“I loved my time at the college. I spent many an evening and lunch in the print room or dark room, trying to make the most of all the great facilities. Even now it is rare to have access to so many great processes and knowledgeable technicians. I learnt so many techniques and skills that are still coming in useful every day, even if not practiced that regularly. I would highly recommend the course and college - In fact I do quite often!”

Dom Chinea

Studied Graphic Design and progressed to a BA in Graphic Design. Works as a production designer and is appearing on BBC’s The Repair Shop
Welcome to South Essex College

We provide a broad range of vocational and academic courses for 16 to 18 year-olds and feel confident that you will find a course that starts you on your journey to a bright future. By choosing to study at our vibrant, modern college you will recieve a high quality education and an exciting and supportive student experience.

At our college you will benefit from stronger foundations for your education and training. This will lead to better prospects that launch you into long-term education, employment or enterprise.

We will make sure you develop the skills and confidence you need to realise your full potential and dare to dream.
WE ARE GOOD
WE ARE AN OFSTED GOOD PROVIDER

WHAT OFSTED SAID ABOUT US...

“Learners’ good standards of behaviour contribute to a welcoming environment in the college in which learners enjoy learning and show respect for the ideas and views of others. In lessons, learners develop the ability to express themselves confidently, participate enthusiastically, work well together and readily seek support when they need it.”

“Well-planned tutorials enable learners to learn about, practise and reflect on the personal skills they will need in their future life. Tutors regularly review learners’ progress and successfully encourage a large majority to stay on track to succeed on their course.”

“Learners feel safe, and are kept safe, in college. They know how to report any concerns and most can remember and apply their lessons about online safety and personal health and safety, and also those which raised their awareness of radicalisation and extremism.”

“A high proportion of learners aged 16 to 18 progress to further education or training at a higher level, including increasing numbers who move on to higher education.”

“A large majority of apprentices remain in employment, gain promotion or continue to a higher level apprenticeship.”

“The majority of learners benefit from timely and effective impartial information, advice and guidance.”
Always brings a smile to everyone’s face, provides great support during lessons. Funny, caring, and devoted to helping everyone.

Goes the extra mile, above and beyond, helping me to get to where I am now, makes all lessons enjoyable.

Great teacher who provided challenges to keep me motivated and on my toes which for me is key to my learning.

The constant support we receive from her has been so appreciated by all of us in the first year. We all can’t wait for our lessons with her.

He has really adapted the lessons to accommodate my visual impairment. During the lessons, he will give me individual attention to make sure I am keeping up with the class and understanding it.

She pushes us to achieve all our goals.

She has a very good rapport with the whole class & very happy to spend time with anyone that requires extra help.

She put me at ease, being very open and encouraging. She is a great ambassador for the college.

She pushes us to achieve all our goals, we can go to her and she will help us sort anything out, she is the best teacher anyone could ask for.
WHAT OUR STAFF SAY ABOUT OUR STUDENTS

She coaches other students who may struggle and helps them to understand what is required. She is so polite and unassuming but she is razor-sharp! A pleasure to teach.

He is a tremendous asset to the class where he is respected for his enthusiasm, knowledge and peer support by both students and staff alike. The class truly benefit from having him on this course.

He has shown an excellent work ethic, has 100% attendance, and always shows outstanding behaviour in class. He is inquisitive and shows an outstanding interest in his course.

He commits wholeheartedly to every part of his course producing outstanding work and is always willing to work on anything that will develop his learning to a higher level.

He pays close attention to detail and makes sure that his daily work is not only accurate, but also of the utmost quality. He always goes above and beyond on his assignments.

He is responsible and self-confident and is open to new ideas when discussing different aspects of his course.

She is a well-liked and popular student with her peer and tutors. She challenges herself in every opportunity and works with great enthusiasm and commitment in classes.

She is always a positive person and is an amazing role model to those in her group.
Help before you enrol

Our advisers are on hand to support your application every step of the way.

As well as being able to speak to our advisers, you can access an online help section on the college website.

Call: 0345 52 12345
Web: www.southessex.ac.uk/apply

Course advice

If you are not sure which course is right for you, we are here to help. Our expert course advisers are available face-to-face at open events, and on the telephone or via email on weekdays.

Email: courseadvisers@southessex.ac.uk

Application advice

If you would like advice about how to make an application, or what happens next, please contact our applicant advisers.

After you have applied, you can check the status of your application online.

Email: admissions@southessex.ac.uk

Career advice

Our expert careers coaches are always happy to help. Whether it is course or career advice or even if you are thinking of continuing your studies elsewhere, we will help you reach informed decisions.

Pastoral support

If you need to speak to someone confidentially about any issues including pastoral support there is easy access to our safeguarding & pastoral team as well as specialist support groups and organisations. The college also has trained counsellors available to all students.

If you have a pastoral or safeguarding need and would like to discuss this, contact the safeguarding & pastoral team who will be happy to meet to discuss your needs.

Email: safeguarding@southessex.ac.uk

For more information visit www.southessex.ac.uk
Students receive good support in acquiring new skills and knowledge through the extra help available to them from a wide range of support staff, regular reviews of their progress and useful online resources.
If you are trying to choose between A-levels and vocational courses, the best approach is to think about what you want to do at the next stage, you may find that you need A-levels to progress (or that more practical experience is required). Think about what type of learning you prefer and pick the option that best fits with these factors.

UCAS Points (also known as the UCAS Tariff) are a way of measuring the relative value of all post-16 qualifications in the UK. Points are awarded according to the UCAS Tariff, which assigns a numerical score to the possible grades that can be achieved in each type of qualification. As you would expect, the higher the grade you achieve, the higher the number of points.

The amount required will differ according to the individual university or college and the degree subject.
**A-LEVELS**

A-levels provide you with a traditional pathway to university and offer prospective employers the higher level qualifications they look for.

For more information about A-levels and a full listing of the courses on offer see page 144.

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**APPRENTICESHIPS**

Apprenticeships prepare you for the workplace whilst gaining a qualification and allow you to earn money whilst you learn.

If you choose to do an apprenticeship you will be employed in a real job and receive quality training to help you get a nationally-recognised qualification.

Being an apprentice means that you are employed but you will develop skills and qualifications that are relevant to the job you are doing.

**EARN WHILE YOU LEARN**

All apprentices receive at least the national minimum wage and should work for at least 30 hours a week.

► There are three levels of apprenticeship:
  - Intermediate Apprenticeship (Level 2)
  - Advanced Apprenticeship (Level 3)
  - Higher/Degree Apprenticeship (Levels 4, 5, 6 and 7)

When you search for an apprenticeship vacancy, it will specify the level you will be working at. Alternatively, the level you work at may be determined by the level of qualifications you already hold.

**HOW DO I BECOME AN APPRENTICE?**

To become an apprentice you will first need to secure employment. If you’re curious to see what’s out there now, we list our latest apprenticeship vacancies on our website. You can apply for these apprenticeships by visiting the government’s apprenticeship search and apply service, which is the best source of vacancies on the web.

www.gov.uk/topic/further-education-skills/apprenticeships

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**HOW ELSE CAN I FIND AN EMPLOYER?**

There are many ways of finding an apprenticeship:

► Try surfing the web for jobs or companies you would like to work for
► Try asking friends and family if they know of vacancies
► Check out your local newspaper recruitment section for job opportunities

If you don’t yet have an employer, you may like to apply for one of our traineeships. These include work experience and will help prepare you for an apprenticeship.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

contact our apprenticeship team. Email: apprenticeships@southessex.ac.uk

Or view online: www.southessex.ac.uk/course/apprenticeship-programmes
If you are looking for higher level qualifications that combine vocational training with traditional classwork, we offer vocational qualifications such as BTEC, CACHE, VTCT or City & Guilds:

- They are vocational and work-related courses, designed to accommodate needs of employers and allow students to progress to further and higher education
- They take a practical approach to learning without missing any of the important theory on the subject

Vocational qualifications are ideal if you know what job or job sector you want to go into. They offer you a different learning experience to A-levels which lean more towards academic learning. The courses are designed so that you learn in a practical way about your chosen job sector. You can gain the skills you need to start a job, progress in a career or go on to higher education at university. About half of the people with vocational qualifications progress to higher education and six of the top ten subject areas in higher education are vocationally related disciplines.

**BTEC**

BTECs are high quality, hands-on qualifications grounded in the real world of work awarded by the Business and Technology Education Council. BTECs are all about hands-on learning so you will put what you learn into practice straight away. You will work on a series of assignments set in real-life scenarios and develop the practical knowledge and skills employers and universities are looking for. Ninety-five per cent of universities and colleges in the UK accept BTEC students. In 2017 over a quarter of students accepted into higher education held at least one BTEC.

**CACHE**

CACHE qualifications are qualifications awarded by the Council for Awards in Care, Health and Education for those working in the care and education sectors.

These are the perfect vocational qualifications if you are looking for a career in early years education, childcare or health and social care because CACHE qualifications are amongst the most well-known and respected.

**VTCT**

Vocational Training Charitable Trust (VTCT) is a specialist awarding and assessment organisation that offers vocational and technical qualifications. If you are hoping to work in the hair, beauty or hospitality industry we have a range of courses to choose from.

**CITY & GUILDS**

City & Guilds is an awarding body offering a large number of accredited qualifications mapped onto the Regulated Qualifications Framework (RQF). We offer internationally-recognised City & Guilds qualifications in areas such as hairdressing, hospitality, construction, engineering and motor vehicle.
CACHE ENTRY LEVEL 1, 2 AND 3 CERTIFICATES

A basic level of knowledge, understanding and skills that allows you to progress to study at level 1.

LEVEL 1: FOUNDATION

GCSE grades D-G/3-1; Foundation Certificates; National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) level 1; OCR Nationals level 1; Diplomas level 1; BTEC Introductory Certificate/Diploma:
Builds on the basic level of understanding to develop the ability to apply learning to everyday situations. Usually lead to semi-skilled work, carrying out routine work, needing a narrow range of specific skills and able to study at level 2.

LEVEL 2: INTERMEDIATE

GCSE grades A-C/9-4; Intermediate Apprenticeships; OCR Nationals level 2; NVQ level 2; Diploma level 2:
Builds knowledge and skills and can lead to skilled work under supervision and study at level 3.

LEVEL 3: ADVANCED

A levels; Advanced Apprenticeships; International Baccalaureate; NVQ level 3; National Diplomas; National Certificates; CACHE level 3; OCR Nationals level 3:
Develops in-depth knowledge, understanding and skills. Often leads to technician level work, you will become skilled in a wide range of activities and self-motivated with possible supervisory responsibilities and able to study at level 4 or 5.

LEVEL 4: HIGHER EDUCATION (HE) CERTIFICATE

Professional Qualifications, National Diplomas; National Certificates; NVQ level 4; Higher Apprenticeships:
Develops specialist knowledge in a specific area and can lead onto responsible and skilled jobs and able to study at level 5.

LEVEL 5: HE INTERMEDIATE

Higher National Certificates and Diplomas, NVQ level 5, Degrees and Foundation Degrees, Professional qualifications:
Develops specialist knowledge in a specific area and can lead onto responsible and skilled jobs and able to study at level 6.

LEVEL 6: HE HONOURS

Honours Degree, Professional Qualifications:
Develops specialist learning that involving a high level of knowledge in the chosen subject area(s). Often leads to responsible and highly skilled jobs including managerial roles and able to study at level 7.

LEVEL 7: HE POST GRADUATE - MASTERS

Masters Degree; Post Graduate Diplomas and Certificates; Professional Qualifications:
Develops specialist learning involving a high level of knowledge in a specific subject area. This usually leads to work that requires a high level of technical know-how, advanced skills and may involve managerial responsibilities.
STUDY PROGRAMMES

All of our 16 to 19 study programmes are designed to provide you with a structured and challenging learning programme that supports your development and progression in line with your career plans. The college will tailor your study programme to suit you, but they will typically combine the elements below:

- Substantial academic, applied or vocational qualifications that stretch you and prepare you for education at the next level or to employment
- English and maths where students have not yet achieved a GCSE grade 4 (reformed grading) or grade C (legacy grading)
- Other non-qualification activity to develop your character, skills, attitudes and confidence, and to support progression

WORK EXPERIENCE

As a part of your study programme you will be required to complete a work experience placement related to your course. The amount of hours you will need to complete will depend on the course you are studying.

For more information contact: workexperience@southessex.ac.uk
ANIMAL CARE & SCIENCE
CARE OCCUPATIONS
ENTRY LEVEL 3
CERTIFICATE

GATEWAY

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 85879

What’s covered?
► Developing your maths and English skills
► Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
► Confidence and self esteem
► Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
► Links with the local community
► Work placement

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Assignments

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level 3 in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
Level 1 Skills for Progression into Health, Child or Animal Care.

PROGRESSION TO
SCIENCE AND ANIMAL
MANAGEMENT
LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE

BTEC

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 85798

What’s covered?
► Introduction to study
► Biology and the environment
► Animal accommodation
► Animal care
► Job seeking skills
► Maths and English
► Work experience

How will my work be assessed?
► Observations
► Presentations
► Projects
► Written assignments

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
Animal Care Level 2 Technical Certificate.
ANIMAL CARE
LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA
BTEC

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 6425

What’s covered?
► Maintain animal accommodation
► Undertake practical animal feeding
► Principles and practices of animal establishments
► Work-related experience in animal care this is a 150 hours work placement which needs to be completed throughout the year (usually one additional day alongside your college days)
► Maintain animal health and welfare
► Principles and practices of animal behaviour and handling
► Understand the basic principles of animal biology

How will my work be assessed?
► Written reports
► Graphs and posters
► Projects
► Performance observations

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade three/grade D in maths, English and science, or
► Progression from Science and Animal management Level 1 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Animal Management Level 3 Extended Diploma.

APPLIED SCIENCE
LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE
BTEC

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 25017

What’s covered?
► Principles of science
► Chemistry and our earth
► Energy and our universe
► Biology and our environment
► Applications of chemical substances
► Applications of physical science
► Health applications of life science
► Scientific skills
► The living body
► Investigating a crime scene
► Understanding human behaviour
► Chemical analysis and detection
► Maths and English
► Work experience

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework including performance observation, presentations, projects and assignments
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths, English and science
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Applied Science Level 3 Extended Diploma
► Level 3 Forensics and Criminal Investigation

For more information visit www.southessex.ac.uk
ANIMAL MANAGEMENT
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 30062

What’s covered?
► Animal breeding and genetics
► Animal biology
► Animal welfare and ethics
► Practical animal husbandry
► Animal behaviour health and diseases
► Work experience in the animal sector
► Investigative research project

How will my work be assessed?
► Presentations
► Projects
► Written assessments
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and science
► Alternatively you can gain entry via an Animal Care Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
After successful completion of the course, you may progress to higher education to study courses ranging from applied biology to zoology. You could also enter the animal science industry, or undertake further training to become a veterinary nurse.
APPLIED SCIENCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 25023

What's covered?
► Principles and applications of science
► Practical scientific procedures and techniques
► Science investigation skills
► Laboratory techniques and their application
► Investigative project
► Contemporary issues in science
► Physiology of human body systems
► Human regulation and reproduction
► Genetics and genetic engineering
► Diseases and infection
► Applications of organic chemistry
► Microbiology and microbiological techniques
► Practical chemical analysis
► Medical physics applications
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework, assignment tasks (written reports, graphs and posters, projects) and performance observation assessments

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and science
► Alternatively you can gain entry via an Applied Science Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Higher education at university or college to study a science-based degree
► Seek employment as a junior or trainee technician in a hospital, or in areas such as biotechnology, pharmaceuticals or dental technology

For more information visit www.southessex.ac.uk
FORENSICS AND CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

BTEC

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 25019

What’s covered?
► Principles and applications of science
► Practical scientific procedures and techniques
► Science investigation skills
► Forensic investigation procedures in practice
► Criminal investigation procedures in practice
► Forensic anthropology and archaeology applications of criminal and forensic psychology
► Environmental forensics
► Forensic traffic collision investigation
► Physiology of human body systems
► Forensic genetics
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► External assessment under examination conditions
► Coursework, assignment tasks (written reports, graphs and posters, projects) and performance observation assessments

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and science
► Alternatively you can gain entry via an Applied Science Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college to study a forensic science degree such as our BSc (Hons) Criminology & Forensic Investigation.
ART AND DESIGN (PATHWAY) ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year  
Where: Southend  
Code: 85872

What’s covered?
▶ Developing your maths and English skills  
▶ Foundation Employability skills to help you in any job  
▶ Confidence and self esteem  
▶ Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics  
▶ Links with the local community  
▶ Work placement

How will my work be assessed?
▶ Portfolio of evidence

Entry requirements:
▶ Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level 3 in maths and English in an assessment  
▶ Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
▶ Art and Design Level 1 Certificate

ART AND DESIGN LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year  
Where: Southend  
Code: 60091

What’s covered?
▶ Painting and drawing  
▶ Mixed media art techniques  
▶ Printmaking techniques  
▶ 3D craft  
▶ Graphic design  
▶ Photography  
▶ Cultural studies  
▶ Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
▶ Internally set and marked assignments

Entry requirements:
▶ Demonstrate the ability to work at level one in maths and English in an assessment  
▶ Alternatively you can gain entry via an Art and Design Entry Level 3 Award plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent  
▶ Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
▶ Creative Studies Art and Design Level 2 Certificate.
ART AND DESIGN LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

PEARSON

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 60112

What's covered?
► Research (mandatory)
► Materials and techniques (mandatory)
► Working to a set brief (mandatory)
► Developing a portfolio (optional)
► Working as an artist or designer in the creative industry (optional)

How will my work be assessed?
► Internal and external assessments

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at Grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via an Art and Design Level 1 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Level 3 Creative programme in Art & Design or Media and Performing Arts (specialist options available)
► Employment – full or part-time
► Apprenticeship
► Self-employment
ART AND DESIGN (3D DESIGN)
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60096

What’s covered?
► Visual recording in art and design
► 3D computer modelling
► 3D design media, techniques and technology
► Large-scale working and design
► Small-scale working and design
► Human-scale working
► Product design
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Your work will be assessed through a mixture of practical tasks and supporting written material
► Your progress will be supported by regular, ongoing feedback throughout the course
► There are no exams on the main award although there may be exams for functional skills

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and an art-related subject
► Alternatively you gain entry via an Art and Design Level 2 NCFE Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Foundation Art and Design Level 4 Diploma
► Higher education courses at university or college including our BA (Hons) Interior Design at South Essex College University Centre
ART AND DESIGN (FASHION)
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60098

What’s covered?
► Design
► Illustration
► Pattern cutting
► Garment construction
► Tailoring techniques
► Textiles
► Costume
► Fabric knowledge
► Research skills
► Fashion forecasting and trend prediction
► Live briefs working with professionals in the industry
► Computer applications in fashion
► Analysis and evaluation skills
► Work experience
► Maths & English

You may be invited to go on trips which include; exhibitions, factories, museums & international destinations.

In your second year you have the opportunity to specialise in your chosen field (this is subject to applicant numbers).
► Specialism 1: Fashion Design and Production
► Specialism 2: Fashion Business

How will my work be assessed?
► Your work will be assessed through a mixture of practical tasks and supporting written material. Your progress will be supported by regular ongoing feedback throughout the course.

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and an art-related subject
► Alternatively you can gain entry via an Creative Studies Art and Design Level 2 Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4 or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Art and Design Level 4 Foundation Diploma (Costume Pathway)
► Higher education at university or college, including our degrees in Fashion Communication and Fashion Design at South Essex College University Centre
► Professional employment in the fashion industry or related fields
ART AND DESIGN (FINE ART) LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60094

What’s covered?
- Drawing from observation
- Generating fine art ideas
- Fine art principles
- Developing and realising fine art ideas
- Multi-disciplinary work in fine art
- Painting in fine art
- Printmaking
- Sculpture
- Public art
- Presenting fine art work
- Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
Your work will be assessed through a mixture of practical tasks and supporting written material. Your progress will be supported by regular ongoing feedback throughout the course.

Entry requirements:
- Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and an art-related subject
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Creative Studies Art and Design Level 2 Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
- You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
- Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
- Art and Design Level 4 Foundation Diploma
- Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Fine Art at South Essex College University Centre
ART AND DESIGN (GRAPHIC DESIGN)
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

BTEC

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60097

What’s covered?
► Graphics, media techniques and technology
► Mixed media image making
► Typefaces and letter forms
► Typographic and layout design
► Words and images in graphic design
► Design for advertising
► Graphics for 3D application
► Website design
► Graphic image making
► Digital storytelling
► Factual writing in art and design
► Narrative image making
► Specialist illustration using computer applications
► Information graphics
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical tasks and supporting written material

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and an art-related subject
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Creative Studies Art and Design Level 2 Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Art and Design Level 4 Foundation Diploma
► Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Graphic Design at South Essex College University Centre
ART & DESIGN ILLUSTRATION FOR INDUSTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 60130S

What’s covered?
- 2D mark-making skills
- Drawing
- Generating original styles and concepts for the tattoo, cartoon and illustration industries

How will my work be assessed?
- The course consists of five separate units which will be assessed both internally and externally via a portfolio of evidence
- You must pass all units in order to achieve the qualification

Entry requirements:
- Four GCSEs grade 4/C
- Portfolio inspection and interview

What can I do after this?
- A Level 3 creative programme in Art & Design or Media and Performing Arts (specialist options available)
- Employment – Full and part-time
- Apprenticeship
- Self-employment
- Higher education

Graphic designer
with a Level 1 - 3 qualification you can progress to degree and post-graduate studies

Clothing designer
with a Level 3 qualification
ART AND DESIGN (PHOTOGRAPHY)  
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**BTEC**

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**What's covered?**

- Photographic media, techniques and technology
- Studio photography
- Digital image capture and editing
- Commercial photographic laboratory operations
- Location photography
- Experimental imagery in photography
- Lens-based image making
- Image manipulation using computer applications
- Darkroom practice and darkroom applications
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**

- Your work will be assessed through a mixture of practical tasks and supporting written material
- Your progress will be supported by regular, ongoing feedback throughout the course

**Entry requirements:**

- Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and an art-related subject
- Alternatively you can gain entry via an Art and Design Level 2 Technical Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
- You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**

- Art and Design Level 4 Foundation Diploma
- Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Photography at South Essex College University Centre

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FOUNDATION DIPLOMA IN ART AND DESIGN
LEVEL 4 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 5004

What’s covered?
► Graphic design and illustration
► Fashion and textiles
► Fine art and sculpture
► Printmaking and visual communication
► Multi-media and photography
► Maths and English

Within these specialist areas you will also be able to develop skills in:
► Drawing and painting
► Photography
► Textiles
► Digital media

How will my work be assessed?
Your work will be assessed through a mixture of practical tasks and supporting written material. Your progress will be supported by regular, ongoing feedback throughout the course.

Entry requirements:
► One A-level or Art and Design Level 3 Extended Diploma plus three GCSEs at grade 4/C including maths and English and an art-related subject, or equivalent
► Alternatively you can gain entry via five GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and an art-related subject
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college, including our degrees in Costume Construction, Fashion Design, Fashion Communication, Fine Art, Graphic Design, Interior Design or Photography at South Essex College University Centre.
“Further education is life changing in that you get to specialise in a subject that you really love, and you meet friends for life. It helps you progress to a great career. The college has incredible facilities and staff who are really knowledgeable and develop you as a person.”

Andy Wyatt, Foundation Diploma in Art and Design BAFTA-nominated animator at Aardman Animation and Toom Boom Productions
**BUSINESS (PATHWAY) ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE**

**GATEWAY**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Southend or Thurrock  
**Code:** 85866

**What’s covered?**
- Developing your maths and English skills
- Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
- Confidence and self esteem
- Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
- Links with the local community
- Work placement

**How will my work be assessed?**
Written assignments, presentations, discussions and group work.

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level 3 in maths and English in an assessment
- Successful attendance at transition event

**What can I do after this?**
Skills for Business and Administration Level 1 Certificate.

**SKILLS FOR BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE**

**GATEWAY**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 90187S

**What’s covered?**
- Working in business and administration
- Effective communication in the workplace
- Exploring and presenting enterprise ideas
- Introduction to self-employment
- Handling telephone calls from customers
- Professional behaviour in an office environment
- Personal budgeting and managing money
- Dealing with queries and requests
- Welcoming visitors
- Handling mail
- Work in a customer-friendly way

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Presentations
- Observed practice
- Written documents

**Entry requirements:**
Course suitability interview.

**What can I do after this?**
- Level 2 Qualification in Business and Administration
- Employment
- Self-employment
- Apprenticeship
SKILLS FOR BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATION
LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 5487

What’s covered?
To achieve the Gateway qualification Level 2 Certificate in Skills for Business and Administration, all students must achieve 39 credits.

**Group M Units totalling 6 Credits:**
- Understanding business organisations
- Effective communication in the workplace

**Group 01 Units totalling 23 Credits:**
- Business meeting techniques
- Working with people in organisations
- Using ICT in the workplace
- Creating business web-pages

**Group 02 Units totalling 10 Credits:**
- Leadership skills
- Learning from work placement
- Solving work-related problems
- Time management
- Assessing personal, learning and thinking skills

How will my work be assessed?
Displays, role plays, presentations or written assignments

Entry requirements:
- GCSEs at grade 3/D or above in maths and English
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Skills for Business and Administration Level 1 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
- Access to Level 3 Progression Study Programme
- Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Business
- Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship in Business Administration
- With additional training you can progress to a career as a business administrator, administration team leader, office supervisor or personal assistant
AAT ACCOUNTING LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 90251

What’s covered?

Bookkeeping transactions – covering:
► Recording income and receipts
► Making and recording payments
► Preparing ledger balances and an initial trial balance

Bookkeeping controls – covering:
► Maintaining control of the cash book, petty cash and journals day books
► Banking procedures
► Maintaining control accounts

Elements of costing – covering:
► Basic principles of costing
► Providing basic cost and revenue information

Using Accounting Software – covering:
► Processing transactions using SAGE software
► Producing a variety of reports

Working effectively in finance – covering:
► GDPR
► Health & Safety
► Time management skills
► Business writing

How will my work be assessed?
► Three external computer-based unit assessments, set by the AAT, completed online and marked online immediately, with results accessible through your MyAAT account within 30 minutes
► One external synoptic assessment covering all aspects of the course, except ‘Using Accounting Software’, set by the AAT and marked externally by qualified assessors, with results available after six weeks
► One external computer-based project (using accounting software), set by the AAT and marked externally by qualified assessors, with results available after six weeks

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs grade 4/C or above - with a minimum of one of the two core subjects: English or maths the other at grade 3/D
► Alternatively you can gain entry via progression from a level 1 course with minimum of one of the core subjects at grade 4 and the other at grade 3
► Progression from a level 2 course with minimum of one of the core subjects at grade 4 and the other at grade 3

What can I do after this?
► Progress to the Business (Accounting) Level 3 Extended Diploma
► Find a placement on a Level 3 Apprenticeship after six weeks
BUSINESS LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

BTEC

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 90284

What’s covered?
Year one
► Developing a marketing campaign (mandatory)
► Personal and business finance (mandatory)
Year two
► Principles of management (mandatory)
► Business decision making (mandatory)
► Team building in business (optional)

How will my work be assessed?
► Online exams
► Group discussions
► Written articles
► Course assignments
► Pitching for a new business (optional)
► Employment law (optional)
► Managing a business event (mandatory)
► Work experience in business (optional)
► Creative promotion (optional)
► Recruitment and selection in business (optional)

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above (preferably including English and maths)
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Skills for Business and Administration Level 2 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► A BA (Hons) degree in Business and Entrepreneurship at South Essex College University Centre
► Higher National Certificate or Diploma in Business Studies
► With additional training, you may progress to career role such as a business administrator, teacher of business studies, accounting assistant, business analyst, human resource assistant or marketing team leader

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LEGAL SECRETARIES (FAST TRACK) 
LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

CILEx

How long: One year  
Where: Southend  
Code: 90131

What’s covered?
The course covers advanced legal word processing, office administration and business communication skills.  
Units include:  
► Business skills in the legal environment  
► Legal word processing  
► Legal audio processing  
► Legal spreadsheet processing  
► Legal presentation techniques  
You will also study law and a range of Microsoft Office skills such as mail merge

How will my work be assessed?
► Assignments and proofreading tests  
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► Five GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English language, and an appropriate Level 3 qualification
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Seek employment work as a senior administrator or secretary  
► Higher education at university or college.

LEGAL SECRETARIES LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA
CILEx

How long: Two years  
Where: Southend  
Code: 6704

What’s covered?
The units include:  
► Working in the legal environment (year one)  
► Business skills in the legal environment (year two)  
► Legal text processing  
► Legal audio processing  
► Legal spreadsheet processing  
► Legal presentation techniques  
► Proofreading in the legal environment  
► Legal studies  
You will also study a range of Microsoft Office skills. Functional skills/GCSE maths is offered to those without a grade C (4) in maths.

How will my work be assessed?
► Assignments and proofreading tests  
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including English language, plus maths at grade 3/D or above
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a CILEx Level 2 Certificate in Text Production Skills plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Seek employment as a senior administrator or secretary  
► Higher education at university or college
SKILLS FOR LOGISTICS
LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

GATEWAY

How long: One year
Where: Thurrock
Code: 50398

What’s covered?
► Environmental impact of logistics
► Moving and handling goods
► Picking and distributing goods
► Receiving and storing goods
► Route planning
► Security in logistics
► Stock control
► Using equipment to handle goods
► Working in logistics
► Working safely in logistics

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at Level 1 in maths and English.

What can I do after this?
► The Level 2 Diploma in Logistics
► Employment in the sector
► Apprenticeships in the sector

SKILLS FOR LOGISTICS
LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

GATEWAY

How long: One year
Where: Thurrock
Code: 50399

What’s covered?
► Environmental impact of logistics
► Moving and handling goods
► Picking and distributing goods
► Receiving and storing goods
► Route planning
► Security in logistics
► Stock control
► Using equipment to handle goods
► Working in logistics
► Working safely in logistics

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework

Entry requirements:
► Gateway Level 1 Diploma in skills for logistics
► Three GCSE grade D/3 qualifications or above including grade D/3 in English and maths
► Ability to work towards a Level 2 standard in maths and English

What can I do after this?
► The Level 3 Diploma in Logistics
► Employment in the sector
► Apprenticeships in the sector
LOGISTICS
LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Thurrock
Code: 90252

What’s covered?
► Business skills
► Making your own marketing campaigns
► Finance skills
► International trade
► Team building
► Principles of management
► Work experience in commercial environments

How will my work be assessed?
► Projects
► Scenario-based exams

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

What can I do after this?
Employment or higher education.
CATERING & HOSPITALITY

Did you know...

One of our Professional Cookery students won the Bake Off Crème de la Crème series!
**Introduction to Professional Cookery**

**Level 1 Certificate**

- How long: One year
- Where: Southend or Thurrock
- Code: 50279

**What’s covered?**
- Food safety
- Health and safety in catering
- Introduction to kitchen equipment
- Preparing and cooking different foods
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Practical demonstrations
- Assignments
- Multiple choice exam

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment
- Successful attendance at transition event
- You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject in the form of a practical test

**What can I do after this?**
- Seek employment as a catering assistant or chef
- Progress to further study by taking courses such as:
  - Professional Cookery Studies Level 2 Diploma
  - Professional Patisserie and Confectionery Level 2 Certificate

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**Service Industries Entry Level 3 Certificate**

**Gateway**

- How long: One year
- Where: Southend or Thurrock
- Code: 85857

**What’s covered?**
- Developing your maths and English skills
- Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
- Confidence and self esteem
- Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
- Links with the local community
- Work placement

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Through a range of practical and written assessments.

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level three in maths and English in an assessment
- Successful attendance at interview event and satisfactory references
- You may be required to purchase a uniform and/or equipment

**What can I do after this?**
- You can progress to a Level 1 qualification in beauty & hair, catering or sport.
PROFESSIONAL COOKERY LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

VTCT

How long: One year  
Where: Southend or Thurrock  
Code: 50360

What’s covered?
Units include:
► Food safety
► Health and safety in catering
► Cost and menu planning
► Healthier foods
► Preparing and cooking hot and cold dishes
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical demonstrations
► Assignments

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 2/E in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Culinary Skills Level 1 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject in the form of a practical test

What can I do after this?
Progress to study:
► Advanced Professional Cookery Studies Level 3 Diploma
► Professional Patisserie and Confectionery Level 3 Diploma

Seek a career as:
► Catering or restaurant manager
► Chef

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PROFESSIONAL PATISSERIE AND CONFECTIONERY LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

CITY & GUILDS

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 50285

What’s covered?
► Produce hot and cold desserts and puddings
► Produce biscuit, cake and sponge products
► Produce fermented dough products
► Produce paste products
► Investigate the catering and hospitality industry
► Food safety
► Health and safety in catering and hospitality
► Healthier food and special diets
► Catering operations, costs and menu planning
► Applying workplace skills
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical demonstrations
► Assignments
► Multiple choice examination

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 4/C in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Culinary Skills Level 1 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject in the form of a practical test

What can I do after this?
► Progress in your career as a pastry chef
► Professional Patisserie and Confectionery Level 3 Diploma
ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL COOKERY LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend & Thurrock
Code: 50098

What’s covered?
► Food product development
► Supervisory skills in the hospitality industry
► Exploring gastronomy
► Advanced skills and techniques in producing meat dishes
► Advanced skills and techniques in producing fish and shellfish dishes
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical demonstrations
► Assignments

Entry requirements:
► Professional Cookery Studies Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent.
► Successful attendance at interview event
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject in the form of a practical test

What can I do after this?
You will be prepared for employment in the industry.

PROFESSIONAL PATISSERIE AND CONFECTIONERY LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 50243

What’s covered?
► Produce fermented dough and batter products
► Produce petit fours
► Produce display pieces and decorative items
► Produce paste products
► Produce hot, cold and frozen desserts
► Produce biscuits, cakes and sponges
► The principles of food safety supervision
► Supervisory skills in the hospitality industry
► Exploring gastronomy
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical demonstrations
► Assignments
► Multiple choice exam

Entry requirements:
► Professional Patisserie and Confectionery Level 2 Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent

What can I do after this?
You will be prepared for employment in the industry.
CONSTRUCTION
CONSTRUCTION (PATHWAY) ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE

BTEC

How long: One year
Where: Stephenson Road or Thurrock
Code: 85854

What’s covered?
► Developing your maths and English skills
► Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
► Confidence and self esteem
► Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
► Links with the local community
► Work placement

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Practical assessments

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level 2 in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
Level 1 construction skills:
► Painting, decorating and tiling
► Plumbing
► Brickwork combined with elements of carpentry
► Carpentry combined with elements of brickwork
**BRICKLAYING LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA**

**CITY & GUILDS**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Stephenson Road or Thurrock  
**Code:** 40005

**What’s covered?**
- Principles of building construction, information and communication  
- Contribute to setting out and building of masonry structures to damp proof course  
- Carry out block-laying activities  
- Carrying out bricklaying activities  
- Carrying out cavity walling activities  
- Health, safety and welfare in construction

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Practical assessments  
- Portfolio work  
- Assignments  
- Online exams

**Entry requirements:**
- English and maths at grade 3/D or above  
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills

**What can I do after this?**
- Level 2 Diploma Bricklaying

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**BUILDING SERVICES LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE**

**CITY & GUILDS**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Canvey Campus or Stephenson Road  
**Code:** BS

**What’s covered?**
- Electrotechnical  
- Plumbing  
- Heating and ventilation  
- Air conditioning and refrigeration

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework  
- Examinations

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSE English and Maths at grade 1 or equivalent

**What can I do after this?**
You can progress onto a single trade study programme or apprenticeship in electrical installation, plumbing or air conditioning and refrigeration.
Carpentry Level 1 Diploma
City & Guilds

How long: One year
Where: Stephenson Road or Thurrock
Code: 40013

What's covered?
► Carpentry and joinery practical and theory
► How to carry out safe working practices
► Information, quantities and communicating with others
► Building methods and construction technology
► Basic woodworking joints
► Maintaining and using hand tools
► Preparing and using portable power tools
► Undertake relevant work experience
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Practical assessments

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in English and maths
► Alternatively you can gain entry by demonstrating the ability to work at level one in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
► Carpentry and Joinery Level 2 Diploma

Construction & Multi Trades Level 1 Diploma
City & Guilds

How long: One year
Where: Canvey, Thurrock or Stephenson Road
Code: CMO

What's covered?
► Brickwork
► Carpentry and joinery
► Painting and decorating
► Tiling
► Plastering
► Plumbing

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Examinations

Entry requirements:
► GCSE English and Maths at grade 1 or equivalent.

What can I do after this?
Level 2 Property Maintenance Operations, carpentry, plumbing or bricklaying from construction and multi-trades.
### Design and Tiling Techniques Level 1 Diploma

**City & Guilds**

| How long:  | One year |
| Where:    | Thurrock |
| Code:     | 40126    |

**What’s covered?**
- Design
- Techniques
- Methods
- Bathroom tiling techniques and design
- Wet room tiling techniques and design
- Kitchen tiling techniques and design

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Two online theory based tests
- Four end of unit knowledge tests
- Practical assessments
- Portfolio work

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs in maths and English at grade 3/D
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills

**What can I do after this?**
You can progress to level 2 tiling or an apprenticeship.

### Electrical Installations Level 1 Diploma

**City & Guilds**

| How long:  | One year |
| Where:    | Thurrock |
| Code:     | 35155    |

**What’s covered?**
- Structure of the construction industry
- Fundamental safe working practices
- Environmental and sustainability measures in domestic dwellings
- Site preparation for working in the construction industry
- Electrical installation wiring and terminations
- Fabrication techniques for electrical installation
- Electrical science and technology
- GCSEs in maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Examinations
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Construction Skills Entry Level 3 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at transition event

**What can I do after this?**
- City & Guilds Electrical Installations Level 2 Diploma
PLASTERING LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA
CITY & GUILDS

How long: One year
Where: Thurrock
Code: 40125

What’s covered?
► Health, safety and welfare
► Technical information, quantities and communication
► Knowledge of construction technology
► Prepare background surfaces and plaster materials
► Apply plaster materials to internal backgrounds
► Produce components from moulds
► Form sand and cement screeds

How will my work be assessed?
► Two online exams
► Four practical tasks
► Four end-of-unit tests (paper tests)

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at level 2 (E) in maths and English.

What can I do after this?
You can progress onto a Level 2 Plastering course or other construction courses such as floor screeding or tiling.

PAINTING AND DECORATING LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA
CITY & GUILDS

How long: One year
Where: Stephenson Road or Thurrock
Code: 40046

What’s covered?
► Tiling
► Painting and decorating
► Personal development, behaviour and welfare
► Health and safety
► Maths and english

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical assessments
► Portfolio work
► Assignments
► Online exams

Entry requirements:
► Maths and English at grade 3/D
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills

What can I do after this?
► Level 2 Diploma Painting and Decorating

► Technical information, quantities and communication
► Knowledge of construction technology
► Prepare background surfaces and plaster materials
► Apply plaster materials to internal backgrounds
► Produce components from moulds
► Form sand and cement screeds

How will my work be assessed?
► Two online exams
► Four practical tasks
► Four end-of-unit tests (paper tests)

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at level 2 (E) in maths and English.

What can I do after this?
You can progress onto a Level 2 Painting and Decorating course or other construction courses such as floor screeding or tiling.
### CONSTRUCTION LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

**BTEC**

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**What’s covered?**
- Structure of the construction industry
- Exploring health, safety and welfare in construction
- Sustainability in the construction industry
- Construction drawing techniques
- Maths and English

This course includes a trip one day each week to the state-of-the-art Thurrock Campus to complete some of the practical elements.

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Construction Level 1 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at level one, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
- Construction Level 3 Extended Diploma

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### BRICKLAYING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

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**What’s covered?**
- Block and brickwork
- Storing materials and equipment
- Erecting and dismantling working platforms
- Setting and basic building brick and block work walling
- Health and safety
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- Successful completion of Level 1 Bricklaying Diploma and GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English

**What can I do after this?**
- Construction Level 3 Extended Diploma
- Bricklaying apprenticeship

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Carpentry and Joinery (Bench Joinery) Level 2 Diploma

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Thurrock  
**Code:** 40045

**What’s covered?**
- Practical theory of carpentry and joinery
- Safe working practice
- Building methods and construction technology
- Carrying out first and second fixing operations
- Erecting structural carcassing
- Maintenance
- Setting up and operating a circular saw
- Health and safety
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- Level 1 Diploma Carpentry and  
- GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
- Carpentry and Joinery Level 3 Diploma  
- Apprenticeship  
- Construction Level 3 Extended Diploma

Carpentry and Joinery (Site Joinery) Level 2 Diploma

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Canvey or Thurrock  
**Code:** 40015

**What’s covered?**
- Practical theory of carpentry and joinery
- Safe working practice
- Building methods and construction technology
- Carrying out first and second fixing operations
- Erecting structural carcassing
- Maintenance
- Setting up and operating a circular saw
- Health and safety
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- Level 1 Diploma Carpentry and  
- GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
- Carpentry and Joinery Level 3 Diploma  
- Apprenticeship  
- Construction Level 3 Extended Diploma
### PLUMBING LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

**City and Guilds**

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**What’s covered?**
- Structure of the construction industry
- Fundamental safe working practices
- Environmental and sustainability measures in domestic dwellings
- Site preparation for working in the construction industry
- Above ground drainage
- Copper pipework
- Plastic pressure pipework
- Low carbon steel pipework
- Installation, repair and maintenance of plumbing systems
- Plumbing science

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Practical assessments
- Portfolio work
- Assignments

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs in English and maths at grade 3/D or above
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills

**What can I do after this?**
- Level 2 Diploma Plumbing Diploma

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### PLUMBING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

**City & Guilds**

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**What’s covered?**
- Electrical principles and processes for building services engineering
- Scientific principles for domestic, industrial and commercial plumbing
- Common plumbing processes
- Cold water systems
- Domestic hot water systems
- Sanitation
- Central heating systems
- Drainage systems
- Health and safety
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs at grade 4/C or above in maths, English and science and Level 1 Plumbing Diploma
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
- Plumbing apprenticeship
- Plumbing Level 3 Certificate
CONSTRUCTION LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

BTEC

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 5806

What’s covered?
There are three pathway opportunities:
► General pathway
► Civil engineering
► Building services engineering
You will study units including:
► Health, safety and welfare in construction and the built environment
► Sustainable construction
► Mathematics in construction and the built environment
► Science and materials in construction and the built environment
► Building technology
► Graphic detailing
► Surveying in construction
► Computer aided design
► Structural mechanics
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Written assignments
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Construction Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college such as a HNC in Construction & the Built Environment.

CARPENTRY AND JOINERY (BENCH JOINERY) LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

CITY & GUILDS

How long: One year
Where: Thurrock
Code: 40084

What’s covered?
► The theory and practice of carpentry and joinery
► Establishing the operating area
► Progressing operations
► Organising resources
► Coordinating and installing first and second fittings
► Erecting carcassing
► Producing timber products and health and safety
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Exams
► Practical assessments

Entry requirements:
► Carpentry and Joinery Level 2 Diploma plus GCSEs in maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Further training including Chartered Institute of Building leadership qualifications.
**ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA**

**CITY & GUILDS**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Basildon (Luckyn lane) or Thurrock  
**Code:** 35195

**What’s covered?**
You will study units such as:
- Application of health & safety
- Electrical principles
- Inspection, testing & commissioning
- Fault diagnosis & rectification

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Online and written exams  
- Assignments  
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
Electrical Installations Level 2 Diploma, or equivalent.

**What can I do after this?**
After successfully completing this course you could progress to further electro-technical professional development qualifications such as the Regulations for Electrical Installations (17th Edition) – Level 3 Award, Photovoltaic Cell Installation, or the City & Guilds Award in the Periodic Inspection, Testing and Certification of Electrical Installations.

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**PLUMBING LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE**

**CITY & GUILDS**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Baildon (Luckyn Lane)  
**Code:** PLUM3

**What’s covered?**
- Accurate measuring  
- Marking  
- Cutting  
- Bending and jointing metallic and non-metallic pipework  
- Working with appliances and equipment including gas, oil and solid fuel boilers and pumps, heat emitters, bathroom furniture or controls as part of a cold water, hot water, and central heating or above ground drainage and rainwater systems  
- Environmental technologies including heat pumps, solar thermal systems, biomass boilers and water recycling systems

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework  
- Examinations

**Entry requirements:**
- You must have Plumbing Level 2 Diploma and Grade 4/C or Equivalent in English and maths.

**What can I do after this?**
Apprenticeship
SITE CARPENTRY (WOOD OCCUPATIONS)
LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Stephenson Road or Thurrock
Code: 40000

What’s covered?
► Health, safety and welfare in construction
► Carry out first fix flooring and roofing
► Carry out second fixing operations
► Principles of organising, planning and pricing construction work
► Carry out first fix roofing and stairs
► Carry out second fixing double doors and mouldings
► Set up and use fixed and transportable machinery

How will my work be assessed?
► Two external exams set by C&G, completed online and marked immediately with results available within 10 minutes
► Five internal exams set by the C&G and marked internally by qualified assessors
► Thirteen practical assessments set by C&G and assessed by a qualified internal assessor

Entry requirements:
► C&G Level 2 Site Carpentry
► Ability to work to a Level 2 standard in maths and English
► Working knowledge of Microsoft Excel and Word

What can I do after this?
You can progress to the City and Guilds NVQ Diploma in wood occupations or employment in the construction industry.
Painter or decorator
with a Level 1 - 3 qualification

Fabrication and Welding

Bricklaying
did you know...
...one of our Childcare students now studies at the prestigious Norland College, the school where royal nannies are trained!
CARE OCCUPATIONS
ENTRY LEVEL 3
CERTIFICATE

GATEWAY

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 85879

What’s covered?
► Developing your maths and English skills
► Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
► Confidence and self esteem
► Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
► Links with the local community
► Work placement

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Assignments

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level 3 in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
Level 1 Skills for Progression into Health, Child or Animal Care.

Nursery nurse
with a Level 1 - 3 qualification
HEALTH AND CARE OCCUPATIONS
LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 20281

What’s covered?
► Understanding the range of service provisions and roles within health & social care, early years and childcare
► Understanding the principles and values in health & social care, early years and childcare
► Introduction to communication in health & social care, early years and childcare
► Introductory awareness of health and safety in health & social care, early years and childcare
► Introduction awareness of equality
► and inclusion in health & social care, early years and childcare
► Introductory awareness of person-centred support in health & social care, early years and childcare
► Introduction to the development of children and young people
► Introduction to dementia
► Job opportunities in health and social care
► Introductory awareness of loss and grief in health & social care, early years and childcare

How will my work be assessed?
Coursework and assignments

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
► Health and Social Care Level 2 Diploma
# Working with Children in Early Years and Primary Settings Level 2 Certificate

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**What’s covered?**
- Working with babies, children, young people and families in care and education
- Values, beliefs and behaviours for working in childcare
- Communicating for effective practice in childcare
- Working safely in childcare
- Supporting health and healthy living in childcare
- Principles and theories of human growth and development
- Developing resilience for working in childcare

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Assignments
- 120-150 hours work placement (one day per week)

In addition, you will need to complete:
- A professional skills record: This will be compiled over a minimum of 120 hours of placement in a real work environment and will be assessed by the supervisor and centre assessor at the early years and primary school settings (a DBS will be required). This professional skills record will be graded pass or refer
- A synoptic short answer examination: This will be undertaken at the end of the qualification. It will be externally set and assessed, and will be graded pass, merit or distinction. All units, the professional skills record and the short answer examination grades will be combined to give an overall graded result of pass, merit or distinction. Full achievement of the qualification will not be possible until all components are complete.

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Health, Social Care and Young People’s Settings Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
- Two references showing suitability to work with children and an enhanced DBS disclosure
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
This qualification may support progression into a range of job roles in the statutory, voluntary or private sectors, such as:
- Nursery assistant
- Classroom assistant
- Pre-school assistant
- Go on to study the Childcare and Education (Early Years Educator) Level 3 Technical Diploma
HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

CACHE

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 20341

What’s covered?
► Working in healthcare and care
► Communication in health & social care
► Equality, diversity and rights in health and social care
► Mental health and wellbeing

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Assignments
► 30 hours work placement (one day per week)

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Health, Social Care and Young People’s Settings Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent

What’s covered?
► safeguarding and protection in health and social care
► Human growth and development
► Anatomy and physiology

► Portfolio of evidence.
► All units within these qualifications are internally graded A* - D
► Two references showing suitability to work with children and an enhanced DBS disclosure
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
These qualifications do not provide a licence to practise, but may support progression into a range of job roles in the health and social care sector, including:
► Care support workers in adult residential settings
► Healthcare assistants in community, primary care and acute health environments
► Care support workers in domiciliary services, supported living or day services
► Community-based support workers

This qualification will also provide progression to the Health & Care Level 3 Extended Diploma.
CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION (EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR) LEVEL 3 TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 20283

What’s covered?
- Positive relationships
- Professional practice for 0-8 years
- Safeguarding children
- Positive environments
- Children’s learning and play
- Special needs
- Vocational work experience in a nursery, pre-school or school
- Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
Coursework, both in college and your work placement.

Entry requirements:
- Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Childcare and Education Level 2 Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
- Two references showing suitability to work with children and an enhanced DBS disclosure
- Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
- Higher education, including our BA (Hons) Early Years Education at South Essex College University Centre
- You may seek employment in a nursery, as a nanny in a private home or as a children’s holiday representative
HEALTH AND CARE
LEVEL 3 NATIONAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 20391

What’s covered?
► Human lifespan and development
► Working in health
► Work experience in health and social care
► Sociological perspectives
► Psychological perspectives
► Anatomy and physiology

How will my work be assessed?
► Synoptic assessment
► Coursework
► Exams
► 100 hours work placement

Entry requirements:
► Two GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, in addition to maths and English at grade 4/C or above
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Health and Social Care Level 2 Extended Certificate distinction grade), maths at grade 4/C or above and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► You will also require an enhanced DBS disclosure
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Higher education – degrees in social work/nursing/midwifery/radiography
► Work as a carer
► Advanced apprenticeship
ENGINEERING
ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Basildon (Luckyn Lane), Stephenson Road or Thurrock
Code: ET1

What’s covered?
► Cutting, forming and assembling engineering materials
► Introduction to welding
► Introduction to electronics
► Introduction to electrical Installation
► Introduction to computer maintenance

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Examinations

Entry requirements:
► GCSE English and Maths at grade 1 or equivalent.

What can I do after this?
Completion of the level 1 study programme in engineering can lead to the level 2 study programme.

ENGINEERING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Basildon (Luckyn Lane), Stephenson Road or Thurrock
Code: E2

What’s covered?
► Electrical and electronic systems
► Fitting and assembly techniques
► Environmental awareness
► Engineering techniques
► Engineering principles

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Examinations

Entry requirements:
► GCSE English and Maths at grade 3 or equivalent.

What can I do after this?
Completion of the level 2 study programme in engineering can lead to the level 3 qualification or an advanced apprenticeship within Advanced Engineering and Robotics or Transport and Logistics.
**ENGINEERING (CRAFT) LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA**

**EAL**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Basildon (Luckyn Lane)
- **Code:** EC3

**What’s covered?**
- Health and safety
- Engineering maths
- CNC
- Electrical testing
- TIG welding
- Fabrication
- Inspection and quality control

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Examinations

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSE English and Maths at grade 4 or equivalent.

**What can I do after this?**
Completion of the level 3 study programme in engineering can lead to an advanced apprenticeship within Advanced Engineering and Robotics or Transport and Logistics.

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**ENGINEERING LEVEL 3 NATIONAL FOUNDATION DIPLOMA**

**PEARSON**

- **How long:** Two years
- **Where:** Basildon (Luckyn Lane), Stephenson Road or Thurrock
- **Code:** 5732

**What’s covered?**
- Engineering principles
- Engineering processes
- CAD
- Product design and manufacture
- Commercial and quality principles
- Electronic and electrical testing
- Mechanical measurement

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Exams

**Entry requirements:**
- Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and science
- Alternatively you can gain entry via an Performing Engineering Operations Level 2 Diploma, plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
Higher education at university or college, including our HNC General Engineering at South Essex College University Centre.
REFRIGERATION AND AIR CONDITIONING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Basildon (Luckyn Lane)
Code: RAC

What’s covered?
► Designing and installing systems
► Running quality checks to make sure systems are working properly and safely
► Diagnosing and fixing faults

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework
► Examinations

Entry requirements:
► GCSE English at grade 3 and GCSE Maths at grade 4, or equivalent.

What can I do after this?
On completion of this qualification it is possible to progress to a refrigeration air conditioning and heat pump engineering technician apprenticeship.
ESOL

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES
ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES ENTRY LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES ENTRY LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock

What's covered?

► Develop English skills appropriate to the workplace, enhance your employability and improve your job prospects
► Achieve an English qualification
► Progress onto vocational courses
► Cope with everyday situations and develop knowledge of life in the United Kingdom
► Improve other key skills, including employability and maths

► You will study:
► Speaking, reading, writing and listening, spelling, grammar and punctuation and maths
► Employability and developing skills to live in the UK, including volunteering in your local community
► Work experience

How will my work be assessed?

► Exams/controlled assessments
► Coursework

Entry requirements:
We will assess your level of English before you enrol on the course.

What can I do after this?
You can progress onto a vocational course at South Essex College.
ACTIVE FUTURE ENTRY LEVEL CERTIFICATE

**GATEWAY**

How long: One year  
Where: Basildon (Luckyn Lane), Southend or Thurrock  
Code: 85804

**What’s covered?**
- Work/employability skills  
- Building a CV  
- Working with others (including outward bound, sports)  
- Maths and English  
- Work experience or voluntary placement

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Portfolio for work skills  
- Exams for maths and English

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level 3 in an assessment  
- Successful attendance at interview

**What can I do after this?**
- A full-time level 1 programme in your chosen vocational area  
- Supported internships or employment
PATHWAYS TO INDEPENDENCE ENTRY LEVEL TO LEVEL 1 ENTRY LEVEL

How long: One year
Where: Basildon, Southend or Thurrock
Code: 85731

What’s covered?
► Working with others
► Dealing with problems
► Community action - take part in employer-related community projects
► Maths and English
► Attend employment-related workshops
► Work experience or voluntary placement

How will my work be assessed?
► Portfolio

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level 3 in an assessment
► Successful attendance at interview
► Applicants will need to have an EHCP to be considered for this programme

What can I do after this?
► A full-time programme in your chosen vocational area
► Progress to employment or supported employment

ACTIVE FUTURE LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Basildon, Southend or Thurrock
Code: 85805

What’s covered?
► Work/employability skills
► Building a CV
► Working with others (including outward bound, sports)
► Maths and English
► Work experience or voluntary placement

How will my work be assessed?
► Portfolio for work Skills
► Exams for maths and English

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in an assessment
► Successful attendance at interview

What can I do after this?
► A full-time level 1 or a level 2 programme in your chosen vocational area
► Supported internships or employment
HAIR & BEAUTY
**SERVICE INDUSTRIES ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE**

**Gateway**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Southend or Thurrock
- **Code:** 85857

**What's covered?**
- Developing your maths and English skills
- Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
- Confidence and self esteem
- Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
- Links with the local community
- Work placement

**How will my work be assessed?**
Through a range of practical and written assessments.

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level three in maths and English in an assessment
- Successful attendance at interview event and satisfactory references
- You may be required to purchase a uniform and/or equipment

**What can I do after this?**
You can progress to a Level 1 qualification in beauty & hair, catering or sport.

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**BEAUTY THERAPY LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA**

**VTCT**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Southend or Thurrock
- **Code:** 6323

**What’s covered?**
Modules will include:
- Presenting a professional image in a salon
- The art of photographic make-up
- Providing basic manicure treatments
- Providing basic pedicure treatments
- Nail art application
- Skincare
- Basic make-up application
- Themed face painting
- Salon reception duties
- Follow health and safety in the salon
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
Practical and written assessments.

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment, or
- Have grade 1 or 2 in GCSE English and Maths
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Hair and Beauty Sector Entry Level 3 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at transition event
- You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

**What can I do after this?**
- Beauty Specialist Techniques Level 2 Diploma
- Hair and Media Make-up Level 2 Diploma
HAIRDRESSING
LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA
CITY & GUILDS

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 50048

What's covered?
► Professional image in a salon
► Shampoo and conditioning
► Styling male and female hair
► Plaiting and twisting hair
► Colour in the hair and beauty sector
► The art of dressing hair
► The art of colouring hair
► Salon reception duties
► Working with others
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
Through a range of practical assessment techniques, assignments and examinations. As this is a rigorous course of study you will be required to complete a large amount of work away from the college.

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment, or
► Hair and Beauty Sector Entry Level 3 Certificate plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at transition event
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?
After successful completion of the course you may progress to our Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing, or seek employment as an apprentice in a salon, spa, health farm or cruise ship.

BEAUTY SPECIALIST TECHNIQUES
LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA
VTCT

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 6337

What's covered?
► Health and safety in the salon
► Reception duties
► Client care and communication
► Facial skin care
► Eyelash and eyebrow treatments
► Display stock
► Apply and instruct on make-up
► Manicure and pedicure
► Skin tanning techniques

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical and written assessments
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Beauty Therapy Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?
You may progress to one of the college’s Level 3 Beauty Therapy programmes, which will qualify you to be a beauty therapist.

For more information visit www.southessex.ac.uk
HAIRDRESSING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year  
Where: Southend or Thurrock  
Code: 50026

What’s covered?  
Modules will include:  
► Follow health and safety in the salon  
► Client consultation  
► Shampoo and condition the hair and scalp  
► Cut women’s hair  
► Colour hair and lighten hair  
► Perm and neutralise hair  
► The art of dressing hair  
► Hairdressing design skills  
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?  
Through a range of practical assessment techniques, assignments and examinations. As this is a rigorous course of study you will be required to complete a large amount of work away from the college.

Entry requirements:  
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English  
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Hairdressing Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level one, or equivalent  
► Successful attendance at interview event  
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?  
After successful completion of the course you will progress on to our Hairdressing Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma, or seek employment as an apprentice junior in a salon, health farm, cruise ship or spa.

BARBERING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year  
Where: Southend or Thurrock  
Code: 50302

What’s covered?  
► Principles of practice of hairdressing  
► Shampoo, condition and treat the hair and scalp  
► Cut men’s hair using basic techniques  
► Cut facial hair to shape using basic techniques  
► Dry and finish men’s hair  
► Create basic outlines and detailing in hair

How will my work be assessed?  
► Portfolio of evidence  
► Synoptic test and examination

Entry requirements:  
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English,  
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Hairdressing Level 1 Diploma or equivalent and maths and English at level 1  
► Successful attendance at interview event and satisfactory references  
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?  
You can progress to study a Level 3 qualification in either barbering or hairdressing.
HAIR AND MEDIA MAKE-UP LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

VTCT

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 50043

What’s covered?
Modules will include:
► The art of photographic make-up
► Anatomy and physiology
► Client care and consultation
► The art of dressing hair
► Shampoo and condition the hair and scalp
► Plaiting and twisting hair
► Art of colouring hair
► Themed face paint
► Body art
► Provide eyelash and brow treatment
► Health and safety
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical and written assessments
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Hair and Beauty Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?
Theatrical and Media Hair and Make-up Level 3 Diploma

BEAUTY THERAPY STUDIES LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

VTCT

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 6340

What’s covered?
► Electrical science
► Facial and body electrical
► Client care and consultation
► Body analysis
► Anatomy and physiology
► Swedish massage
► Mechanical massage
► Health and safety
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical and written assessments
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► Beauty Specialist Techniques Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?
You will be prepared for employment in a beauty therapy salon, leisure centre, cruise liner or health farm.
**Hairdressing Level 3 Diploma**

**City & Guilds**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Thurrock
- **Code:** 50093

**What’s covered?**
- Hairdressing consultation services
- Cut hair using a combination of techniques
- Creatively colour and lighten hair
- Creatively style and dress hair
- Hair colour correction services
- Cut men’s hair using basic techniques
- Hair extensions (optional)
- Bridal hair
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Practical and written assessments
- Exams

**Entry requirements:**
- Hairdressing Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event
- You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

**What can I do after this?**
- You will be prepared for employment as a junior stylist
- You will be prepared for employment in the make-up industry

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**Nail Services NVQ Level 3 Diploma**

**VTCT**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Southend or Thurrock
- **Code:** 50200

**What’s covered?**
- Fibreglass nail enhancements
- Acrylic nail enhancements
- Hard gel nail enhancements
- Develop a range of creative nail images
- Nail art and airbrushing of the nails
- Health and safety
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Practical assessments
- Coursework
- Multiple choice examinations

**Entry requirements:**
- Hold a recognised manicure qualification - if you do not have this there may be the opportunity to achieve this alongside the nail qualification at an additional cost
- GCSE Maths and English at grade 4/C or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event
- You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

**What can I do after this?**
Progress to employment in a nail salon.
SPA AND BODY TREATMENTS LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

VTCT

How long: One year
Where: Thurrock Campus
Code: 50305

What’s covered?
Mandatory units:
► Provide body massage
► Provide massage using pre-blended aromatherapy oils
► Monitor and maintain spa area
► Provide spa treatments
► Client care and communication in beauty-related industries
► Monitor and maintain health and safety practice in the salon
► Maths and English

Optional units:
► Provide body electrotherapy treatments
► Origins, principles and theories of massage
► Apply stone therapy massage
► Maintaining personal health and wellbeing
► Provide Indian head massage

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical and written assessments
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► Beauty Specialist Techniques Level 2 Diploma, maths at grade four or above and English at grade four or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event and satisfactory references
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?
Gain employment or self employment in the spa sector
THEATRICAL MEDIA
HAIR & MAKE-UP
LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

VTCT

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 50267

What’s covered?
► Camouflage make-up
► Apply airbrush
► Style and fit postiche
► Fashion and photographic make-up
► Apply prosthetics
► Fantasy hair design
► Create and cast prosthetics (Thurrock)
► Planning a production (Southend)
► Media make-up
► Health & safety practices
► Client care & communication

How will my work be assessed?
► Your work will be assessed through a mixture of practical tasks and supporting written material. Your progress throughout will be supported by regular ongoing feedback.

Entry requirements:
► Hair and Media Make-up Level 2 Diploma, maths at grade four or above and English at grade four or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event and satisfactory references
► You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

What can I do after this?
Progress to university subject to entry requirements.
**IT USER SKILLS LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA**

**GATEWAY**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Southend or Thurrock
- **Code:** 85907

**What's covered?**
- Presentation software
- Website software
- Database software
- Using the internet
- Audio and video software
- Design software
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Project/portfolio based learning
- Planning of work
- Completed work
- Evaluations of work
- Examinations in English and maths

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English through an assessment
- Successful attendance at an interview

**What can I do after this?**
Successful candidates can progress to the Level 2 ICT/Creative Media/Games Diploma.

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**IT USER SKILLS LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA**

**BTEC**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Southend or Thurrock
- **Code:** 6023

**What's covered?**
- Online world
- Technology systems
- Digital portfolio
- Creating digital graphics
- Multimedia products development
- Website development
- Installing hardware and software
- Building a career portfolio
- English and maths

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Project/portfolio based learning
- External examination
- Practical tasks
- Independent assignments
- Examinations in English and maths

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs at Grade 3/D in maths and English
- Digital Technologies Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent
- You will be asked to produce evidence of your ability in this subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
- Successful attendance at an interview event

**What can I do after this?**
Successful candidates can progress to the Level 3 Extended ICT diploma.
IT LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

**BTEC**

**How long:** Two years

**Where:** Southend or Thurrock

**Code:** 45133

**What’s covered?**

- Communications & employability skills
- Information technology systems
- Using social media in business
- Programming
- Mobile apps development
- Systems analysis & design
- Website production
- Data modelling
- Creating systems to manage information

**How will my work be assessed?**

- Written/online exams
- Group discussions
- Written articles
- Course assignments
- Practical activities
- Reflective writing
- Group and/or individual presentations
- Self-directed learning through blended learning activities

**Entry requirements:**

- Four GCSEs at grade four/grade C or above (preferably including English and maths), or
- Level 2 Extended Certificate in ICT plus maths and English at level one, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**

- Bsc or foundation degree in IT
- Higher National Certificate (HNC) in Computing and Systems Development

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**MEDIA AND PERFORMING ARTS ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE**

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**What's covered?**
- Developing your maths and English skills
- Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
- Confidence and self esteem
- Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
- Links with the local community
- Work placement

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Written assignments
- Presentations
- Discussions
- Group work

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level three in maths and English in an assessment
- Successful attendance at transition event

**What can I do after this?**
You can progress to a Level 1 qualification in media or performing arts.

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**DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES (MEDIA PATHWAY) LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA**

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**What's covered?**
- Video production/editing
- Animation
- Web design
- Sound and radio
- Photography
- Digital publishing
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Project/portfolio based learning
- Planning of work
- Completed work
- Evaluations of work
- Examinations in English and maths

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment

**What can I do after this?**
- Successful candidates can progress to the Level 2 ICT/Creative Media/Games Diploma
- Successful attendance at transition event
DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES (MEDIA PATHWAY) LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 60103

What’s covered?
► Understanding the media industry
► Web design
► Video production
► Sound and radio production
► Advertising and advertising techniques
► Digital publishing
► Photographic techniques
► Stop motion animation
► Media audiences
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Project/portfolio based learning
► Practical tasks
► Planning of work
► Completed work
► Evaluations of work
► Examinations in English and maths

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at Grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Digital Technologies Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent
► You will be asked to produce evidence of your ability in this subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at an interview event

What can I do after this?
You can progress to a range of Level 3 courses.

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DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES COMPUTER GAMES DESIGN LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year  
Where: Southend  
Code: 60104

What’s covered?
► Deconstructing computer games  
► 2D digital art for computer games  
► Research for creative media production and computer games design  
► 2D computer games engines  
► Web authoring  
► The creative media industry  
► Media audiences and products  
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Project/portfolio-based learning  
► Practical tasks with supporting written material  
► Planning of work  
► Completed work  
► Evaluations of work  
► Examinations in English and maths

Entry requirements:  
► GCSEs at Grade 3/D in maths and English  
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Digital Technologies Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent  
► You will be asked to produce evidence of your ability in this subject which could be in the form of a portfolio  
► Successful attendance at an interview event

What can I do after this?
You can progress to a range of Level 3 courses.
CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION (ANIMATION)
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60155

What’s covered?
► Digital 2D animation
► Traditional 2D animation
► 3D animation (CGI)
► Stop-motion animation
► Filmmaking and visual effects
► Character design & concept development
► Storyboarding
► Software applications including Adobe Creative Suite & Final Cut Pro
► Script writing & narrative development
► Film & animation
► Cultural/contextual theory
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical tasks and supporting written material

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Creative Digital Media Production Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Digital Animation at South Essex College University Centre
CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION (BROADCAST MEDIA) LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

UAL

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60027

What’s covered?
► How to pitch new product ideas
► Concept development
► Digital publishing
► Digital video and audio editing skills
► Studio work, motion graphics and visual effects software skills
► Producing a professional show-reel of media products
► Media theory
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical tasks and supporting written material

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Creative Media Production related Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Film and Television Production at South Essex College University Centre.
CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION (PRINT MEDIA AND JOURNALISM) LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60151

What’s covered?
► Newspaper and magazine production
► Article writing
► Interview and presentation techniques
► Website design
► Photography
► Digital image manipulation
► Traditional print methods
► Visual analysis
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
Practical tasks and supporting written material.

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Creative Digital Media Production Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Photography and BA (Hons) Graphic Design at South Essex College University Centre.
CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION (TELEVISION AND FILM PRODUCTION) LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60152

What’s covered?
► Making a television advertisement
► Filming a television documentary
► Filming and editing a music video
► Television drama
► Creating motion graphics
► Working with visual effects (VFX)
► Short film projects and a final piece for exhibition
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical tasks and supporting written material

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Creative Digital Media Production Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Film and Television Production at South Essex College University Centre.
CREATIVE MEDIA
(GAMES DEVELOPMENT) LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60153

What’s covered?
► 3D modelling and programming
► 2D programming
► Digital graphics
► Drawing concept art for computer games
► Computer game platforms and technology
► Story development for computer games
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical tasks and supporting written material

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Digital Technologies Computer Games design Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college, including our BSc (Hons) Games Design at South Essex College University Centre.
producer or director

with a Level 1 - 3 qualification
you can progress to degree
and post-graduate studies

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journalist newspaper
or periodical editor

with a Level 1 - 3 qualification
MOTOR VEHICLE
**MOTOR VEHICLE (PATHWAY) ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE**

**GATEWAY**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Stephenson Road  
**Code:** 85851

**What’s covered?**
- Developing your maths and English skills  
- Foundation employability skills to help you in any job  
- Confidence and self esteem  
- Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics  
- Links with the local community  
- Work placement

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Oral questions and practical tasks

**Entry requirements:**
- Demonstrate the ability to work at Entry Level 3 in maths and English in an assessment  
- Successful attendance at interview event and satisfactory references

**What can I do after this?**
- Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 1 Certificate

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**MOTOR VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA**

**IMI**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Stephenson Road  
**Code:** 35049

**What’s covered?**
- Carrying out routine vehicle maintenance  
- Chassis system faults and auxiliary equipment electrical faults  
- Development of hand and hand tool skills  
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework  
- Practical assessments  
- Examinations

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs at grade 2/E in maths and English  
- Successful attendance at transition event

**What can I do after this?**
- Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 2 Certificate  
- Fabrication and Welding Level 2 Certificate
TRANSPORT MAINTENANCE (MOTORCYCLE) LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Stephenson Road
Code: 35227

What’s covered?
► Health and safety in the work place
► Locating, interpreting and using technical information
► Applying engineering techniques in an automotive environment
► The retail motor industry
► Preparation for riding a motorcycle or moped
► Reducing risks when driving vehicles
► Health and safety practices in a maintenance and repair environment
► Tools, equipment and consumable materials for vehicle maintenance
► Health and safety practices in a valeting and detailing environment
► Motorcycle steering and suspension system components and maintenance
► Motorcycle braking system components and maintenance
► Routine motorcycle maintenance and service adjustment processes
► Motorcycle wheel and tyre construction and maintenance
► Motorcycle exhaust system components and maintenance
► Electrical foundation skills

How will my work be assessed?
This qualification has a practical approach to assessment and includes many visual questioning techniques, which will stimulate and interest you.

Assessment techniques include:
► Task-based assessments
► Observation
► Oral questioning
► Online assessments

Entry requirements:
► GCSE’s at grade 2/E or above including English and Maths

What can I do after this?
Following completion of this course you could undertake a qualification which will support your progress to a Foundation (Level 1) or Higher (Level 2) certificate or Diploma.
**Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 2 Certificate**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Stephenson Road
- **Code:** 35047

**What's covered?**
- Motor vehicle practical skills
- Motor vehicle technology (engine, chassis, transmission and electrical)
- Fault diagnosis of non-complex faults
- Health and safety
- Removing and replacing units and components
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 1 Certificate plus maths and English at grade 3/D or above, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
- Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 3 Diploma
- Motor vehicle apprenticeship

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**Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 3 Diploma**

- **How long:** One year
- **Where:** Stephenson Road
- **Code:** 35052

**What's covered?**
- Advanced service and repair techniques
- Advanced diagnosis processes
- Theory including vehicular maths, science, electronics and ICT
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Coursework
- Practical assessments

**Entry requirements:**
- Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 2 Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
After successful completion of the course you can progress into employment and with experience undertake supervisory qualifications.
Vehicle body builder or repairer
with a Level 1 - 3 qualification

Tyre, exhaust or windscreen fitter
with a Level 1 - 3 qualification
MUSIC
MUSIC, PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION (TECHNICAL THEATRE) LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Thurrock
Code: 60137MA

What’s covered?
► Introduction to music, performing and production Arts
► Introduction to research for music, performing and production arts
► Communicating with an audience for music and performing Arts
► Production development for music and performing arts
► Performance development for music and performing arts
► Music, performing and production arts project

How will my work be assessed?
Level 1 Music, Performance and Production will be internally assessed and internally and externally moderated against the assessment criteria for the units.

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level one in English and maths in an assessment
► A relevant performing arts qualification is desirable, but not essential

What can I do after this?
Successful candidates can progress to Level 2 Performing and Production Arts.
MUSIC, PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION (MUSIC PATHWAY) LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 60158

What’s covered?
► An introduction to the equipment and processes used in music performing and production arts, and the skills necessary to record and express ideas
► An understanding of how contextual research is used to support creative activities
► An introduction to the communication skills used in support of creative activities
► Develop an understanding of the role that communication skills play in informing and developing ideas
► An opportunity to use acquired skills, knowledge and understanding to explore and resolve creative problems
► An opportunity to develop personal strengths in performing and production arts and to use the knowledge, understanding and skills developed in previous units

How will my work be assessed?
► Project/portfolio based learning
► Practical tasks
► Performance
► Evaluation of work
► Examinations in English and maths

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English through an assessment
► Successful attendance at an interview event

What can I do after this?
Successful candidates can progress to the Level 2 Diploma in Music Performance and Production at South Essex College.
MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 6220

What's covered?
► Planning and creating a musical product
► Exploring the music industry
► Exploring musical composition
► Producing and recording music
► Exploring and using music production software
► Working as an ensemble
► Rehearsal techniques
► Composition
► Planning and supporting a musical production
► Music theory
► English and maths

How will my work be assessed?
► Project/portfolio based learning
► Practical tasks
► Performance
► Evaluation of work
► Examinations in English and maths

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Music Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent
► You will be asked to produce evidence of your ability in this subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at an interview event

What can I do after this?
You can progress to the Music Performance Level 3 Extended Diploma at South Essex College.
MUSIC PERFORMANCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60157

What’s covered?
► Arranging
► Composing
► Improvising music
► Listening skills for musicians
► Planning a music project
► Working and developing as a music ensemble
► Music performance session styles and techniques
► Music theory and harmony
► Singing and performance techniques
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical assessments and live performances
► Coursework and presentations

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Successful attendance at interview event
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Music Performance And Production Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college.

MUSIC TECHNOLOGY LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60156

What’s covered?
► Acoustics
► Audio engineering
► Live sound
► Concert staging and production
► Music sequencing
► Music theory
► Listening skills for musicians
► Sound for film
► Music industry
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Practical assessments and live performances
► Coursework and presentations

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Music Performance And Production Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college.
PERFORMING ARTS
MUSIC, PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION (PERFORMANCE PATHWAY) LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

UAL

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 60159

What's covered?
► An introduction to the equipment and processes used in performing and production arts and the skills necessary to record and express ideas
► An understanding of how contextual research is used to support creative activities
► An introduction to the communication skills used in support of creative activities
► Develop an understanding of the role that communication skills play in informing and developing ideas
► An opportunity to use acquired skills, knowledge and understanding to explore and resolve creative problems
► An opportunity to develop personal strengths in performing and production arts and to use the knowledge, understanding and skills developed in previous units

How will my work be assessed?
► Project/portfolio based learning
► Practical tasks
► Performance
► Evaluation of work
► Examinations in English and maths

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English through an assessment
► Successful attendance at an interview event

What can I do after this?
Successful candidates can progress to the Level 2 Diploma in Performing and Production Arts at South Essex College.
PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS (ACTING ) LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

UAL

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 60105

What’s covered?
► Performing scripted plays
► Devising plays
► Physical theatre
► Acting styles
► Research
► Reflection and self-evaluation
► Rehearsal technique
► Performances

How will my work be assessed?
► Project / portfolio based learning
► Workshops / rehearsals
► Performance
► Evaluation of work
► Self-evaluation of own practice
► Examinations in English and maths

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at Grade 3/D or above including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Performing Arts Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent
► You will be asked to produce evidence of your ability in this subject which could be in the form of a portfolio
► Successful attendance at an audition and interview

What can I do after this?
You can progress to the Level 3 Extended Diploma at South Essex College.
PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS (DANCE) LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year  
Where: Southend  
Code: 60106

What’s covered?
► Classical ballet  
► Jazz  
► Tap  
► Contemporary  
► Commercial  
► Body Conditioning  
► Choreography  
► Rehearsal technique and etiquette  
► Performance skills  
► Research  
► Practical and creative context  
► Progression onto higher education and vocational training  
► English and maths

How will my work be assessed?
► Project/portfolio based learning  
► Practical tasks  
► Performance  
► Evaluation of work  
► Self-evaluation of own practice  
► Reflective processes  
► Examinations in English and maths

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 3/D or above including maths and English  
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Performing And Production Arts (Acting) Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1 or equivalent  
► You will be asked to produce evidence of your ability in this subject which could be in the form of a portfolio  
► Successful attendance at an audition and interview  
► Please be aware that performance assessment may take place at our Thurrock Campus

What can I do after this?
You can progress to the Level 3 Extended Diploma at South Essex College.
PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS (LIVE EVENTS AND THEATRE PRODUCTION) LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Thurrock
Code: 60138MA

What’s covered?
► Introduction to performance
► Introduction to production
► Communicating with an audience
► Staging a performance
► Contextual research for performance and production
► Performance skills and practice
► Production skills and practice
► Personal project and presentation
► Producing and performing to an audience

How will my work be assessed?
► Level 2 Award & Diploma in Performing and Production Arts will be internally assessed and externally moderated against the assessment criteria for the units.

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at Grade 3 in maths and English
► A relevant performing arts qualification is desirable, but not essential

What can I do after this?
Successful candidates can progress to Level 3 Performing and Production Arts.

PERFORMING ARTS (ACTING) LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60107

What’s covered?
► Historical context of performance
► The performing arts business
► Physical theatre performance
► Children’s theatre performance
► Acting auditions
► Acting for film and TV
► Classical and contemporary theatre
► Developing your voice
► Scriptwriting skills
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Rehearsals and performances
► Portfolios, essays and presentations
► Evaluations and group discussions

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade four/grade C or above, including maths and English, or
► Performing Arts (Acting) Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade four/grade C or above, or equivalent
► You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which will be in the form of an audition

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university, college or conservatoire, including our HND Performance at South Essex College University Centre.
PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS (DANCE) LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60108

What’s covered?
► Classical ballet
► Jazz
► Tap
► Contemporary
► Commercial
► Body conditioning
► Choreography
► Rehearsal technique and etiquette
► Performance skills
► Contextual awareness and research skills
► Critical analysis and reflection skills
► Progression onto higher education and vocational training
► English and maths
► Please be aware that some performances may be at our Thurrock Campus.

How will my work be assessed?
► Project/portfolio based learning
► Practical tasks
► Performance
► Self-evaluation of own practice
► Reflective processes

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above including English language and maths
► You will be asked to produce evidence of your academic ability in all subjects which could be in the form of a portfolio evidencing target grades
► Successful attendance at an audition and interview

What can I do after this?
You can progress to the Level 4 and 5 Higher National Diploma in Performance at South Essex College, vocational dance and musical theatre colleges or a full degree.
Performing and Production Arts (Musical Theatre) Level 3 Extended Diploma

UAL

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 60109

What’s covered?
- Musical theatre styles and genres
- Singing techniques (ensemble and solo)
- Musical theatre acting techniques
- Ballet, tap and jazz techniques
- Developing your speaking voice (articulation)
- Analysis of text and the written word

How will my work be assessed?
- Project/portfolio based learning
- Practical tasks
- Performance
- Self-evaluation of own practice
- Reflective processes

Entry requirements:
- Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above including English language and maths
- You will be asked to produce evidence of your academic ability in all subjects which could be in the form of a portfolio evidencing target grades
- Successful attendance at an audition and interview

What can I do after this?
Progress onto a vocational drama school training or university degree qualification.
PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS
(LIVE EVENTS AND THEATRE PRODUCTION)
LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

UAL

How long: Two years
Where: Thurrock
Code: 6239MA

What's covered?
► Principles of performance
► Engaging with an audience
► Introduction to professional practice
► Critical and contextual awareness
► Production skills and context
► Performance skills and context
► Preparation for specialist study
► Collaborative performance project

How will my work be assessed?
► Level 3 Diploma in Performing and Production Arts will be internally assessed and internally and externally moderated against the assessment criteria for the units.

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at Grade 4 in maths and/or English
► Three other GCSE grade 4 or above in any subject
► A relevant performing arts qualification is desirable, but not essential

What can I do after this?
Successful candidates can progress to Level 3 Extended Diploma Performing and Production Arts.
PUBLIC SERVICES
SKILLS FOR PUBLIC SERVICES LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

GATEWAY

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 20256

What’s covered?
► Working in public services
► Career planning for public services
► Expedition skills
► Fitness testing and training
► Volunteering in public services
► Public service incidents
► Public services: assisting the public
► Forensic detection
► Searching for a job
► Applying for a job
► Preparation for interview
► Time management
► Skills for team workers
► Setting and meeting targets at work
► Maths and English

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Most students will experience a residential visit, so a sleeping bag, suitable walking and bad weather clothing will be expected.

A key element of your course is the attainment of functional skills (English and maths). You will study both of these essential functional skills.

How will my work be assessed?
► Portfolio of evidence

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
► Public Services Level 2 Diploma
PUBLIC SERVICES LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 20257

What’s covered?
► Working in public services
► Career planning for public services
► Basic first aid principles
► Using ICT in the workplace
► Crime and society
► Planning own fitness programme
► Adventurous activities and teamwork for the public services
► Carrying out a public services project
► Working in a team
► Volunteering in public services
► Effective communication in the workplace
► Interview skills
► Maths and English

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How will my work be assessed?
► Portfolio of evidence

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Public Services Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Public Services Level 3 Extended Diploma
ENTRY TO THE UNIFORMED SERVICES LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

NCFE

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 5459

What’s covered?
► Government, policies and the public services
► Leadership and teamwork in the public services
► Citizenship, diversity and the public services
► Understanding discipline in the uniformed public services
► Exercise, health and lifestyle
► Skills for land-based outdoor and adventurous activities
► Crime and its effect on society
► Land navigation by map and compass
► Maths and English
► Fitness testing and training
► Outdoor and adventurous expeditions
► Command and control in the uniformed public services
► Responding to emergency service incidents
► Planning and management of major incidents
► Practical team sports
► Security procedures in the public services
► Instructing physical activity and exercise
► Forensic evidence collection and analysis

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How will my work be assessed?
Presentations, reports, essays, exhibitions and discussions.

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Public Services Level 2 Diploma plus maths at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college to study subjects such as criminology or sociology.
SPORT
SERVICE INDUSTRIES ENTRY LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE

How long: One year
Where: Southend ot Thurrock
Code: 85857

What’s covered?
► Developing your maths and English skills
► Foundation employability skills to help you in any job
► Confidence and self esteem
► Vocational sessions on your chosen pathway to get you the basics
► Links with the local community
► Work placement

How will my work be assessed?
Through a range of practical and written assessments.

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at entry level three in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at interview event and satisfactory references
► You may be required to purchase a uniform and/or equipment

What can I do after this?
You can progress to a Level 1 qualification in beauty & hair, catering or sport.
SPORT AND ACTIVE LEISURE LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 55121

What’s covered?
► Working in sport and active leisure
► Taking part in exercise and fitness
► Risks and hazards in sport and active leisure
► Components and functions of the body in physical activity
► Planning a healthy diet
► Understanding the principles of conducting coaching activities in sport
► Planning own fitness programme
► Assisting a leader of sports or active leisure activities to plan and deliver an activity
► Searching for a job
► Applying for a job
► Preparation for interview
► Time management
► Skills for team workers
► Setting and meeting targets at work
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
Portfolio of evidence

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at level 1 in maths and English in an assessment
► Successful attendance at transition event

What can I do after this?
► Sport and Active Leisure Level 2 Diploma
► Physical Activity, Fitness and Exercise Science Level 2 Diploma

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, FITNESS AND EXERCISE SCIENCE (PERSONAL TRAINING ACADEMY) LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 55123

What’s covered?
Modules include:
► Principles of anatomy, physiology and fitness
► Planning and instructing gym-based exercise
► Skills for entering employment
► Planning and instructing a circuit training session
► Planning and instructing a kettlebell exercise session
► Planning and instructing a suspended movement training exercise session
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Multiple-choice theory exams
► Assignments and worksheets
► Observations

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Sport and Active Leisure Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Physical Activity, Fitness and Exercise Level 3 Diploma
► Sport and Exercise Sciences Level 3 Extended Diploma

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SKILLS FOR SPORT AND ACTIVE LEISURE - FOOTBALL ACADEMY LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

How long: One year  
Where: Southend  
Code: 55142

What’s covered?
► Practical sport
► Psychology for sports performance
► Planning and leading sport or active leisure activities
► Fitness testing and training
► Anatomy and physiology for sport
► Exercise and fitness instruction

How will my work be assessed?
► Portfolio-based
► Written assessments
► Presentations
► Practical performance and evaluation

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/grade D in maths and English, or
► Sport and Active Leisure Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level one, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event and football trial

What can I do after this?
Successful candidates can progress onto Level 3 sport programmes or pursue a career as a coach

SPORT AND ACTIVE LEISURE LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

How long: One year  
Where: Southend or Thurrock  
Code: 55122

What’s covered?
► Practical sport
► Interview skills
► Working in a team
► Effective communication in the workplace
► Fitness testing and training
► Anatomy and physiology for sport
► Psychology for sports performance
► Exercise and fitness instruction
► Planning and leading sport or active leisure activities
► Basic first aid principles
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
Portfolio of evidence.

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Sport and Active Leisure Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
► Football Academy Level 3 Diploma
► Golf Academy Level 3 Diploma
► Sport and Exercise Sciences Level 3 Extended Diploma
► Physical Activity, Fitness and Exercise Level 3 Diploma
FOOTBALL ACADEMY LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

BTEC

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 55126

What’s covered?

Year one:
► Anatomy for sport and exercise
► Sport and exercise physiology
► Sport and exercise psychology
► Fitness testing for sport and exercise
► Sports nutrition
► Sports coaching
► Maths and English

Year two:
► Sports injuries
► Practical team sports
► Research project in sport and exercise sciences
► Work experience in sport
► Research methods in sport and exercise sciences
► Sports biomechanics in action

How will my work be assessed?
► Presentations
► Reports
► Essays
► Exhibitions
► Discussions
► Group work
► Individual assessments

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and physical education
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Sport and Active Leisure Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at football trial

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college.

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GOLF ACADEMY LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

BTEC

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 55139

What's covered?

Year one:
► Anatomy for sport and exercise
► Sport and exercise physiology
► Sport and exercise psychology
► Fitness testing for sport and exercise

Year two:
► Sports injuries
► Research project in sport and exercise sciences
► Practical team sports

How will my work be assessed?
► Presentations
► Reports
► Essays
► Exhibitions

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths, English and physical education
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Sport and Active Leisure Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at golf trial

What can I do after this?
Progress to the Exercise, Health & Sports Performance BSc (Hons) at South Essex College University Centre
PHYSICAL ACTIVITY, FITNESS AND EXERCISE
(PERSONAL TRAINING ACADEMY)
LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

ACTIVE IQ

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 55124

What’s covered?
► Principles of anatomy, physiology and fitness
► Planning and instructing gym-based exercise
► Principles of customer care
► Working in active leisure facilities
► Health and safety in the workplace
► Managing personal and professional development
► Skills for entering employment
► Planning a circuit training session
► Instructing a circuit training session
► Planning a kettlebell exercise session
► Instructing a kettlebell exercise session
► Planning a suspended movement training exercise session
► Instructing a suspended movement training exercise session
► Organising events in active leisure
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Presentations, practical assignments and coursework
► Exams

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above in maths, English, science and physical education
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Physical Activity, Fitness and Exercise Science Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college.
SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCES
LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
BTEC

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 6503

What’s covered?

Year one:
► Anatomy for sport and exercise
► Sport and exercise physiology
► Sport and exercise psychology
► Research methods for sport and exercise sciences
► Fitness testing for sport and exercise
► Exercise, health and lifestyle
► Sports nutrition
► Current issues in sport
► Sports coaching
► Maths and English

Year two:
► Research project in sport and exercise sciences
► Sports biomechanics in action
► Fitness training and programming
► Sports injuries
► Practical team sports
► Applied sport and exercise psychology
► Applied sport and exercise physiology
► Work experience in sport
► Laboratory and experimental methods in sport and exercise sciences

You can study A-level Biology alongside this course.

How will my work be assessed?
► Presentations
► Reports
► Essays
► Exhibitions
► Discussions
► Group work
► Individual assessments.

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above in maths, English, science and physical education
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Sport and Active Leisure Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college.
TRAVEL & TOURISM
HOSPITALITY AND
TOURISM LEVEL 1
INTRODUCTORY
DIPLOMA
PEARSON

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 50382

What’s covered?
► Being organised
► Developing a personal progression plan
► Working with others
► Researching a topic
► Preparing and cooking food
► Serving food and drink
► Exploring local visitor attractions
► Exploring travel and tourism in the UK
► Contribute to running a hospitality and tourism event
► Delivering customer service in Hospitality and tourism
► Using websites to make holiday choices
► Promoting hospitality and tourism events

How will my work be assessed?
► All work is assessed internally and will include practical tasks, presentations, role play, interviews and written assignments

Entry requirements:
► Demonstrate the ability to work at Level 1 in maths and English
► Successful attendance at transition day

What can I do after this?
► Successful candidates can progress to Level 2 programmes in Professional Cookery, Patisserie, Travel & Tourism or Aviation

AIR CABIN CREW
LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA
CITY & GUILDS

How long: One year
Where: Southend
Code: 55111

What’s covered?
► Introduction to airline / aviation operations
► Airline health, safety and security
► Airline emergency procedures
► Crew room duties
► Role of air cabin crew (on board)
► Preparation for employment as air cabin crew
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Multiple choice examination
► Complete assignments
► Practical demonstrations/role plays

Entry requirements:
► GCSEs at grade three/grade D in maths and English, or
► Travel and Tourism Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level one, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event
► Students MUST be able to swim
► Be a minimum height of 5 feet 3 inches
► There is a contribution cost of £100 for off-site airline assessment

What can I do after this?
► Travel and Tourism Level 3 extended Diploma
**AVIATION ENVIRONMENT LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA**

**City & Guilds**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 35248

**What’s covered?**
- Health and safety within aviation
- Aviation security
- Aviation communications
- Airport check-in services
- Aircraft check-in services
- Aircraft boarding and arriving services
- Airport baggage processing
- Loading and unloading of aircraft
- Airport baggage facilities
- Aviation passengers with special requirements
- Aircraft load instruction reports
- Aircraft marshalling
- Support flight operations
- Aircraft dispatch process

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Work will be assessed in the form of written assignment tasks, practical activities and short answer question papers

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs at grade 3/grade D in maths and English, or
- Hospitality and Tourism Level 1 Diploma plus English and maths at level one, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
Successful candidates can progress to the Level 3 Travel and Tourism or Aviation courses.

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**TRAVEL AND TOURISM LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA**

**City & Guilds**

**How long:** One year  
**Where:** Southend or Thurrock  
**Code:** 6657

**What’s covered?**
- Interpersonal skills
- Worldwide travel and tourism
- Principles of customer service
- Resort representatives
- Introduction to the cruise industry
- Customer service and selling skills
- Retail travel
- Maths and English

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Short answer questions
- Assignments
- Practical demonstrations and role plays
- Online tests

**Entry requirements:**
- GCSEs at grade 3/D in maths and English, or
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Travel and Tourism Level 1 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

**What can I do after this?**
- Travel and Tourism Level 3 Extended Diploma
- Aviation Operations Level 3 Diploma
TRAVEL AND TOURISM LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend or Thurrock
Code: 6635

What’s covered?
Modules include:
► Investigating the travel and tourism sector
► The UK as a destination
► Customer service in travel and tourism
► Long-haul travel destinations
► UK visitor attractions
► Hospitality operations in travel and tourism
► Entertainment for holidaymakers
► Events, conferences and exhibitions
► Marketing travel and tourism products and services
► Resort representatives
► Work experience
► Maths and English

How will my work be assessed?
► Written reports, graphs and posters
► Projects and performance observation
► Time-constrained assessments

Entry requirements:
► Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
► Alternatively you can gain entry via a Travel and Tourism Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C, or equivalent
► Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
You will be prepared for employment in the industry.
AVIATION OPERATIONS LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 6664

What's covered?
- The UK aviation industry
- Health and safety in the aviation industry
- Security in the aviation industry
- Inter-relationships within the UK aviation industry
- Customer service in the aviation industry
- Aircraft dispatch
- Airfield operations
- Maths and English

In the second year you will be undertaking research on optional units such as:
- Managing conflict in aviation
- Marketing in the aviation industry
- Human resources in the aviation industry
- Aviation geography and terminology
- Aviation economics
- Preparation for employment in the aviation industry

How will my work be assessed?
- Written reports
- Graphs and posters
- Projects
- Performance observation
- Time-constrained assessments

Entry requirements:
- Four GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English
- Alternatively you can gain entry via a Travel and Tourism Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4/C or above, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event

What can I do after this?
You will be prepared for employment in the industry.
A-LEVELS
**BIOLOGY A-LEVEL**

AQA

| How long: | Two years |
| Where: | Southend |
| Code: | 25015 |

**What’s covered?**

**Year one:**
- Biological molecules
- Cells
- Organisms exchange substances with their environment
- Genetic information, variation and relationships between organisms

**Year two:**
- Energy transfers in and between organisms
- Organisms respond to changes in their internal and external environments
- Genetics, populations, evolution and ecosystems
- The control of gene expression

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Exams: 100%, including 12 assessed practicals

**Entry requirements:**
- Maths and English language at grade 6/grade B or above
- Biology, chemistry and physics or double award science at grade 6/grade B or above
- Two additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

**What can I do after this?**

Higher education at university or college to study medicine, dentistry, veterinary science, marine biology, forensic science, nursing or physiotherapy.
**CHEMISTRY A-LEVEL**

**OCR**

**How long:** Two years  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 25015

**What’s covered?**

**Year one:**  
► Development of practical skills in chemistry  
► Foundations in chemistry  
► Periodic table and energy  
► Core organic chemistry

**Year two:**  
► Physical chemistry and transition elements  
► Organic chemistry and analysis

**How will my work be assessed?**

► Three written papers: 100% exam including: 12 assessed practicals

**Entry requirements:**

► Maths at grade 6/B or above  
► English language at grade 4/C or above  
► Chemistry or double award science at grade 6/B or above  
► Two additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

**What can I do after this?**  
Higher education at university or college to study science, medicine or veterinary science.

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**ENGLISH LITERATURE A-LEVEL**

**AQA**

**How long:** Two years  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 25015

**What’s covered?**

► Literary genres: aspects of tragedy  
► A Shakespeare play, second drama text, one novel and poetry  
► Evaluate approaches to, for example, heroes, villains, women, race, politics and power  
► Text and genres: elements of political and social protest writing  
► A post-2000 novel, one poetry text, one other text prose or drama exploring power and powerlessness at the core of each text  
► Coursework covering theory and independence: select two texts and analyse them through the lens of a specific critical theory, for example Marxism, feminism or post-colonialism

**How will my work be assessed?**

► Written examination: 80%  
► Coursework components: 20%

**Entry requirements:**

► English language OR English literature at grade 6/B or above  
► Maths at grade 4/grade C or above  
► Two additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

**What can I do after this?**  
Higher education at university or college in the creative and social sciences, such as English literature, drama, law, history or sociology.
FILM STUDIES A-LEVEL

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 25015

What’s covered?

Year one:
► British and American cinema, incorporating topics such as genre, narrative, cinematography and a focus upon a specific era of British cinema
► Two pieces of coursework are required, a formal essay and either a photographed storyboard or an extended step outline of an original concept

Year two:
► World cinema as an alternative to Hollywood cinema
► The role of spectatorship in the viewing process, with a particular emphasis on emotional response to film texts
► A close-study of a chosen film
► A small-scale research project on a chosen area of study (usually of a director, genre or star)
► A screenplay

How will my work be assessed?
► Coursework: 20%
► Exams: 80%

Entry requirements:
► Maths and English language at grade 4/C or above
► Three additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Film and Television Production at South Essex College University Centre.

HISTORY A-LEVEL

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 25015

What’s covered?

Year one:
► British history consisting of the study of the Tudor Dynasty from 1483 to 1603
► European history dealing with Nazi Germany from 1933 to 1945
► Tsarist and Soviet Russia from 1855 to 1991 (Coursework essay 20%)

Year two:
► The state and the people: change and continuity
► Historical enquiry

How will my work be assessed?
► Exams: 80%
► Coursework essay: 20%

Entry requirements:
► Maths at grade 4/C or above
► English language at grade 6/B or above
► Three additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

What can I do after this?
Higher education at university or college to study subjects such as history, politics, law, social work and journalism.
### LAW A-LEVEL

**AQA**

**How long:** Two years  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 25015

**What’s covered?**

**Year one:**
- Law making and the legal system: the different ways in which law is created, the sources of law, the various influences that lead to a change in law by parliament and how the legal system works  
- The concept of liability: what is required to be guilty of a crime, what is required for a successful civil action in negligence, criminal sentencing and civil sanctions

**Year two:**
- Criminal law: murder, manslaughter, non-fatal offences against the person, theft, robbery, burglary, fraud and possible defences  
- Concepts of law: law and morality, law and justice, balancing conflicting rights, fault, judicial creativity

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Exams: 100%

**Entry requirements:**
- English language at grade 6/B or above  
- Maths at grade 4/C or above  
- Three additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

**What can I do after this?**
Higher education at university or college, including the LLB in Law if you wish to pursue a career as a legal professional.

### MEDIA A-LEVEL

**WJEC**

**How long:** Two years  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 25015

**What’s covered?**

**Year one:**
- Media language  
- Representation  
- Media industries  
- Audiences

**Year two:**
- Critical perspectives in media  
- Reflective analysis of practical skills and work  
- Television  
- Film  
- Radio  
- Newspapers  
- Magazines  
- Advertising and marketing  
- Online, social and participatory media  
- Video games  
- Music video

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Exams: 80%  
- Coursework: 20%

**Entry requirements:**
- Maths and English language at grade 4/C or above  
- Three additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

**What can I do after this?**
Higher education at university or college, including our BA (Hons) Film and Television Production at South Essex College University Centre

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**PHYSICS A-LEVEL**

**AQA**

**How long:** Two years  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 25015

**What’s covered?**

**Year one:**
- Measurements and their errors  
- Particles and radiation  
- Waves  
- Mechanics and energy  
- Electricity

**Year two:**
- Further mechanics and thermal physics  
- Fields  
- Nuclear physics

**Plus one option from the following:**
- Astrophysics  
- Medical physics  
- Engineering physics  
- Turning points in physics  
- Electronics

**How will my work be assessed?**
- Three written examinations  
- Assessment of practical skills

**Entry requirements:**
- Maths at grade 6/B or above  
- English language at grade 4/C or above  
- Physics or double award science at grade 6/B or above  
- Two additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

**What can I do after this?**
Study a broad range of science and engineering degrees including physics, astrophysics, medical physics, electrical or mechanical engineering. Physics is also valued in medicine and dentistry degrees.

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**PSYCHOLOGY A-LEVEL**

**AQA**

**How long:** Two years  
**Where:** Southend  
**Code:** 25015

**What’s covered?**

**Year one:**
- Cognitive, developmental, social and biological psychology  
- Individual differences  
- Research methods

**Year two:**
- Biological rhythms and sleep  
- Aggression  
- Eating behaviour  
- Gender and intelligence  
- You will develop knowledge and understanding of one disorder such as schizophrenia or depression  
- Learn about one contemporary application of psychology such as anomalous psychology or addiction

**How will my work be assessed?**
- 100% exam based

**Entry requirements:**
- Maths or science at grade 6/B or above  
- English language at grade 6/B or above  
- Three additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

**What can I do after this?**
- Higher education at university or college, including our BSc (Hons) Psychology and Sociology at South Essex College University Centre  
- Seek employment in a public services profession
SOCIOLOGY A-LEVEL

How long: Two years
Where: Southend
Code: 25015

What’s covered?

Year one:
► Culture and identity, families and households, wealth, poverty and welfare
► Education with research methods, health with research methods

Year two:
► Beliefs in society, global development, mass media, power and politics
► Crime and deviance with theory and methods, stratification and differentiation with theory and methods

How will my work be assessed?
► 100% exam based

Entry requirements:
► English language at grade 6/B or above
► Maths at grade 4/C or above
► Three additional GCSEs at grade 4/C or above

What can I do after this?
With appropriate results you may progress to higher education to study subjects such as sociology, social policy and criminology. Alternatively you may enter a diverse range of employment, from social research, through civil service work, to teaching and police work.
At South Essex College we offer a range of apprenticeships

An apprenticeship will provide you with the skills and knowledge required to progress in a chosen career pathway whilst gaining valuable on the job experience that employers look for when recruiting new staff.

Research shows that over the course of your career you could earn on average £100,000 more than those who do not choose an apprenticeship route.

Apprenticeships are nationally-recognised pathways that can lead to a number of different employment routes. Many apprenticeships now have direct routes into higher education programmes (degrees), that enable you to gain a degree without any of the student debt you might have via a more traditional path at university.

An apprenticeship programme will consist of a number of elements. In order to achieve the programme fully and receive your apprenticeship certificate, you will need to successfully complete ALL elements of the programme.

Depending on the apprenticeship you are undertaking, you will either complete an apprenticeship ‘Standard’ or ‘Framework’.

Standards

► Apprenticeship Standards have been developed as part of the government’s recent apprenticeship reforms and have been designed by employer groups known as ‘Trailblazers’

► The main difference between the Framework and the Standards, is the introduction of the End Point Assessment (EPA). The EPA will require you to complete a number of pre-set activities, which enable you to demonstrate that you have acquired the skills, knowledge and behaviours set out in the standards

Skills

► These are the practical competencies that you will need to be able to demonstrate

Knowledge

► These are the theoretical elements that you will need to learn and understand

Behaviours

► These are the attributes that professionals and employers in the specific occupation would need to demonstrate

► EPA (End Point Assessment)

► All apprentices must undertake an independent End-point Assessment at the end of the on-programme phase of training

► End-point Assessments are graded and an apprenticeship certificate is only awarded after the assessment is successfully completed

For more information on apprenticeships visit www.southessex.ac.uk/apprenticeships
Our Campuses

1. The Forum
Southend-on-Sea
An ultra-modern library and learning zone, The Forum is located opposite our Southend Campus. The Forum houses a huge range of books and resources as well as over 100 new computers and wifi access for your laptop and mobile devices.

2. Stephenson Road
Southend-on-Sea
Our newest facility located off Progress Road will provide you with everything you need for your education and training in motor mechanics, engineering and the construction trades. The site features cutting-edge facilities and workshops.

5. Thurrock Campus
There are specialist workshop and studio spaces linked to courses for construction, engineering, media and creative arts, in addition to facilities for logistics, childcare, health & social care and IT courses.

6. Southend Campus
Located next to Southend Central station, our campus offers A-level courses and an impressive range of vocational subjects in realistic work environments using cutting-edge technology.

For more information visit www.southessex.ac.uk
3. THE BACKSTAGE CENTRE
PURFLEET
Designed by experts in the theatre, music and live events industry, the Backstage Centre offers a bespoke environment that allows full-scale venue-style training opportunities.

4. BASILDON CAMPUS
LuckyN Lane
One of our Engineering and Construction sites – offering engineering, construction, building services and transport courses. Combining cutting-edge technology, high-end facilities and top teaching staff.

7. CANVEY SKILLS CENTRE
Backling onto rolling hills and in view of Hadleigh Castle, the Canvey Island Campus provides specialist Construction courses based at a high-spec campus.

8. BASILDON CAMPUS
(TOWN CENTRE)
This modern site courses such as games design, digital animation and TV production.
Our cross-college safeguarding team are very approachable and their expertise are highly valued. Members of the safeguarding team maintain very good contacts with partners such as local police, local authority social services and youth offending teams, mental health practitioners and a good range of specialist agencies. These contacts ensure that swift referrals to appropriate agencies takes place when circumstances demand.

We welcome students who have a disability and/or learning difficulty. We appreciate and value the contribution that individuals with learning difficulties and/or disabilities bring to the College.

The College is committed to making students with additional support needs feel valued, respected and supported. We aim to create an inclusive environment where all students are treated on the basis of their merits, ability and potential.

If you have a special educational needs or disability and want to discuss this, we have a team at each of our main campuses where you can speak to staff to discuss your needs.

Email: additionallearningsupport@southessex.ac.uk
TUITION FEES

Tuition fees cover the cost of tuition and examinations. You do not have to pay tuition fees if you are aged between 16 and 18 and have been living in the UK or an EU country for three years prior to starting your studies.

If you have not been living in the UK or an EU country for three years prior to starting your studies, don’t worry, you may still be able to study for free or at a reduced cost. Please refer to our website for up-to-date details.

FURTHER FUNDING ASSISTANCE

Discretionary funds are available to assist students with an identified financial need. These funds can be used to assist with travel costs as well as essential learning resources.

16-19 BURSARY FUND

If you are aged between 16 and 18 as of 31 August 2019 and your family is on a low income you may be eligible to receive a discretionary award towards the additional costs associated with your course. In some circumstances you may also be awarded a fixed amount to help support you during your studies.

Bursary application forms are available on our website or you can contact the funding team on the email below.

Email: Funding@southessex.ac.uk

CARE TO LEARN

If you are a parent aged under 20, you may be eligible to apply for childcare and travel support. To receive more information or to apply please call.

Tel: 0800 121 8989

TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

If South Essex College is the nearest provider of your chosen course and if you live more than three miles from the College campus, your local authority can advise whether you are eligible for help with travel.
A SAFE PLACE TO BE

Your safety is very important to us so we take many measures to ensure that everyone feels safe and supported in college.

SAFEGUARDING

Our Safeguarding & Pastoral Team can offer help and advice with issues at home, funding concerns, living arrangements or if you are looking to have counselling for your general wellbeing. The team’s aim is to remove any barriers that the you might be facing so you can succeed with your studies. You can be referred by a member of staff or approach the team independently if you think you need support.

They are available to anyone who is a student with South Essex College, no matter what course you are on or what age you are. The team will help you whether you are a further or higher education student.

THE TEAM CAN HELP WITH ISSUES SUCH AS:

► Feeling safe at college
► Safety at home
► Help with bullying issues
► Support for friends/classmates
► Counselling
► Support if you live on your own
► Homelessness
► Support for young carers
► Help if you are in social care
► Youth offenders
► Substance misuse

LOCATION

The Safeguarding and Pastoral Team are located at:

Southend – Ground floor in reception area
Thurrock – First floor by the LRC
Basildon (Luckyn Lane) – First floor staff office
Stephenson Road – Main reception area
Canvey Island – Main reception area

CONTACT US

You can visit them at each campus, call them on 0345 5212345, email them at safeguarding@southessex.ac.uk or get in touch via Moodle.

COLLEGE GUARDIANS

College guardians are present at every main campus. They are the first point of contact to Safeguard everyone on site. They are there to protect, support, listen to and engage with our students.

WHAT DOES A GUARDIAN DO?

► Ensure only permitted persons are on site by checking the wearing of lanyards
► Act as a frontline contact for safeguarding issues – they will then pass any concerns onto the relevant people
► Provide support to students, listen and give advice where appropriate
► Challenge bad behaviour
► Carry out stop & search procedures if necessary

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AT SOUTH ESSEX COLLEGE YOU WILL FIND THE FREEDOM TO BE YOURSELF

Our college community is committed to ensuring that your experience is free from discrimination, bullying, harassment or victimisation and is an environment where you will be treated with respect and dignity.

We celebrate everyone, irrespective of their race, colour, disability, age, religion, belief, gender or sexual orientation.

Ours is a culture of equality and diversity. Equality means that everyone will get a fair chance and diversity means that your differences will be respected and embraced. It is important to us that there is equal access to opportunities to enable you to fully participate in the learning process and enrichment activities.

You will study in a vibrant, inclusive environment where everyone's contribution and individuality is valued.

Finally, we believe that cultural diversity brings real benefits for everyone, as well as opportunities to learn from one another, share ideas, improve lives and develop rewarding careers.

Here at the college we want you to be yourself and shine.
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OPEN EVENTS

SOUTHEND CAMPUS 5pm - 8pm
Luker Road, Southend-On-Sea SS1 1ND
Wednesday 9 Oct 2019
Thursday 14 Nov 2019
Tuesday 17 Mar 2020

BASILDON CAMPUS 5pm - 8pm
(Engineering, Construction, Building Services & Transport Courses)
Luckyn Lane, Basildon, SS14 3AY
Tuesday 22 Oct 2019
Wednesday 11 Mar 2020

CANVEY ISLAND CAMPUS 10am-1pm
(Hair, Beauty and Construction Courses)
Meppel Avenue, Canvey Island, SS8 9RZ
Saturday 16 Nov 2019
Saturday 29 Feb 2020

THURROCK CAMPUS 5pm - 8pm
High Street, Grays, Essex, RM17 6TF
Thursday 17 Oct 2019
Wednesday 15 Jan 2020
Tuesday 12 May 2020

STEPHENSON ROAD 5pm - 8pm
(Motor Vehicle, Engineering and Construction Courses)
No.28 & No.30 Stephenson Road (Off Progress Road)
Southend-On-Sea, SS9 5LY
Wednesday 20 Nov 2019
Tuesday 4 Feb 2020

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www.southessex.ac.uk/oe

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