and logical thinker, looking to develop your skills and start a fulfilling career in the protection services.

A Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law degree at Newcastle College University Centre will give you the foundation you need to start your career in industry. Our Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law degrees are taught by former police officers and criminal justice workers and have close links to industry specialists such as Northumbria Police, Probation Service and HM Frankland Prison, Newcastle Crown Court, the Royal Navy, Army and Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue. If you want a fulfilling and challenging career in a vital industry, start your journey with us.

Click here to find out more about our Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law degree courses.

Industry-related careers

- Border Agency
- Community Development Worker
- Customs Handler
- Immigration Officer
- NHS Fraud Investigator
- Police Officer
- Prison Officer
- Probation Officer
- Security Services
- Youth Offending Officer
- Youth Worker.

Study with us and you will:

- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- really get to know your classmates through learning in smaller class sizes.
- have the opportunity to undertake additional qualifications such as first aid.
- benefit from industry expertise through our links to third sector organisations.
- have access to a fully-equipped sports hall and gym, to improve and develop your levels of fitness.
- have the opportunity to gain relevant and rewarding work experience in countries such as Italy, Malta and South Africa.

FdSc Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: C610

This Criminology, Policing and Criminal Law Foundation Degree will provide you with the necessary knowledge, skills and behaviours needed for working within a variety of roles in the criminal justice system. Throughout the programme you will have the opportunity to explore different disciplines (both theoretically and practically) including policing, youth justice, prison services and the criminal prosecution service. You will learn in simulation rooms and be immersed in virtual reality as part of your studies, as well as benefiting from hearing first-hand experiences from guest speakers including the probation service, Northumbria Police and third-sector charities.

BSc (Hons) Criminology and Policing (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area

UCAS Code: C612

The BSc (Hons) Criminology and Policing (Top-Up) is designed to meet the growing demand for professionals in policing, probation services and legal and criminal justice roles. This Top-Up programme has been developed to address a pressing need for graduates skilled in both criminology and law, responding directly to key national trends and staffing requirements across the UK criminal justice sector. Initiatives such as the Police Uplift Programme, which aims to recruit an additional 20,000 officers, highlights the urgent demand for well-prepared recruits with relevant knowledge and understanding. You will develop analytical, research and problem-solving skills to support progression into employment or further study within the sector.

BSc (Hons) Criminology and Law (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area

UCAS Code: C611

The BSc (Hons) Criminology and Law (Top-Up) degree is designed to meet the growing demand for professionals in legal practice, criminal justice, probation services and wider advisory roles within the justice system. This Top-Up programme has been developed to address a pressing need for graduates with a strong understanding of law alongside criminology, responding directly to key national trends and workforce demands across the UK legal and criminal justice sectors. Increasing pressures on the justice system, including court backlogs and the need for accessible legal support, highlight the importance of skilled graduates with applied legal knowledge. You will develop critical thinking, legal analysis and research skills to support progression into legal careers or further study.

Digital Arts students study in our Mandela Building (School of Art and Design).

Industry supporters

digital arts

Overview

If you want to turn your passion for creativity into a fulfilling and exciting career, a degree in Digital Arts from Newcastle College University Centre will boost your skills, refine your flair and give you a creative environment where you will thrive with like-minded peers.

Our degrees will give you a broad experience of the digital arts industry where you will access first-class facilities and software such as Blender and VR headsets, Mac suites, animation, illustration and visual FX workshops, green screen facilities and screen print studios, animation studios and illustration studios.

Getting you ready for a thrilling career in the digital industry is one of our top priorities. Not only will you learn from industry-experienced tutors, but our previous students have worked with specialists on live briefs and campaigns for companies such as Channel 4, Live Theatre and Penguin Books.

If you are a creative who thrives on telling stories through your work, you will love studying with us.

Industry-related careers

- 3D Modeller
- Animator
- Digital Designer
- Effects Animator
- Graphic Designer
- Illustrator
- Motion Graphics Designer
- Photographer
- Retoucher
- UI/UX Designer
- Web Designer.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to undertake exciting placements with regional, national and international organisations.
- be taught in smaller class sizes by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- work on live briefs set by employers and benefit from guest speaker lectures.
- have the chance to go on national and international field trips to enrich your studies.
- exhibit your work at end of year shows.
- benefit from industry insight through our guest lecture series.
- meet potential employers through networking events.

Click here to find out more about our Digital Arts degree courses.

FdA Graphic Communication

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W213

Explore emerging trends and technologies on this Graphic Communication Foundation Degree. This course will help you build a solid foundation in graphic design, advertising and interactive design, including web design, app design and related digital media practices. You will learn design principles and industry values alongside technical skills, developing your creative excellence by responding to real client briefs with imaginative, effective solutions. In your second year, you will focus more closely on your individual interests, refining your personal style while producing a specialist portfolio of work. You will also gain experience using industry-standard software and digital tools to prepare you for employment or further study. If you are an innovative problem solver who enjoys creative challenges, this is the degree for you.

FdA Film, TV and Media Production

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W6P3

Immerse yourself in the dynamic and evolving world of visual storytelling with our Foundation Degree in Film, TV, and Media Production. You will explore all stages of production, from concept development and scripting through to filming, editing and post-production. You will have access to leading-edge facilities including editing suites, a virtual production studio, photography studio and rehearsal rooms, enabling hands-on experience with industry-standard tools and workflows. By the end of this programme, graduates will be well-equipped to pursue careers in film, television and media production, including roles as filmmakers, directors, producers, cinematographers, editors and content creators.

FdA Animation

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: WW27

This Foundation Degree in Animation covers a wide range of topics, including the principles of animation, character and environment design, 3D design and stop motion and is taught by industry experienced tutors with real knowledge of the animation industry. Throughout this degree, you'll experience a blend of theoretical studies and hands-on practical learning, ensuring you develop both creative and technical skills, getting you ready for an exciting career in industry. You'll work in fantastic facilities too - the Animation Studio is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities housing 24" Cintiq Pro graphics tablets, a green screen, stop motion facilities and industry standard software.

FdA Concept Art

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: WW30

This brand-new Foundation Degree is perfect for aspiring concept artists who want to design characters, worlds and stories for games, film and animation. Studying narrative and storytelling, and by taking part in portfolio development as well as live briefs, you will gain the practical experience needed for industry. You will produce a range of concept art packages for original IPs or client briefs, showcasing your creativity and technical expertise. Your studies will be delivered in our dedicated digital arts facilities, and you will master industry-standard 2D and 3D software as well as workflows in our state-of-the-art digital studios, featuring 24-inch Cintiq Pro tablets, green screen, stop-motion facilities, and immersive screens.

I run my own 3D animation company and I'm one of the lecturers on the BA (Hons) Animation course. I try to not only bring in industry skills but also push experimentation with new technologies to further our students' skills.

I am passionate about encouraging creativity, innovation and storytelling, helping students to develop their own unique artistic voice. Watching them grow in confidence and produce industry-ready work is incredibly rewarding, and I take pride in preparing them for the evolving demands of the animation and creative industries.

Paul Smyth
Lecturer

FdA Photography

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W640

This practical degree is affiliated with the Association of Photography and will teach you fundamental technical and studio skills, such as lighting, camera operation, dark room practice and location photography. Developed in consultation with photographers Christine Harding, Mark Taylor and Mike Baster, this degree is focused on commercial photography and 'capturing a moment'. During the course you will study topics such as composition and the history of photography and cover areas of photography including still life, portraiture, food and editorial to help you become a well-rounded photographer. Studying in our dedicated digital arts facilities, you will have access to a range of professional resources, including our purpose-built photographic studio.

BA (Hons) Illustration

Duration: 3 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS Points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: WW28

Our Illustration degree prides itself on innovation and new approaches to narrative visualisation through personal and client-based projects. You'll develop traditional and digital techniques with drawing and visualisation at the heart of studio practice. You'll explore alternative methods that encourage experimentation, while gaining a clear understanding of industry workflows. Across the course you'll work with printmaking, digital visualisation in 2D and 3D, and traditional drawing and painting to build a strong, employable portfolio

I chose to study my Photography degree because I knew the space and the support at the University Centre was excellent. I came here when I was 16 and studied my Level 3 in Photography, then Stepped Up to a degree. It was a total accident but I've ended up doing five years of it so I must like it! I love the independence of the course and being able to reflect back on the development of my skills since I started here.

The staff are so genuine too, they're really passionate about what they do. For them, it's not just a job. You get loads of great advice for once you've finished your degree, it's hard to learn that from a book. We always get different industry stories from different tutors – you learn best on the job.

Alfie Flounders
Digital Arts student

Click here for the full story.

BA (Hons) Photography (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS Points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W640

This practical degree is affiliated with the Association of Photography and will teach you fundamental technical and studio skills, such as lighting, camera operation, dark room practice and location photography. Developed in consultation with photographer Christine Harding, Mark Taylor and Mike Baster, this degree is focused on commercial photography and 'capturing a moment'. You will be passionate about the visual world and have strong communication skills, vital on any photo shoot. You will study topics such as composition and the history of photography as well as covering areas of photography, including still life, portraiture, food and editorial to help you become a well-rounded photographer.

BA (Hons) Film, TV and Media Production (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Pass or higher in Level 5 Foundation Degree, Diploma in Higher Education or HND (related art and design subjects)

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W6P6

Get ready for action with this BA (Hons) Film, TV and Media Production (Top-Up) degree, which helps you put your Level 5 skills into practice. You'll self-direct a major project by developing, producing and distributing a commercially viable drama, documentary or corporate video. With support from creative industry networks, you'll be encouraged to submit work to local and national film festivals. Practical workshops and masterclasses underpin the year, helping you refine production skills and evaluate your creative process.

BA (Hons) Graphic Communication (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W214

This hands-on, practical Graphic Communication degree will teach you the fundamental processes and principles of graphic communication, digital design and creative advertising. You will study topics such as branding, user design and user interface and apply your learning in a real-life working context by solving communication-based issues for clients. You will be highly creative, a problem solver and enjoy drawing as well as digital techniques. You will be taught by tutors with many years of experience working in the industry who will support you to develop your professional skills and your ability to work as part of a multidisciplinary team.

BA (Hons) Animation (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W29

The BA (Hons) Animation (Top-Up) degree helps you develop advanced skills in Digital Arts and prepares you for a career in the animation industry. Combining theoretical and practical modules, it encourages independent research and critical thinking so you graduate ready for a fast-evolving field. You'll learn from industry-experienced tutors and benefit from access to a professional Animation Studio. Facilities include 24-inch Cintiq Pro graphics tablets, a green screen, stop-motion equipment, and industry-standard software, giving you hands-on experience with the tools used in the industry today.

Industry supporters

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Energy students study at our Energy Academy.

energy

Overview

The energy industry is growing at a rapid pace and the need for experienced graduates with the skills for industry is increasing every year. An Energy Engineering degree at Newcastle College University Centre will give you the experience, knowledge and skills to become a multi-skilled and proficient graduate.

As a technical and methodical thinker, you will be passionate about building a career within the energy sector. Our Energy Engineering degrees have been designed alongside our industry supporters including Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult, Royal IHC, Subsea North East and Port Training Services, and will give you experience of energy engineering in a real-working environment.

Learning at our purpose-built Energy Academy, you will have access to industry standard facilities, such as wind turbine nacelle simulators, and develop your knowledge of design, hydraulics, electrical and mechanical systems and maintenance.

Industry-related careers

- Analysis Engineer
- Energy Engineer
- Energy Manager
- Field and Inspection Engineer
- Research and Development Engineer
- Renewables Design Engineer
- Sustainability Consultant.

Study with us and you will:

- study at our Energy Academy – a centre for innovation, training and development for the offshore renewables and energy sector.
- have the opportunity to undertake industry visits to enrich your studies.
- prepare for work in the energy sector with industry-standard equipment including wind turbine nacelles, inspection drones, fluid power labs and VR maintenance headsets.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- build valuable employer contacts through networking events.

Click here
to find out more about our Energy degree courses.

FdEng Energy Engineering

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points*

UCAS Code: H221

Our Energy Engineering degrees are designed with industry partners including Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult, Royal IHC, Renewable Field Services, Subsea North East, Port Training Services, Green Leaf, and Crowdhouse. Studying at our purpose-built Energy Academy, you will access industry-standard facilities such as Festo wind simulators, solar equipment and DJI technology including the M300RTK and Zenmuse systems. You will develop skills in design and hydraulics, gaining practical, industry-relevant experience to support your future in energy engineering.

*Must be in engineering/maths and/or science disciplines.

BEng (Hons) Energy Engineering (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Relevant Foundation Degree in Engineering, Maths and/or Science subjects.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: HH42

The £250 million investment in the wind sector is set to triple the number of jobs by 2030. This Top-Up degree, taught at our specialist Energy Academy, will help create multi-skilled, work-ready graduates who can make an impact in the energy sector. Supported by employers including Offshore Renewable Energy Catapult and Royal IHC, you will gain an in-depth understanding of renewable energy engineering while using industry-standard facilities and equipment. Modules allow you to focus your learning in the area you are most passionate about, supported by the versatility of the Energy Academy's resources.

As the sector continues to evolve towards renewable and sustainable technologies, it's essential that our teaching within the Energy Academy reflects both current industry standards and future demands. With access to industry-standard equipment and facilities, we provide students with hands-on experience that closely mirrors real working environments.

I take great pride in supporting learners to develop strong technical skills, professional confidence and the mindset needed to succeed and contribute positively to the future of the energy industry.

Paul Turnbull
Head of Curriculum

Engineering students study in our Rutherford Building.

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engineering

Overview

As an Engineering student at Newcastle College University Centre, you will thrive as you develop the skills you need for a successful career in industry.

Learning in our industry-standard facilities, you will have access to our state-of-the-art Advanced Manufacturing Suite and Design Centre with equipment such as CNCs, industrial robotics, 3D printers, CAD software, precision measuring equipment and manual workshop machinery.

You will be encouraged to apply for, and work towards, IEng status, giving you the edge as an Engineering graduate. Our degrees are linked extensively with industry too. You will have the opportunity to work with big names in the industry throughout your studies including IMechE, Baker Hughes, Extreme Robots, Accuris and CMI.

If you're looking to build a rewarding career, start your engineering journey with us.

Industry-related careers

- Automation Engineer
- Design Engineer
- Electrical Engineer
- Electronics Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer
- Mechatronics Engineer.

Study with us and you will:

- access a CNC workshop including industry-standard five axis CNC machines, fabrication workshop, manual machine shop and an additive manufacturing suite with 3D printing and industry-standard design software including SolidWorks.
- access electronic equipment including PLCs, microprocessors, automation equipment and software including MATLAB and Multisim.
- have the opportunity to engage with industry to enrich your studies.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- build valuable employer contacts through networking events.

Click here to find out more about our Engineering degree courses.

FdEng Engineering

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS* or direct entry to Year 2 with a relevant HNC or Level 4.

UCAS Code: HH40

This FdEng Engineering course is designed to kick-start your engineering career, developing your skills in a specific discipline and providing a strong engineering foundation. You will build upon your basic engineering knowledge and develop advanced practical and theoretical skills in preparation for employment or further study. This Engineering course offers progression for those who have studied a related course during further education and provides an excellent balance of academic and industrial knowledge. It offers a pathway into mechanical, electrical or advanced manufacturing engineering for those who may not have any previous experience of engineering as a subject but do have a strong maths or physics background.

*Must be in engineering/maths and/or science disciplines.

BEng (Hons) Mechanical Manufacturing Engineering (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Relevant Foundation Degree or HND in Engineering, Maths and/or Science subjects.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: HH3R

This degree has been developed to offer a balance of academic and industrial knowledge to meet the needs of key employers within the North East region, along with national and international businesses. You will explore engineering principles in a range of applied mechanical applications, manufacturing systems and processes, modelling and analysis and product development, as well as gaining practical experience of destructive and non-destructive testing, finite element analysis and fracture mechanics.

I knew I wanted to do a degree in electrical engineering, so when I discovered the Electrical and Electronic Engineering degree here, it felt like a clear winner to me. The modules are similar to what you'd find at other universities, but what sets this degree apart is how the content is guided by what industry employers need today. It really gives the degree an edge and ensures you graduate with skills that are in high demand.

Athis Sriwiset
Engineering student

Click here for the full story.

BEng (Hons) Electrical Electronic Engineering (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Relevant Foundation Degree or HND in Engineering, Maths and/or Science subjects.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: H601

The BEng (Hons) Electrical Electronic Engineering (Top-Up) degree will give you advanced practical experience working with specialist facilities, including simulation software such as MATLAB, Multisim and Ansys. As an Engineering student at Newcastle College University Centre, you will have access to a range of industry-standard equipment in practical environments. During this practical degree you will study programming embedded microcontrollers and enhance practical and theoretical concepts of digital electronics and electrical power systems by studying and building digital electronic circuits used in industrial environments. You will also learn about HVDC, synchronous and asynchronous machines, and single and three phase power systems used in electrical power industrial applications. This Top-Up degree will also provide you with a balance of interpersonal skills and knowledge from using an industry led approach to electrical and electronic engineering techniques.

BSc (Hons) Engineering Management (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Relevant Foundation Degree or HND in Engineering, Maths and/or Science subjects.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: H190

This Engineering Management degree is designed to challenge the norm when it comes to efficient engineering solutions while enhancing and developing your skills in various management and leadership techniques. You will use your engineering knowledge and skills to investigate and analyse areas such as product development, project management, productivity, and competitiveness to support your career progression and/or further study.

The course is delivered by tutors with a wealth of experience in a diverse range of sectors and you will benefit from industry-experienced guest speakers including Definition IP, CMI, and Accuris. If you already work within engineering and are ready to take your career to the next level, this course is designed to help you progress into a management or leadership role.

This course is accredited by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI), and CMI membership is included in your enrolment. If you successfully complete the BSc (Hons) Engineering Management (Top-Up) degree, you will also receive a Chartered Management Institute qualification.

Health, Social Care and Counselling students study in our Parsons Building.

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health, social care and counselling

Overview

Our mission is to inspire the next generation of care workers in the UK, developing our graduates to deliver outstanding service, compassion and an unwavering dedication to good practice.

This is your first step into the world of Health, Social Care and Counselling and, as you join the community at Newcastle College University Centre, you will have the opportunity to collaborate with similar minded peers. You will learn all of the skills and knowledge you need to become an outstanding healthcare professional.

We prepare our students for careers in the Health, Social Care and Counselling sectors by providing exceptional industry standard facilities such as our Counselling Suite and in-house hospital ward with state-of-the-art simulation equipment including SimMan 3G.

If you are passionate about making a difference to the lives of others, a degree in Health, Social Care and Counselling at Newcastle College University Centre will provide you with the expertise to be that change.

Industry-related careers

- Care Worker
- Case Manager
- Counsellor
- Family Support Worker
- Healthcare Assistant
- Health Service Manager
- Nursing Associate
- Social Worker.

Study with us and you will:

- be encouraged to undertake a work placement to develop your personal and professional skills.
- benefit from industry expertise through our guest lecture series.
- work on live projects set by employers to give you an insight into your chosen sector.
- be assessed in a variety of ways including peer assessments, portfolios, presentations and essays.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors in smaller class sizes so you will really get to know your classmates.

Click here to find out more about our Health, Social Care and Counselling degree courses.

CertHE Counselling Skills and Therapeutic Communication

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: L513

The Counselling Skills and Therapeutic Communication course is the first step on your path to becoming a counsellor. This degree provides hands-on, practical learning for those who want to practise counselling or establish their own counselling service and is taught by practising counsellors with extensive professional experience. The CertHE provides excellent progression opportunities and will enable you to develop a strong understanding of the principles and practices of communication and a range of counselling approaches. You will also have the opportunity to consolidate your learning through practical counselling techniques, informed by key theories of counselling practice. Throughout the course, you will build confidence, self-awareness and ethical understanding, preparing you for further study or progression into counselling-related roles within the sector.

CertHE Healthcare Practice

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: L512

This CertHE Healthcare Practice is your first step towards studying a nursing degree. Learning in a simulated hospital environment, this vocational healthcare programme will give you the foundation clinical and nursing skills needed to progress into further nursing studies, and you will benefit from the industry experience of qualified nurses who teach on the programme. You will study topics such as psychology, sociology, anatomy and safeguarding, giving you essential foundation knowledge in nursing and healthcare practice. The course also supports the development of your communication, teamwork and reflective skills, helping you to build confidence in patient-focused care. This combination of theory and practical learning will prepare you for progression onto a nursing degree or roles within the wider healthcare sector.

FdA Youth and Community Studies

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W515

Our FdA Youth and Community Studies degree is designed to give you the knowledge, skills and hands-on experience to thrive in a rewarding career in youth and community work. You'll explore the challenges faced by young people aged 11 to 25 and learn how to support them effectively, as well as studying topics such as youth sociology, health and wellbeing and cultural change. This will help you understand the social, cultural and economic factors shaping today's communities and the issues affecting young people's lives. Through a combination of classroom learning and real-world experience, you'll apply your knowledge in work-based projects and placements, giving you the practical skills, confidence and professional insight needed for your future career in the sector.

FdSc Healthcare Practice

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: L511

This Healthcare Practice Foundation Degree is an ideal course if you are interested in the health sector and are hoping to pursue a career in a professional healthcare role. This degree will give you the clinical and nursing skills you need to become a nursing practitioner and you will benefit from the industry experience of qualified nurses who teach on this programme. You will focus on health promotion, patient care and developing safe clinical practice, while learning in a simulated hospital environment that mirrors real healthcare settings. This course has been validated by health professionals and you will benefit from industry insight through guest lectures from the NHS, helping you to understand current practice, standards and expectations within the healthcare sector.

FdA Integrated Health, Social Care and Wellbeing

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: L540

This Foundation Degree in Integrated Health, Social Care and Wellbeing will help you to understand the principles and practices of health, social care and wellbeing in the 21st century. You will study a range of subjects to prepare you for the diverse opportunities within the health and social care sector, as well as learning from the current industry expertise of our extensive range of staff, guest speakers and lecturers. You'll also explore topics such as health inequalities, mental health, psychology and social justice, developing the knowledge and skills needed to support individuals and communities across a range of settings. The course also focuses on developing your communication, reflective practice and problem-solving abilities, helping you to build confidence and progress into employment or further study.

FdSc Psychology with Sociology

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: L541

This Foundation Degree in Psychology with Sociology will help you develop a deeper understanding of how humans think and why they behave as they do, both individually and within society. You will learn from industry-specialist lecturers across a range of topics, including psychological and social theory and research, the impacts of crime, media and intimacy, the psychology of childhood and youth, quantitative research methods and statistics, and how contemporary social issues shape human development and behaviour. The course will also support you in developing critical thinking, analytical and research skills, enabling you to interpret evidence and apply theory to real-world contexts. This provides a strong foundation for progression into further study or careers within psychology, sociology and related disciplines.

BSc (Hons) Psychology with Sociology (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: An appropriate Level 5 in Psychology.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: L542

This Psychology and Sociology (Top-Up) degree will help you to develop an understanding of how humans think and why they behave as they do, both as individuals and within society. Not only will you develop a deeper understanding of yourself, but you will also develop the knowledge and skills to work effectively with a diverse range of individuals across a wide range of employment opportunities. This course is suitable for those wanting to pursue a career in the more traditional fields of psychological and social support, care and education, health and mental health services, public relations and service, research, digital media, marketing, charities, community work and social influencing.

BSc (Hons) Counselling Skills and Therapeutic Communication (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Level 5 FdSc Counselling Skills and Therapeutic Communication.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: L514

This Counselling Skills and Therapeutic Communication (Top-Up) degree will help you develop an understanding of the principles and practices of communication and counselling approaches. This Health degree will allow you to consolidate learning in practical counselling techniques informed by counselling theory. It will prepare you to support others with issues such as mental health and family or relationship challenges. Modules focus on person-centred counselling, current issues and best practice within the sector, and you will benefit from current industry expertise.

BSc (Hons) Integrated Health, Social Care and Wellbeing (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: L510

This BSc (Hons) Integrated Health, Social Care and Wellbeing (Top-Up) degree is an ideal progression route for those looking to further their qualifications in the fields of health, social care and wellbeing. Learn from tutors with extensive industry experience while you build the skills and knowledge needed to gain higher-level jobs in the healthcare industry. You will learn how to respond proactively to changes in the health and social care sector, including developing new strategies for improving community health and wellbeing, while gaining experience to lead and manage healthcare sector workers across a range of disciplines.

BSc (Hons) Public Health and Health Improvement (Top-Up)

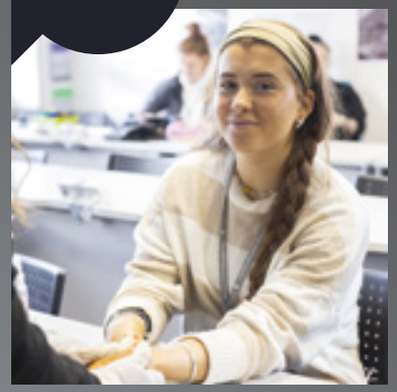
Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: C2U8

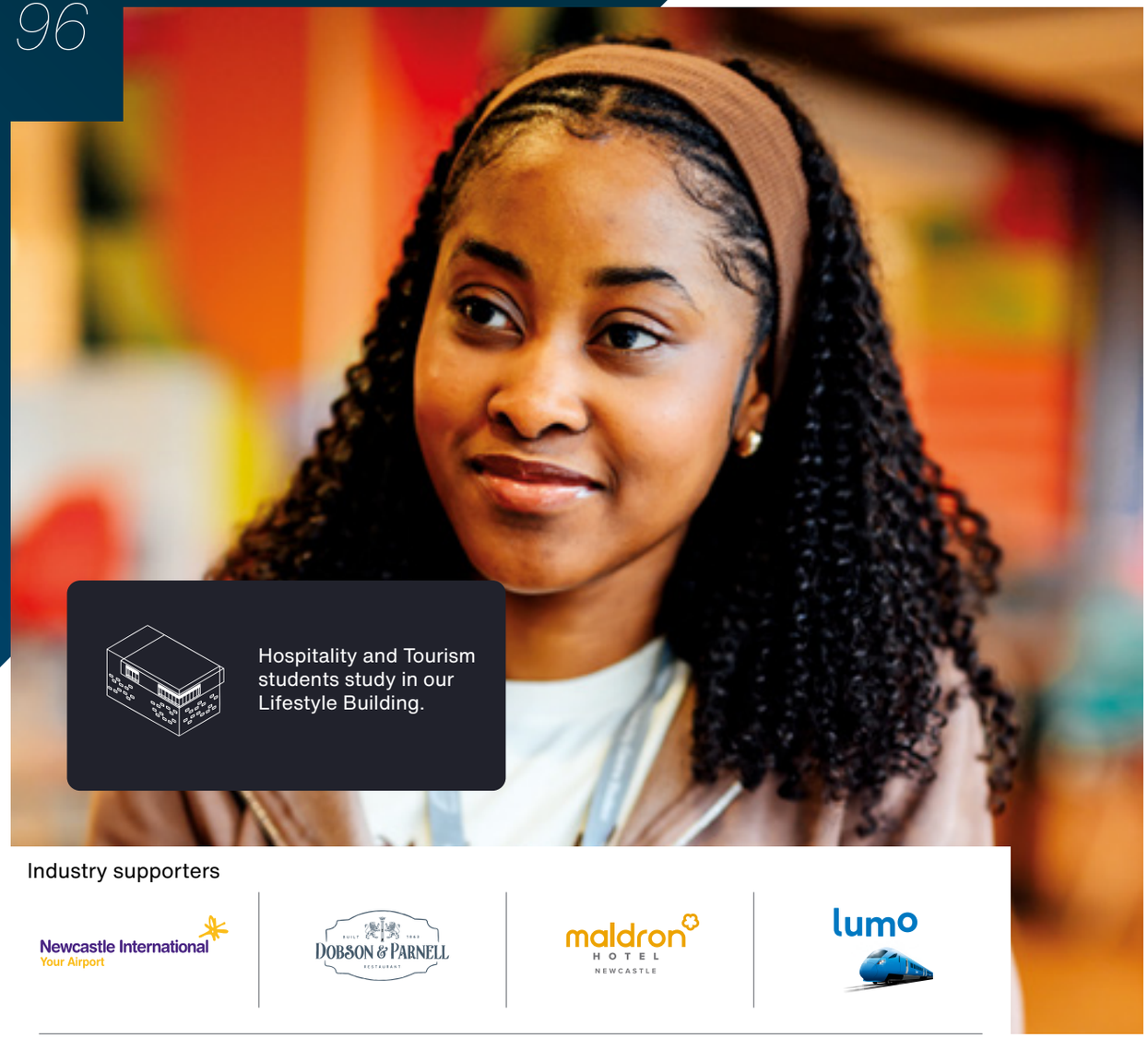
This BSc (Hons) Public Health and Health Improvement (Top-Up) degree will equip you with the skills and knowledge to improve and protect public health and the wellbeing of individuals, communities and populations. You will develop an understanding of the principles and practices of public health and health improvement in the 21st century to tackle major health challenges and reduce inequalities at global, national and local levels. As part of this course, you will have the opportunity to work on live briefs from the Newcastle Public Health Team as well as the opportunity to shadow Public Health Practitioners at work to give you an idea of what it is really like to work in the sector.



From the very start, the University Centre was incredibly supportive. They helped me see the bigger picture and were genuinely invested in helping me get to where I needed to be. Looking back, I know I made the right choice and I couldn't be more grateful for everything the University Centre has done for me.

Laura Paxton
Health, Social Care and Counselling student

Click here to see our Health and Social Care students in action!



Hospitality and Tourism students study in our Lifestyle Building.

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Click here to find out more about our Hospitality degree courses.

hospitality and tourism

Overview

Study a Hospitality, Tourism or Aviation Operations degree at Newcastle College University Centre and benefit from 80 years of expertise and excellence.

As part of our Hospitality degrees, we work with some of the North East's top hospitality companies such as 21 Group, Blackfriars and Maldron Hotels, giving our students work placement opportunities and enhanced career prospects. Our Hospitality degrees are written in collaboration with our industry partners to ensure our graduates are equipped with contemporary and classical skills, knowledge and behaviours to be successful in the culinary field.

Our Tourism and Aviation Operation students work with the best too. Throughout your degree you will have the opportunity to work together with some of the best names in the industry. Previous collaborators have included Laverock Law, Securicare, Newcastle International Airport, Jet2, TUI, Utilita Arena, Lumley Castle and Emirates.

Industry-related careers

- Assistant Restaurant Manager
- Cabin Crew
- Catering Manager
- Department Manager
- Events Management
- Head Chef
- Hotel Manager
- Junior Manager
- Passenger Services
- Restaurant Manager
- Sous Chef
- Travel Agency Manager.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to undertake exciting work placements to gain practical work experience.
- really get to know your classmates through learning in smaller class sizes.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- be assessed in a variety of ways including written assignments, portfolios and reports.
- benefit from industry insight through our guest speaker lecture series.
- have the chance to work on live projects set by employers.

Click here to find out more about our Tourism and Aviation Operations degree courses.

FdA Airline and Airport Management

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: N853

Watch your career soar with an Airline and Airport Management degree. This Foundation Degree is perfect if you have a passion for the aviation industry and are looking to work in an airport setting within management or at an operational level. You will study topics such as ground handling management, aviation, safety, security and risk management from tutors who have many years of experience in industry, working at commercial airports and airlines. Through studying this degree, you will develop your professional skills such as communication, leadership and teamwork.

Since starting my degree, I've developed so many transferable skills and discovered career paths I never would have considered such as events management, marketing and real estate. I never imagined these opportunities would be possible for me, but studying here has really opened my eyes to what I can achieve.

I've also gained confidence in my abilities and feel more prepared for the future as I explore these different opportunities. The support from tutors and the variety of experiences available have helped me grow both personally and professionally, giving me the motivation to pursue a career I am truly passionate about.

Chloe Murphy
Hospitality and Tourism Student

FdA Culinary Arts

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 32–64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: N850

If you are an aspiring chef or looking to pursue a career in hospitality management or food development, this Culinary Arts degree will help you get there. Building on your existing cookery skills, you will develop advanced culinary knowledge and techniques, as well as the skills needed to market, develop and manage a range of food businesses. You will explore gastronomy and innovation in food, the latest food trends, and expand your understanding of key industry areas including dietary requirements, menu planning, sustainability and managing finances. This degree was developed with the support of local chefs including David Kennedy and Ruth Hansom, and you will learn from tutors with experience working in Michelin Star environments, gaining valuable insight into high-level professional kitchens.

BA (Hons) Culinary Arts Management (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: N851

Are you an industry professional or aspiring student chef looking to further develop your culinary skills and knowledge? Developed in collaboration with award-winning local chefs, restaurants, professional establishments, hospitality, retail and local government, this Top-Up degree can help you further your career in hospitality management or food development. Learning from tutors with Michelin star experience, you will build on your existing culinary knowledge, skills and behaviours to develop management practices all while exploring gastronomy and innovation in the latest food trends.

FdA Tourism and Events Management

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: N890

This Tourism and Events Management Foundation Degree will help you to develop the knowledge and skills needed to succeed in the global tourism and events industry. You will gain the practical management tools you need to manage and market a range of tourism and events businesses and benefit from close working links with local industry - previous collaborators have included Utilita Arena and Lumley Castle. You will study topics such as core concepts of event planning, marketing and social media from tutors who have many years of experience in industry, working in Tourism and Events settings.

BA (Hons) Tourism and Aviation Management (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: N856

Whether your dream is to work for an airline or in an airport, cruise line or rail company, a hotel or in events management, this degree will give you the tools to take on a management role within the broader travel industry. Whether you have studied a Foundation Degree in these areas, or if you are interested in developing your knowledge of management, this innovative degree could be perfect for you. During your degree, you will have the opportunity to network with employers, build a professional online profile and participate in guest lectures and live briefs to support your personal and professional development.

Music students study in our Performance Academy.

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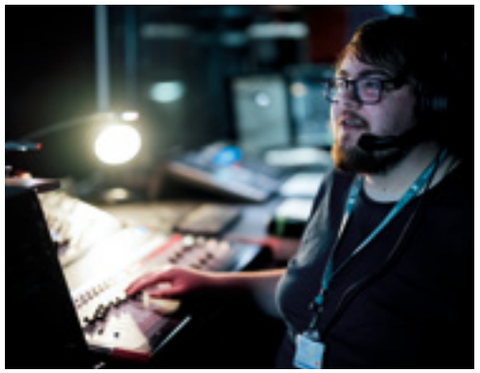
music

Overview

As a Music student at Newcastle College University Centre, you will be joining a creative community with a passion for developing and refining talent.

Our Music courses are hands-on, giving you that practical experience to set you apart from the rest. Our facilities will help you to build and establish your skills ready for an exciting career in industry. During your studies you will have access to 10 recording studios and our gig space, The Venue, as well as working in industry-standard facilities with industry-experienced tutors. You will also have regular visits to some of our industry partner venues such as NX, The Cluny, Blank Studios, Little Buildings and guest lectures from Generator, Man Power and many more.



Click here to find out more about our Music degree courses.

Industry-related careers

- DJ
- Front of House Engineer
- Live or Studio Performer
- Monitor Engineer
- Musician (live and electronic music)
- Music Producer
- Music Teacher
- Sound Designer
- Sound Engineer.

Study with us and you will:

- have exposure to some of the largest labels in the country such as Warner Music and an opportunity to gain a paid internship with them.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- benefit from guest speaker lectures to gain industry insight.
- be assessed in a variety of ways including portfolios, projects and reports.
- learn in smaller class sizes so you really get to know your classmates and tutors.
- be supported to self-release your own music through platforms like Spotify.

FdA Music and Sound Production

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W300

If you're passionate about music and want industry-level skills, this FdA Music and Sound Production degree is the perfect place to start. Based in The Performance Academy, you'll train in professional studios and live venues, building expertise in recording, mixing, sound design and live sound. You'll explore production analysis, synthesis and the modern music industry, while developing the practical skills to run sessions safely and effectively. You'll work with industry-standard software and equipment, collaborate with performers and technicians, and build a professional portfolio that showcases your strengths across studio and live environments. The course also supports your creative development, helping you refine your sound, expand your technical ability and prepare for progression into the music and audio industry.

FdA Live Performance Technical Production

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W451

The Live Performance Technical Production Foundation Degree gives you the hands-on skills and knowhow you need to work as a technician in live events, music and theatre. Created by industry experts, the course lets you get to grips with the real systems and processes behind live sound, video, staging and lighting. You'll grow your technical confidence through practical experience in theatres and music venues, learning about different technical, production and stage management roles. You'll also work with our Music and Performing Arts students within The Performance Academy in our own Peter Sarah Theatre, and externally in the Live Across Newcastle Performance Season, gaining experience in venues like Theatre Royal, Northern Stage, The Exchange, Gosforth Civic Theatre, Tyneside Cinema and more.

BMus (Hons) Popular Music Performance

Duration: 3 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W340

The BMus (Hons) Popular Music Performance degree will help you develop your musical ability as a performer and songwriter. Based in The Performance Academy, you will build a deep understanding of live performance, composition, studio production and music marketing, while collaborating with like-minded students to create and promote shows in our Peter Sarah Theatre and at venues across Newcastle. You will develop confidence to compose, perform and release your own original music, supported by industry experienced tutors and real performance opportunities. Whether you want to record, write for film and TV or work as a session musician, this degree prepares you for industry.

BA (Hons) Music and Sound Production (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W302

Take your audio skills to the next level with the BA (Hons) Music and Sound Production (Top-Up). Building on Level 5 study or industry experience, you'll refine your specialist practice across production, audio analysis and sound design while developing a professional portfolio. You'll work in industry standard studios and live environments, supported by industry experienced staff, and explore commercial and creative approaches to releasing work. The course prepares you for careers in production, recording, live sound and related creative roles.

My favourite modules to teach are studio-based. My area of expertise is working with musicians in recording studios and helping them to develop their material. It's great to hear students come in with raw ideas and then see them develop over time.

I am passionate about creating a supportive and collaborative environment where students feel confident to experiment and refine their sound. Seeing their creativity grow and helping them produce work they are proud of is one of the most rewarding aspects of teaching, and I enjoy guiding them towards industry-ready outcomes.

Jonny Burgess
Lecturer

Music students study in our Performance Academy.

Industry supporters

performing arts

Overview

The Performance Academy at Newcastle College University Centre offers a broad range of specialist one, two and three-year degrees leading to BA (Hons) degrees in Acting for Stage and Screen, Musical Theatre and Dance. As a dancer, actor or musical theatre student you will develop your skills and gain a wealth of industry experience to prepare you for an exciting and successful career in your chosen industry.

Our degrees are all about providing you with the technical, performance and creative skills needed to thrive within Performing Arts. You will study in our state-of-the-art Performance Academy building and perform in our very own Peter Sarah Theatre, as well as honing your craft and learning from tutors who will offer their industry experience and in-depth knowledge to create industry standard works and productions.

Our alumni have gone on to have fulfilling and successful careers as performers, choreographers, directors, writers, teachers and performing arts producers – locally, nationally and internationally. As a graduate of The Performance Academy, you will join an array of artists and performers who have tread the boards before you, showcasing the very best talent Newcastle College University Centre has to offer.

Click here to find out more about our Performing Arts degree courses.

Industry-related careers

- Actor
- Choreographer
- Dancer
- Lighting Designer
- Musical Theatre Performer
- Singer
- Sound Technician
- Teacher
- Theatre Director
- Theatre Technician
- Touring Manager.

Study with us and you will:

- enjoy a range of workshops with organisations and industry professionals such as The Theatre Royal, Northern Stage, Fertile Ground, Elliot Smith Dance, LoGuidice Dance and Zac Healey.
- learn in smaller groups so you will really get the support you need from your course tutors.
- benefit from guest lectures and workshops with leading industry professionals such as Katie Brace, an alumni and West End performer from Hairspray and Grease, and Emma Katie Adcock, an alumni and West End performer from Starlight Express.
- study and create in our specialist facilities including a 200-seat theatre, TV studio, music venue, recording studios, production areas and dance studios.

CertHE Musical Theatre

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W390

Step into the spotlight with this dynamic and highly practical one-year Musical Theatre degree. You will train intensively in singing, dance and acting, building versatile performance skills aligned with the demands of contemporary West End productions. At The Performance Academy, you'll take part in comprehensive training in solo and ensemble singing, jazz, ballet and tap dance, acting for stage, alongside choreography, staging and musical theatre workshops. This ensures you are just as confident commanding the stage as you are understanding the creative process behind it. Taught by highly experienced industry professionals, the course draws on strong professional networks and expert guidance in audition technique, helping you develop a competitive portfolio to support your future training and career progression.

CertHE Dance Performance

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W502

Our intensive one-year Dance Performance course is designed by professional dance practitioners to develop the skills and knowledge you need to become a performer, choreographer or teacher. Based in The Performance Academy, you'll train in Commercial, Jazz, Contemporary and Ballet, and explore a variety of movement styles through performance opportunities, including the national Can You Dance convention, Theatre Royal Newcastle and Gosforth Civic Theatre. You'll work as a simulated dance company in creative projects led by expert teachers and guest choreographers, and you'll have the opportunity to undertake IDTA teaching qualifications alongside your studies.

I chose to study at Newcastle College University Centre because my degree offers a much wider variety of dance styles compared to other universities. I'd spoken to a few of my friends who had studied here and they all said that as part of the degree you do a lot of performances, workshops and work with industry - all things I was looking for!

Tegan Walmsley
Performing Arts Student

Click here for the full story.

FdA Musical Theatre

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: W391

Take centre stage and become part of the greatest show as you combine dancing, singing, and acting in this highly practical, industry-integrated Musical Theatre Foundation Degree. Based within The Performance Academy, you will engage in intensive performance- and technique-focused training, developing your vocal skills, physicality, and characterisation alongside theoretical study of musical theatre genres. Guided by highly experienced and well-connected tutors, you will take part in a wide range of classes, workshops, and audition training designed to broaden your performance repertoire and confidence. You will also have opportunities to take on leading roles within our productions staged in a variety of regional theatre venues across Newcastle.

BA (Hons) Dance

Duration: 3 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W500

Designed by professional dance practitioners, this degree combines training and performance with creative workshops and academic study. Based in The Performance Academy, you'll train in Contemporary, Ballet, Jazz and Commercial styles, and your creativity will be challenged through industry workshops with choreographers to create new work. You'll learn from highly experienced tutors and their professional networks, and build audition technique and performance experience in our Peter Sarah Theatre and at regional and national venues.

BA (Hons) Acting for Stage and Screen

Duration: 3 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W410

Prepare for a professional career in theatre, film or television on the BA (Hons) Acting for Stage and Screen degree at The Performance Academy. This industry-focused programme combines practical performance training with academic and creative study to develop confident, employable performers. You'll perform at Theatre Royal Newcastle as part of National Theatre Connections and work with actors, directors and casting agents to develop audition, self-taping and professional presentation skills throughout the programme. You will explore performance techniques for both stage and screen, refining your ability to create believable characters in different contexts.

BA (Hons) Musical Theatre (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

UCAS Code: W393

Put your career centre stage and advance your professional skills in acting, singing and dance with this practical, industry-integrated Musical Theatre Top-Up degree. As a member of The Company, you'll create, direct, choreograph and perform an original musical theatre work for a regional venue as part of the Live Across Newcastle season. This immersive project develops skills across writing, musical direction and performance, and you'll work closely with expert industry professionals to refine your style and graduate ready for a professional career.

Rail and Civil students study in our Rail and Civil Engineering Academy.

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rail and civil engineering

Overview

Our Rail and Civil Engineering Academy is renowned for delivering some of the UK's most in-depth training in the rail and civil engineering sectors.

Whether you have a keen interest in the rail and civil industries or have a technical problem-solving mind, a degree from Newcastle College University Centre will provide you with an excellent foundation for a rewarding career in these vital sectors. As a degree student, you will learn from industry experienced tutors in our Rail and Civil Engineering Academy. Our facilities feature an indoor and outdoor track, overhead lines, level crossings and signalling infrastructure as well as being equipped with a soils laboratory, surveying structure and electronics lab. Our employer partnerships will help you to thrive.

Our Rail and Civil degrees have been created alongside some of the biggest names in industry and provide you with the opportunity to experience and problem-solve real-life scenarios.

Industry-related careers

- Civil Engineer
- Engineering Technician
- Railway Manager
- Rail Technician
- Track Maintenance
- Transport Manager
- Transport Planner.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to undertake industry visits to enrich your studies.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- build valuable employer contacts through networking events.
- train in an instrumentation centre.
- develop your skills in state-of-the-art facilities at the Rail and Civil Engineering Academy, providing you with industry standard equipment and insight.

Click here to find out more about our Rail and Civil degree courses.

HNC Civil Engineering

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: H203

If you have an interest in how the world around us is designed, created and connected, this Civil Engineering course is perfect for you. Supported by CECA North East and Robertson Civil Engineering, you will focus on construction and civil engineering techniques, maths and structures, technical drawing and design, and project and strategy management. You will be taught by civil engineers who are still active in industry, broadening your understanding while developing your technical, analytical and problem-solving skills. You will have access to a soils lab, electronics lab, surveying equipment, total stations and a CAD suite to help develop your practical skills. The course also supports your progression into employment or further study, preparing you for a career in the civil engineering and construction industry.

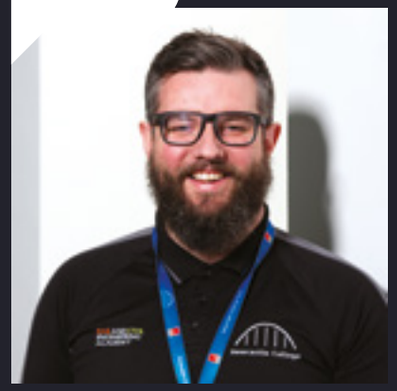
FdEng Rail Engineering

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: H201

It is estimated that the rail industry will need 50,000 new workers by 2033. This Rail Engineering degree will equip you with multidisciplinary rail engineering and management skills to help you enter the industry. The only degree of its kind in the North East, the course will enable you to develop knowledge and practical skills in track maintenance, overhead lines, electrification and signalling, coupled with management skills so you are able to pursue high-level roles within the rail industry. You will be taught by tutors who actively work within the rail industry and will be based at our dedicated Rail and Civil Engineering Academy, benefiting from links with Nexus, Network Rail, Vital and Cross Country.



The courses have been written with the needs and wants of industry in mind. Our Rail and Civil degrees have been informed by industry leaders, ensuring our students are studying the most recent and relevant modules. Furthermore, the support students receive both academically and personally is outstanding.

We are committed to equipping students with the practical skills, knowledge and confidence needed to thrive in their chosen careers. By maintaining strong links with industry and providing a supportive learning environment, we ensure our graduates are well-prepared to meet current and future demands within the sector.

Dan Hegarty
Curriculum Leader

When I decided to do a degree, I searched on UCAS and found that only a few universities offered a higher education course in Rail Engineering. Newcastle College University Centre stood out as the friendliest, with the best facilities and experienced staff so I knew it was the right place for me. Newcastle is a great city to study in too – everything is within walking distance which makes student life so much easier!

Amie Cowley
Rail And Civil Student

Click here for the full story.

Science students study in our Parsons Building.

science

Overview

Choosing Science at Newcastle College University Centre will provide you with the scientific expertise needed to make a real difference in the world. Whether your passion lies in Biology, Chemistry or Physics, our degrees will offer you invaluable hands-on experience in our state-of-the-art labs, access to the latest research and the opportunity to apply your learning to solve real-world problems.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to access fully equipped modern science labs.
- gain practical experience using industry standard equipment for biological and chemical experiments.
- work in microbiology analysis labs and develop your expertise in microbiological techniques, including culturing, identifying and analysing microorganisms.
- train in an instrumentation centre.
- learn to operate advanced analytical instruments used in scientific research and industry, ensuring you are confident in laboratory procedures.

Click here
to find out more about our Science degree courses.

Industry-related careers

- Biochemist
- Biological Scientist
- Chemical Scientist
- Physical Scientist.

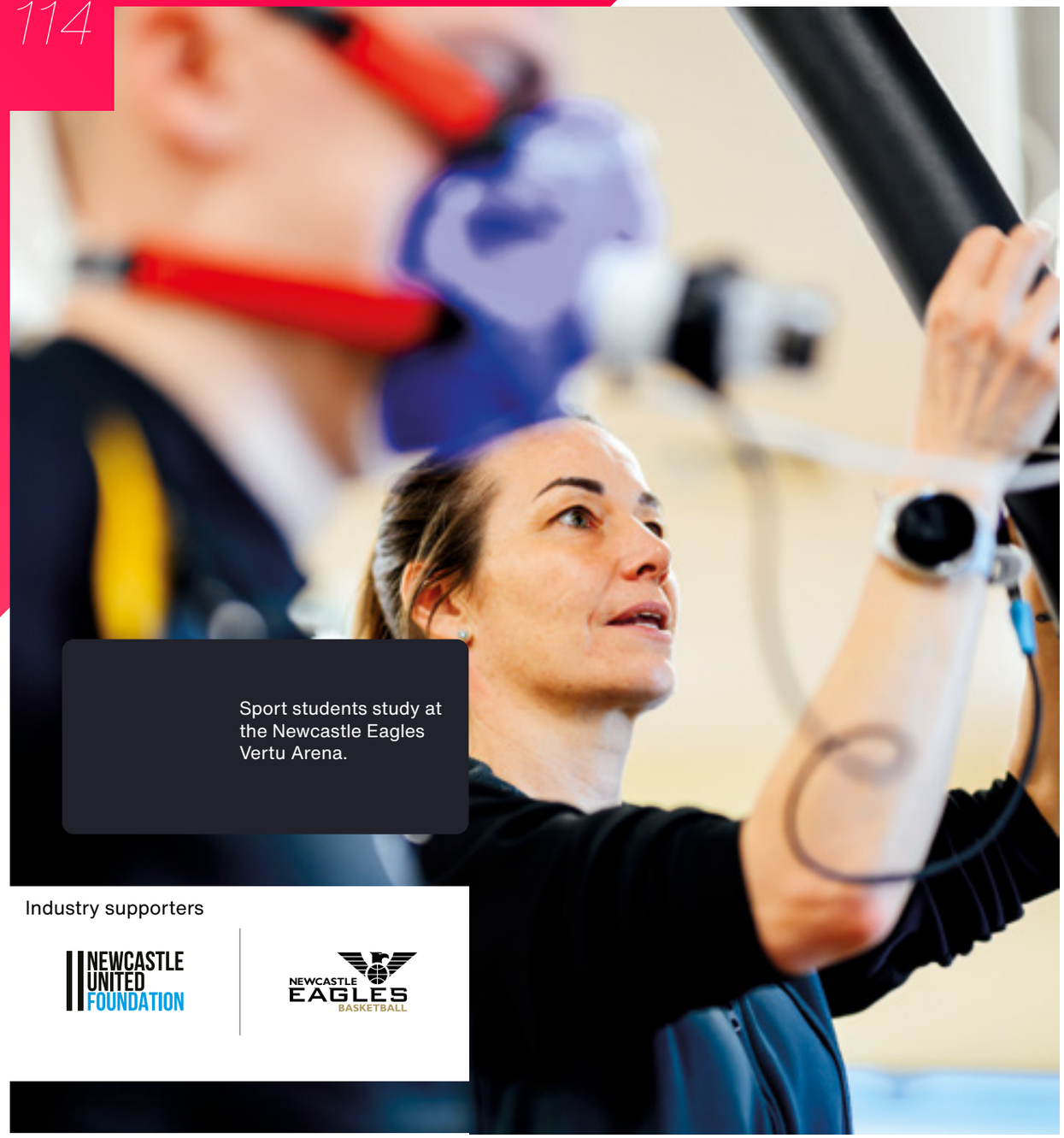
FdSc Applied Science

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: J702

Are you looking for a degree that develops your understanding of biology and chemistry fundamentals? Throughout this degree you will explore how the human body functions in health and disease, healthcare systems and technologies and key principles of organic and inorganic chemistry. You will gain both theoretical and practical experience in analytical chemistry and study how matter behaves at the atomic and molecular scale in physical chemistry. You will also learn about the immune system, develop microbiological techniques and discover the principles of biomedical science.



Sport students study at the Newcastle Eagles Vertu Arena.

Industry supporters

NEWCASTLE UNITED FOUNDATION

NEWCASTLE EAGLES BASKETBALL

Click here to see our Sport and Exercise Science students in action!

Click here to see our Sports Coaching students in action!

sport

Overview

As a Sport student, you understand what it means to harness the transformative power of sport and exercise, whether you are supporting local communities, coaching elite performance athletes or helping people discover their hidden strengths through exercise and rehabilitation.

Sport courses at Newcastle College University Centre are your opportunity to immerse yourself in sport and exercise and pursue your dream career, learning from leading sport and exercise professionals. During your studies you will have the unrivalled opportunity to learn alongside three of the UK's biggest clubs: Newcastle Eagles, Newcastle Falcons and Newcastle United Foundation.

Our tutors are also top-class. Among their ranks include a professional sports performance analyst, a Premier League nutritionist, an international futsal player and a Northern Ireland Women's Football captain with over 50 caps. You will study in fantastic facilities, including those of our professional sports partners, alongside like-minded students, developing your skills and knowledge ready for a fulfilling career in the sport industry.

Industry-related careers

- Exercise Rehabilitator
- PE Teacher
- Personal Trainer
- Physiotherapist
- Sports Administrator
- Sports Coach
- Sports Nutritionist
- Sports Therapist
- Strength and Conditioning Coach.

Study with us and you will:

- have the opportunity to undertake exciting work placements.
- be taught by industry-experienced tutors who know what it takes to succeed.
- really get to know your classmates through learning in smaller class sizes.
- have the chance to undertake additional qualifications such as first aid awards to enhance your employability.
- have the opportunity to gain relevant and rewarding work experience in countries such as Italy, Malta and South Africa.

Click here to find out more about our Sport degree courses.

FdSc Physical Education and Sports Coaching

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: CX61

Do you have an interest in working with children and young people in a sport or education setting? We have worked closely with organisations such as North East SCITT, Newcastle United Foundation and The Percy Hedley Foundation to develop this Physical Education and Sports Coaching degree, ensuring it provides valuable industry experience. You will study topics including the National Curriculum, coaching and teaching styles, child development and SEN, while gaining event management experience through planning and delivering a sporting event. These experiences will help prepare you for careers in education, sports coaching, community sport and youth development, as well as progression to further study.

FdSc Sport and Exercise Science

Duration: 2 years

Entry requirements: 64 UCAS points

UCAS Code: CB70

Do you have the drive and passion to work in the sports sector? Our FdSc Sport and Exercise Science degree could be the ideal degree for you. During this degree you will study a range of subjects including an in-depth introduction to the fundamentals of Sport and Exercise Physiology and Sport and Exercise Science in Practice, whilst developing an understanding of functional anatomy and human biomechanics. You will benefit from learning in fantastic facilities, including a biomechanics lab, conditioning suite, sports hall and therapy clinic and learn from staff with a wealth of experience working within amateur and professional sports. You will also benefit from current industry expertise through guest speakers and lectures.

BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Science (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

UCAS Code: CB17

As a student on the BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Science (Top-Up) degree, you will take your passion for sport and exercise science to the next level. This one-year course is designed for those who have already completed a Foundation Degree in Sport and Exercise Science or a related field, allowing you to deepen your knowledge and specialise in areas that match your career goals. Whether you're interested in rehabilitation, strength and conditioning, applied physiology, or coaching, this course will help you tailor your learning and focus on what excites you most. You will explore advanced scientific principles and their practical application, equipping you with the skills to thrive in the ever-evolving sports industry.

BSc (Hons) Applied Physical Education and Sports Coaching (Top-Up)

Duration: 1 year

Entry requirements: Foundation Degree or equivalent in a related area.

International applicants: IELTS 6.0 overall (minimum 5.5 per component)

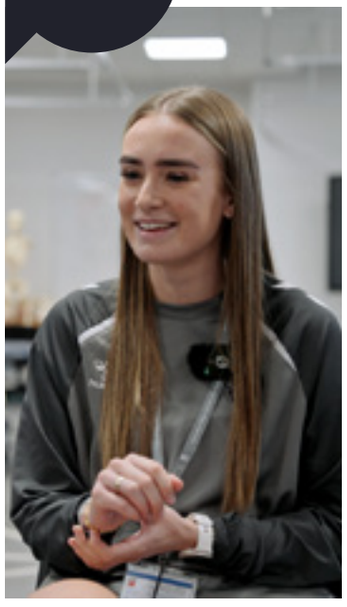
UCAS Code: 7F3M

As a student on the BSc (Hons) Applied Physical Education and Sports Coaching (Top-Up) degree you will become an effective team player, grow your passion for physical education and sports coaching as well as being committed to improving the health and fitness of young people. This degree has been developed in response to recommendations from industry partners in the sector, such as Newcastle United Foundation, to ensure you study a degree that is relevant to industry and what it needs. Within this degree, you will gain higher-level knowledge and cover topics including the psychology of sport and concepts of teaching and learning.

The part I enjoy most about my degree is the wide range of subjects you get to explore. It's exciting to dive into areas you wouldn't typically associate with teaching and coaching, like the psychological side of things. It's a great mix that keeps things interesting and really engaging. It really makes the learning feel dynamic, which is exactly what I'm looking for in a degree.

Charlotte Grant
Sport Student

Click here to read more.



The hands-on experience in the industry is absolutely priceless. The way the course is structured meant I was exposed to the realities of working in sport from an early stage, and I feel ready to progress into employment.

Leah McCafferty
Sport Student

Click here to hear more.

entry requirements

Studying With Us

We believe in lifelong learning and are committed to encouraging and expanding widening participation opportunities at Newcastle College University Centre. Our entry requirements outlined below give an indication as to what may be required for your chosen course.

We consider A Levels, T-Levels, BTECs, International Baccalaureate, Scottish Advanced Highers, Access to Higher Education Diploma Courses (approved by the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA)), Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art and Design), NVQ Level 3 qualifications and Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeships.

For specific entry requirements, please email **HErecruitment@ncl-coll.ac.uk**

We would also encourage applications from students studying a Foundation Degree, HND or Diploma in Higher Education at other institutions, or Level 4/5 of a Degree Apprenticeship, to apply for the third and final year of an Honours Degree or a one-year Honours Degree (Top-Up). Overseas qualifications will also be considered and for specific entry requirements please email **HErecruitment@ncl-coll.ac.uk**

UCAS Tariff

We use the UCAS Tariff system to assess your qualifications and make the most appropriate offer. Beyond the points total, we also assess the suitability of your qualifications for your chosen degree. Always check the individual UCAS Programme Profile for the latest details. Some courses may require a number of points from specific subjects within your overall tariff score.

Typical Entry Requirements

Typical entry requirements are given for guidance only. Please view the individual Programme Profile at www.ucas.com for more detailed information.

- Certificate in Higher Education (CertHE): **48 UCAS Tariff Points**
- Foundation Degree: **48–64 UCAS Tariff Points**
- Honours Degree: **48–80 UCAS Tariff Points**
- Honours Degree (Top-Up): **Pass or higher in a relevant Level 5 qualification**

GCSE

We normally expect applicants to have achieved (or be working towards) **grade 4 (C) in English Language and Mathematics** at the time of enrolment. We will also accept **Functional Skills Level 2** or **Adult Numeracy and Literacy Certificates** in place of GCSE English Language and GCSE Mathematics for some programmes.

Please note: certain professions (e.g. Children and Young People, Sport, Engineering, Teaching) require graduates to have a minimum grade C (4) in both GCSE English Language and Mathematics.

what else do we offer?

Our Courses

Newcastle College offers hundreds of courses at a range of different levels so you are sure to find something to suit your career aspirations.

Employer Training

We offer a comprehensive range of business solutions that enable your business to maximise the development of your workforce. Whether you are looking to recruit and train new staff, upskill existing employees or develop your senior managers, we have options that will suit your business. For further information

visit www.ncuc.ac.uk/employers or call **0191 200 4757**.

Advanced and Higher Level Apprenticeships

Newcastle College offers a wide range of apprenticeships covering many industries and sectors. Advanced apprenticeships are Level 3 qualifications, which are equivalent to two A Levels, and Higher Level apprenticeships are Level 4–5 qualifications, equivalent to a Foundation Degree. To find out more visit www.ncl-coll.ac.uk/advanced-apprenticeships

Degree Apprenticeships

A Degree Apprenticeship is a three-year work-based qualification that combines invaluable on-the-job work experience with studying for an Honours Degree. For more information email **apprenticeships@ncl-coll.ac.uk**

School Leavers

Newcastle College offers a wide full-time 16–18 provision. Our courses range from First Diplomas, National Diploma qualifications, BTECs and National Vocational Qualifications (NVQs). The level you study depends on your GCSE results; however, you are sure to find a course that matches your skills and interests. To find out what it's like to study at the College, as well as information on the courses, visit www.ncl-coll.ac.uk/school-leavers

Postgraduate Study

Designed for graduates and/or experienced professionals, postgraduate courses usually involve one or two years of study, full-time or part-time. We offer postgraduate courses in Children and Young People, Digital Arts, Education, and Health, Social Care and Counselling. For more information on our courses visit www.ncuc.ac.uk/postgraduate

contact us

Details

For details on any of our courses, visit ncuc.ac.uk where you can find information and download prospectuses. If you are unsure about which level to study at or would like advice about finding the right course for you, simply call our Student Services Team on **0191 200 4000** or email enquiries@ncl-coll.ac.uk and a member of the team will talk you through your options.

This guide and other course information is available in alternative formats and large print. Call **0191 200 4000**.

Safeguarding

We are committed to safeguarding and ensuring all learners experience a secure, safe and welcoming environment in which they can fulfil their potential. Specific policies and procedures are in place to safeguard young people and vulnerable adults; these are robust and are reviewed regularly.

Procedures are in place to take all reasonable measures to ensure risk is minimised and appropriate action is taken to address any welfare concerns. Newcastle College welcomes diversity in its student population, valuing differences in age, race, religion or belief, disability, sex, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, and pregnancy and maternity.

Disclaimer

Newcastle College University Centre will take all reasonable steps to provide the educational services and courses as described in this publication and in further documents. The contents of this publication relate to 2027 entry and are correct at the time of publishing (July 2026).

Any changes to our provision or services will be communicated to applicants at the earliest opportunity and updates will be made to our website (ncuc.ac.uk) and our provision on UCAS (ucas.com).

There may be additional costs associated with your course such as field trips, equipment and printing. You can find out what's included in your Tuition Fee on our website and further information will be outlined by your tutor.

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