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*Labour market data sourced from LMI for all, Annual Survey of Hours and Earnings (ASHE), Office for National Statistics (ONS).

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WELCOME TO SOUTH ESSEX COLLEGES GROUP

At South Essex Colleges Group we can help guide you to independence and adulthood in a secure, supportive and relaxed environment.

By choosing to study at this vibrant, modern college you will receive a high quality education and an excellent student experience.

Our courses are designed to give you the knowledge and skills you will need to progress to your chosen career or pursue higher education.

We hope that you enjoy discovering more about the South Essex Colleges Group, and that your time with us provides you with the foundation for a bright future.

Denise Brown
Group Chief Executive

WHY CHOOSE US?



Ofsted Good Rating: SECG was graded as 'Good' by Ofsted in October 2024, highlighting a positive learning environment and strong contribution to meeting skills needs.



High Achievement Rates: In 2023/24, SECG achieved an overall success rate of 89.1%, up by 6.2% from the previous year. 43 programmes achieved a 100% success rate in 2023/24, compared to just 15 in the previous year.



Big Opportunities with a Local College Feel: We offer a wide variety of courses across different levels, including Further Education (FE), Higher Education (HE), Adult Learning, and Apprenticeships. Students will experience the best of both worlds with the extensive resources and opportunities of the wider college group, combined with a personalised, community-focused approach at Southend City College, Basildon College, and Thurrock College.



Impressive Qualification Numbers: In 2023/24, students at SECG achieved a total of 16,121 qualifications, transforming their lives through learning.



A safe environment to learn: Our strong safeguarding and wellbeing practices provide a positive environment for learners to flourish: 95% of students reported feeling safe at college, reflecting robust safeguarding measures.



Award-Winning Careers Programme: SECG's careers programme achieved 100% in six of the eight Gatsby benchmarks and engaged with 3,213 unique learners, an 11% increase from the previous year.



Industry Partnerships: SECG has strong industry partnerships across various sectors, providing real-world learning environments and aligning with skills gaps.



State-of-the-Art Facilities: Campuses are equipped with modern facilities and cutting-edge technology, including industry-standard workshops, laboratories, creative studios, and digital suites.



Experienced and Supportive Staff: SECG's dedicated team of lecturers and support staff are experts in their fields, providing personalised support and guidance throughout students' educational journeys.

EXCITING DEVELOPMENTS:

We are relaunching the National College of Creative Industries (NCCI) as a specialist further education provider. Focused on creative arts, backstage production, and technical theatre, the NCCI will offer hands-on, industry-led training through strong partnerships with creative sector employers.



OUR COLLEGES



Via public transport:



25 mins (approx.)



Thurrock Campus
High Street - Grays



Basildon Campus
Basildon Town Centre
Luckyn Lane
Stephenson Rd



35 mins (approx.)



50 mins (approx.)



Southend Campus
Luker Road
Queens Road Gym

DISCOVER BASILDON COLLEGE



**COLLEGE PRINCIPAL:
JOHN NEWTON**

Basildon College is made up of three sites at key locations in Essex. Each site has a clear roadmap for progression for all courses to enable students to progress to higher education or their career of choice.

All courses are supported by industry and stakeholders, paying particular attention to local needs. Each campus has its own unique identity and is a centre for excellence in its own right targeting the following areas:

LUCKYN LANE CAMPUS SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING, CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING SERVICES:

Delivering a varied array of courses within the Engineering and Building Services (Plumbing and Electrical). The campus offers IoT and T Level courses along with apprenticeships and adult courses.

LOCATION:

Luckyn Lane Basildon, SS14 3AX

TRAVEL:

Basildon Train Station is a 30 minute walk away. A bus stop is located five minutes walk from the campus with the following buses stopping there: 300 and 10.

BASILDON TOWN CENTRE (BTC) CENTRE FOR DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES:

The focus of the provision at BTC is creative media and business which encompasses E-Sports, Networking, Cyber Security, Games Design and IT and is linked with industry leaders such as Microsoft, Amazon and Vista. The campus also offers courses such as Adult English and maths, IT, SEND and ESOL provisions at all ages.

LOCATION:

Basildon Town Centre, SS14 1GP. If you are using a Sat Nav, please use postcode SS14 1DF

TRAVEL:

Walking distance from Basildon train and bus stations.

STEPHENSON ROAD SCHOOL OF CONSTRUCTION, BUILDING SERVICES & AUTOMOTIVE:

This campus is the lead for the Construction trades across South Essex Colleges Group. Construction courses cover Multi Skills, Carpentry and Joinery and Bricklaying. The campus also offers Automotive Engineering, with dedicated workshops and classrooms that meet industry standards. The campus also runs the IoT programmes and T Level programmes.

LOCATION:

No. 28 & No. 30 Stephenson Road (off Progress Road), SS9 5LY

TRAVEL:

The transport links are excellent with a comprehensive bus network nearby and parking spaces available on campus.



DISCOVER

SOUTHEND CITY COLLEGE

Southend City College offers a fantastic range of facilities and learning spaces that allow students to study in industry-standard surroundings.

These include Catering, Art & Design, Hair & Beauty, Sports, Science, Health and Early Years Education, all offering state-of-the-art facilities. We also offer Hairdressing and Beauty treatments at discount prices for members of the public which enable our students to experience a real-life salon environment.

The college also delivers Higher Education courses. We provide a clear roadmap for progression with a broad range of courses in all sectors, which are exciting, well-resourced and challenging so that students can progress across a range of qualifications linked directly to industry and higher education and strongly fit with the local need. Courses are supported by industry and stakeholders throughout the various provisions to ensure the opportunities to progress within college and beyond are available.



COLLEGE PRINCIPAL:
NICKI KELLY

LUKER ROAD:

Located next to Southend Central station, our Southend Campus offers an impressive range of subjects. The courses are set in realistic work environments using cutting-edge technology.

LOCATION:

Luker Road, Southend-on-Sea, SS1 1ND

TRAVEL:

The transport links are excellent with a comprehensive bus network and two major London-bound train lines (including nine rail stations in the borough) both within walking distance.

QUEENS ROAD GYM:

The new gym boasts industry-standard equipment providing our students with the opportunity to experience what it's like to work and perform in a specialist gym environment. Students will also have the opportunity to use a variety of other specialist rooms including a sports treatment room, studio suite, consultation room and sport testing room. First aid, shower and changing facilities are also available for student use.

PERFORMING ARTS CENTRE:

At Southend City College our state-of-the-art Performing Arts Centre allows students to work in industry-standard rehearsal studios. Acting, dance and musical theatre are all catered for with amazing spaces and top-of-the range equipment.



DISCOVER

THURROCK

COLLEGE



COLLEGE PRINCIPAL:
BRAD BROOKS

Thurrock College is based right next door to Grays train station in Essex and comprises of two campus buildings - East & West. The college has a clear roadmap for progression for all courses to enable students to progress to higher education or their career of choice.

All courses are supported by industry and stakeholders, paying particular attention to the local needs of our residents.



LOCATION:

High Street, Grays, Essex, RM17 6TF

TRAVEL:

Thurrock has excellent transport links with trains and buses going to London and all over Essex frequently. Located only a two-minute walk from the train station.

Thurrock College has its own, unique identity and is a centre for excellence in its own right, a wonderful college to attend which is rich in resources and offers courses in the following areas:

Business & Logistics

Construction & Engineering

Multi-Skills & Plumbing

The campus offers **IoT** and **T Level** courses along with **apprenticeships** and adult courses.

Early Years

Health & Social Care

Beauty Therapy

Hairdressing

Theatrical Media Hair & Make Up

Professional Cooking / Catering & Hospitality

Travel & Tourism

Music

Performing & Production Arts

Thurrock College also offers courses such as Adult English and maths, SEND, EHE and ESOL provisions at all ages.



STUDENT SUPPORT

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 2026 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.

CARE TO LEARN

If you are a parent aged under 20, you may be eligible to apply for childcare and travel support.

TRAVEL ASSISTANCE

If South Essex Colleges Group 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.

Visit our website for more information about student support: www.southessex.ac.uk/services-and-support

SAFEGUARDING

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

SAFEGUARDING

The Safeguarding Team can offer help, information, advice and guidance with issues at home, relationship advice/concerns, living arrangements or if you are looking to have support or counselling for your general wellbeing. The team's aim is to work with you to remove any barriers that 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 at South Essex Colleges Group, 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 also offer bespoke support to Care Experienced young people throughout their studies at the college. Our Advisers will work with you, your carers and social worker to ensure you can access your education and are successful in your studies. They will also support you to apply for the Vulnerable Bursary which can support travel and educational equipment.

Visit our website for more information on the college Safeguarding Service:

www.southessex.ac.uk/services-and-support/safeguarding

LOCATION

The Safeguarding Team are located at:
Southend City College
Wellbeing centre, first floor, next to the lifts.

CONTACT US

You can visit the team at each campus, call them on **0345 521 2345**, 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.

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 negative behaviour
- ✓ Carry out stop & search procedures if necessary





ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT



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. We are experienced in supporting learners with a wide range of needs. If you have a disability or learning difficulty our team are here to help you find the appropriate support at college.

We want you to feel safe and supported at college and enjoy being included in every aspect of student life with us. If you have a special educational need or disability and want to discuss this, we have staff based at each of our main campuses who you can speak to regarding your needs.



WHERE TO FIND THE ALS TEAM

Southend: ALS team room, 2nd floor in room 2E.40

Contact us by email:
additionallearningsupport@southessex.ac.uk



APPLICATION & ENROLMENT



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**

Once you have found a course you wish to apply for you can:

Apply online via our website.

Visit **www.southessex.ac.uk/apply**

Visit the admissions team during one of our open events. For information on the next event please visit our website:

www.southessex.ac.uk/events

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: **admissions@southessex.ac.uk**

If you would like advice about how to make an application, or what happens next, please contact our applicant advisers via **admissions@southessex.ac.uk**. After you have applied, you can check the status of your application online.

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.

ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

If you need additional support, please contact either our safeguarding or additional learning support team. For more info on safeguarding see [page 17](#). For more info on additional learning support see [page 18](#).

APPRENTICESHIPS

For all information regarding Apprenticeships see [page 26](#) or visit our website **www.southessex.ac.uk/workforce/apprenticeships**



CAREER

FOCUSED COURSES

At SECG we understand that studying is a stepping stone to preparing you for a successful and fulfilling career in the real world. Our carefully designed careers-focused courses are tailored to provide you with the skills, experience, and expertise necessary to thrive in today's dynamic job market.



WHY CHOOSE CAREERS-FOCUSED COURSES AT SOUTH ESSEX COLLEGES GROUP?

- 1. Relevance to Industry Trends:** Our courses are tailor-made with the latest industry trends and demands in mind. We have close links with local and national companies and strive to ensure that the skills you gain are current and directly applicable to your chosen career.
- 2. Hands-on Approach:** We believe in learning by practice. Our careers-focused courses emphasise the practical experience allowing you to apply theory to workplace scenarios. Studying with us means that you will gain invaluable practical skills that employers seek.
- 3. Industry Connections:** At SECG we work closely with employers who actively engage with our students. Through guest lectures, workshops, networking events, and mentorship programs, you'll have the opportunity to connect with professionals who can offer insights and advice on your chosen career path.
- 4. Career Guidance:** Navigating the complexities of today's job market can be daunting. Our dedicated careers team is here to provide personalised guidance, helping you craft a compelling CV, prepare for interviews, and explore various career options. We are committed to your success beyond graduation.

WHERE CAN CAREERS-FOCUSED COURSES TAKE YOU?

The possibilities are endless. Use your studies to progress to higher education, an apprenticeship or secure your dream career. From entry-level roles to leadership positions your journey to fulfilling employment starts at SECG.

COURSE TYPES

A LEVELS (AVAILABLE AT THURROCK CAMPUS)

Delivered in partnership with the South East Institute of Technology and working closely with key local employers, students will have access to work placements, apprenticeships and exclusive interviews for degree apprenticeships.

We are committed to providing a pathway for learners from widening participation communities to access advanced level studies and ultimately, access to high level careers in technical fields. The Academy of Advanced Technology is offering advanced level qualifications in a diverse and dynamic environment that will propel our young people into technical careers equipped with maturity and academic excellence. For more info see [page 24](#).

FOUNDATION AND SUPPORTED LEARNING

We offer a range of courses including an independent living programme for students who have SEND and/or an Educational and Health Care Plan to develop the skills required to get through life successfully. We also support young people who found that school was not for them and need a new experience at college in order to develop a trade and gain those vital entry level qualifications into work or further education. For more info see [page 62](#).

T LEVELS

These qualifications are designed to develop skilled workers for sectors of the UK economy. Alongside technical skills, learners achieving a T level will possess the literacy, numeracy and digital skills, wider transferable skills and attitudes required to be successful in specific careers. For more info see [page 25](#).

APPRENTICESHIPS

An apprenticeship is a job with training. Through an apprenticeship, an apprentice will gain the technical knowledge, practical experience and wider skills and behaviours that they need for their immediate job and future career. For more info see [page 26](#).

FOUNDATION T LEVEL

The T Level Foundation programme is a 1-year post-GCSE study programme designed to support progression to, and success on, a T Level. It's aimed at students who would like to do a T Level but would benefit from additional preparation and support before starting one. The programme gives students the opportunity to study technical content aligned to T Levels and develop their English, maths and digital skills, alongside work experience and personal development.

VOCATIONAL/STUDY PROGRAMMES

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 traditionally lean more towards academic learning. The courses are designed so that you learn in a practical way about your chosen job sector.

WHAT IS AN... A LEVEL



We are pleased to offer this Sixth Form provision as part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring that learners are able to access advance level studies and ultimately, access high level careers in the most burgeoning industries.

The Academy of Advanced Technology will offer A Level qualifications in a diverse and dynamic environment that will propel young people into technical careers equipped with maturity and academic excellence.

ADVANCED LEVEL QUALIFICATIONS

The Academy of Advanced Technology is offering advanced level qualifications in a diverse and dynamic environment that will propel our young people into technical careers equipped with maturity and academic excellence.

STRONG PARTNERSHIPS

Delivered in partnership with the South East Institute of Technology (SEIoT) and working closely with key local employers, students will have access to work placements, apprenticeships and exclusive interviews for degree apprenticeships.

SUPPORT AND GUIDANCE

Our teachers hold drop-in sessions for each department to offer extra help or support to any who need it. Each course also has regular assessments to ensure that all our students have a good sense of their strengths and areas of development.

More information: www.southessex.ac.uk/alevels



PATHWAYS:

A Level Medical Pathway

- Includes: Chemistry, Biology and Maths

A Level Engineering Pathway

- Includes: Chemistry, Physics and Maths

Available at:

Thurrock College

WHAT IS A... T LEVEL



T LEVELS:

- Lasts for two years and are studied five days per week (80% classroom and 20% work placement)
- Are equivalent to three A Levels, carrying the equivalent UCAS points
- Prepare learners for a skilled career by providing practical skills and knowledge
- Include an extended industry placement of at least 315 hours (with the exception of Early Years where this is 375)
- Are assessed through a combination of exams, course work, workplace reviews, an employer project and an end point assessment. To pass the qualification learners must have fully completed the extended placement and gain the necessary level of work experience (validated by the employer)



T levels involve more classroom study than apprenticeships, which means you can experience an industry while you continue your studies.

The qualifications are designed to develop skilled workers for sectors of the UK economy. Alongside technical skills, learners achieving a T Level will possess the literacy, numeracy and digital skills, wider transferable skills and attitudes required to be successful in specific careers.

As part of your course you will be working with an employer partner within your relevant sector/course specialism in an industry placement which will last for at least 45 days (315 Hours).

Like A Levels, there are no tuition fees to study a T Level if you start before you are 19 and the college pays for any DBS checks that are required.

More information: www.southessex.ac.uk/tlevels

T-LEVELS
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

WHAT IS AN... APPRENTICESHIP



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.

Apprenticeships are nationally-recognised pathways that can lead to a number of different employment routes. Some higher apprenticeships have integrated 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.

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

END POINT ASSESSMENTS

- All Apprenticeships require the apprentice to complete an End Point Assessment (EPA) at the end of their learning. The requirement of the EPA is set by the employer group or 'trailblazers' that set the standard and can be found in the assessment plan. The EPA is carried out by an independent organisation that is chosen by the employer and the outcome determines if you the apprentice has passed the Apprenticeship
- 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



WHAT IS A... VOCATIONAL STUDY PROGRAMME

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
- Students who do not achieve a grade 4 or above in English and/or maths will be required to complete an English and/or maths qualification via the Century platform. Students will engage with at least three hours a week study via the online platform. The Century platform is an online software system that uses artificial intelligence to create a personalised, adaptive and differentiated set of learning. Students will work on a set of skills that are unique to them, the system will produce results and feedback tailored to meet individual

learning needs alongside tasks that are mapped against the GCSE curriculum and encourage stronger learning outcomes.

INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS

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

This opportunity allows you to apply what you have learnt in the classroom to real world professional situations.

WHAT IS AN INDUSTRY PLACEMENT?

Industry Placements are a very brief, experienced based learning opportunity that could range from a day to a couple of weeks. It can take numerous forms, here are a few types of the industry placements that we offer:

- **Physical placement** – this is the most common and popular placement as you have the opportunity to fully immerse yourself in the world of work with hands on support
- **Virtual work experience** – this is hugely beneficial in supporting students to engage with employers through digital platforms while gaining meaningful job interactions



- **Work related activities (also known as Projects)** – this is where an employer will set a series of tasks to complete relating to their industry
- **Industry placements** – this is an extended physical placement and equates to 56 days over an entire academic year, you will gain an additional certificate for this to add to your CV

HOW DOES WORK EXPERIENCE BENEFIT YOU?

Work experience supports you to make career decisions, develop employability skills and make a successful transition into further study or the workplace.

- ✓ You will develop transferable skills such as team working, communication and timekeeping skills
- ✓ You can try the job role and the company to check it's the right industry for you
- ✓ Having work experience listed on your CV instantly draws the employers' attention towards the initiative taken by students to enhance their knowledge and skills in their chosen career path
- ✓ You will have an introduction to workplace recruitment practices
- ✓ You will increase your independence, maturity and self-confidence



OUR COURSES & CAREERS



We offer an extensive range of courses to start you on your path to your chosen career or higher education. For a full list of all courses available at all our colleges visit:

www.southessex.ac.uk

KEY:

BASILDON COLLEGE: (see page 10)

BTC	Basildon Town Centre – Centre for Digital Technologies
LL	Luckyn Lane – School of Engineering, Construction and Building Services
SR	Stephenson Road - School of Construction, Building Services and Automotive

SOUTHEND CITY COLLEGE: (see page 12)

SC	Southend City College
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THURROCK COLLEGE: (see page 14)

TC	Thurrock College
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OTHER:

HH	High House Production Park
WB	Work Based





ANIMATION & GAMES DESIGN



Studying Animation and Games Design offers a practical, hands-on approach to developing creative and technical skills through real-world projects. You'll work with industry-standard tools and techniques in 2D and 3D animation, game development, and interactive storytelling, building a strong and varied portfolio.

Courses also develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork - key skills for the creative industries. You'll gain experience in areas such as concept art, animation, level design, and game mechanics, preparing you for careers in animation and gaming.

ANIMATION & GAMES DESIGN

LEVEL 1

Animation, Games, and Esports
Level 1 Diploma (BTC) 1 year

LEVEL 2

Computer Game Design & Animation
Level 2 Diploma (BTC) 1 year

LEVEL 3

Creative Media Production (Animation & Concept Art)
Level 3 Extended Diploma (BTC) 2 years

Creative Media Production (Games Design)
Level 3 Diploma (BTC) 2 years

Ignite: Creative Projects in Esports, Animation and Games
Level 3 Diploma (BTC) 1 year

UCSE

Progress on to a range of Media based courses at our University Centre South Essex such as Animation BA (Hons) & Games Design BSc (Hons)

For more info on UCSE see page: 110



Computer Games Tester
Salary Range: £24,000 - £36,000

Animator
Salary Range: Variable

Computer Games Developer
Salary Range: £27,000 - £71,000

Product Designer
Salary Range: £22,000 - £45,000

Level 1

Animation, Games, and Esports Level 1 Diploma (BTC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Two GCSEs at grade 2 including maths or English, or an Entry 3 qualification, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview
- Successful attendance at transition event
- You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio

Level 2

Computer Game Design & Animation Level 2 Diploma (BTC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at interview event
- You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio

Level 3

Creative Media Production (Animation) Level 3 Extended Diploma (BTC) 2 years

Creative Media Production (Games Development) Level 3 Diploma (BTC) 2 years

Ignite: Creative Projects in Esports, Animation and Games Level 3 Diploma (BTC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 4 including English and maths
- Or
- Level 2 qualification at a Merit, preferably UAL Level 2 in Creative Media Production & Technology, and evidence of engaging with making progress from grade 3 to grade 4 in English and maths
 - All applicants will need to attend an interview with the course team to review a portfolio of work and establish suitability for the study programme

UCSE

Animation BA (Hons) (BTC) 3 years

Games Design BSc (Hons) (BTC) 3 years

Entry Requirements:

You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:

- A Levels
- T Levels
- Extended Diploma
- Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (Level 3 or 4)
- Or equivalent EU/International qualifications, such as International Baccalaureate Diploma
- And English GCSE passes at grade 4 or above

This list is not exhaustive, other qualifications may be considered. Entry to this course will also be determined by the quality of your application, looking primarily at your portfolio/showreel of work, personal statement and reference.





ART & DESIGN



Studying an art-related subject offers a practical, hands-on approach to developing creative skills through projects and real-world applications. You'll explore different mediums and techniques, building a varied portfolio that highlights your talent and versatility. These courses also develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and innovation, laying a strong foundation for further study or creative careers.

Many programmes include live briefs and collaborations with industry professionals, providing insight into the creative sector. You'll gain experience in areas such as graphic design, fine art, photography, and multimedia, boosting employability and preparing you for industry demands.

ART & DESIGN

LEVEL 1

Art and Design
Level 1 Diploma **(SC)**
1 year

LEVEL 2

Art and Design
Level 2 Extended
Certificate **(SC)** 1
year

LEVEL 3

3D Design
Level 3 Extended
Diploma **(SC)** 2
years

Fashion

Level 3 Diploma
(SC) 2 years

Fashion Business and Retail

Level 3 Diploma
(SC) 2 Years

Fine Art

Level 3 Extended
Diploma **(SC)** 2
years

Graphic Design

Level 3 Extended
Diploma **(SC)** 2
years

Illustration

Level 3 National
Diploma **(SC)** 2
years

Photography

Level 3 Extended
Diploma **(SC)** 2
years

LEVEL 4

Art and Design
Level 4 Foundation
Diploma **(SC)** 1 year

UCSE

Progress on to a range of creative offerings at our University Centre South Essex with BA (Hons) available in: Fine Art, Graphic Design and Illustration, Photography and more...

For more info on UCSE see page: 110

Graphic and Multimedia Designers

Salary Range: £18,920 - £40,750

Art Officers, Producers & Directors

Salary Range: £24,370 - £52,480

Artists

Salary Range: £23,190 - £49,940

Web Designers

Salary Range: £26,840 - £57,800

Level 1

Art and Design Level 1 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Two GCSEs at grade 2 including maths or English, or an Entry 3 qualification, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview
- Successful attendance at transition event
- You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio

Level 2

Art and Design Level 2 Extended Certificate (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at interview event
- You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio

Level 3

3D Design Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Fine Art Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Graphic Design Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Illustration Level 3 National Diploma (SC) 2 years

Photography Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths dependent on vocational subject to be studied
- 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

Fashion Level 3 Diploma (SC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 4 including maths, English and an art-related subject, or
- Art and Design Level 2 Extended Certificate plus maths and English at grade 4, 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

Fashion Business and Retail Level 3 Diploma (SC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 4 including maths, English and an art or business-related subject, or
- Business or Art and Design Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4, 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

Level 4

Art and Design Level 4 Foundation Diploma (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- One A Level or Art and Design Level 3 Extended Diploma plus three GCSEs at grade 4 including maths and English and an art-related subject, 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

UCSE

Fine Art BA (Hons) (SC) 3 years

Interior & Spatial Design (SC) 3 years

Graphic Design & Illustration BA (Hons) (SC) 3 years

Photography BA (Hons) (SC) 3 years

Entry Requirements:

You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:

- A Levels
- T Levels
- Extended Diploma
- Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (Level 3 or 4)
- Or equivalent EU/International qualifications, such as International Baccalaureate Diploma
- And English GCSE passes at grade 4 or above

This list is not exhaustive, other qualifications may be considered. Entry to this course will also be determined by the quality of your application, looking primarily at your portfolio/showreel of work, personal statement and reference.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & ACCOUNTING



Studying business subjects offers a practical approach to understanding the fundamentals of the business world. These courses combine theoretical knowledge with real-world applications, including case studies, and projects, which equip students with the skills needed for a successful career in business. Recognised by employers and higher education institutions, these qualifications provide a strong foundation for further education and various career opportunities in the business sector. Additionally, you will develop critical thinking, problem-solving and leadership skills that are essential in any professional setting.

BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

LEVEL 1

Business and Retail (Business and Administration Pathway)
Level 1 Diploma **(SC)**
(TC) 1 year

LEVEL 2

Business Foundation
T Level **(SC)** **(TC)**
1 year

Customer Service Practitioner
Apprenticeship
Level 2 **(WB)**
13 months

LEVEL 3

Business
Level 3 Extended Diploma **(TC)** 2 years

Business Administrator Apprenticeship
Level 3 **(WB)** 18 months

Team Leader/Supervisor
Apprenticeship CMI Level 3 **(WB)** 18 months

HTQ

Leadership and Management for England
Level 5 HTQ **(TC)**
2 years

Business Sales Executives
Salary Range: £22,440 - £48,340

Business and Financial Project Management Professionals
Salary Range: £34,380 - £74,050

Business Associate Professionals
Salary Range: £18,430 - £39,690



ACCOUNTING

LEVEL 2

Accounting Foundation
T Level AAT
Bookkeeping Certificate **(SC)**
1 year

Accounts Finance Assistant
Apprenticeship AAT
Level 2 **(WB)** 2 years

LEVEL 3

Assistant Accountant
Apprenticeship AAT Level 3 **(WB)** 2 years

T LEVEL

Accounting
T Level **(SC)** 2 years



Level 1

Business and Retail (Business and Administration Pathway) Level 1 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Grade 2 GCSE English and maths or equivalent

Level 2

Business Foundation T Level (SC) (TC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 1 qualification in business, GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English

Accounting Foundation T Level AAT Bookkeeping Certificate (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Grade 3 in English and maths
 - Successful attendance at interview event
 - Successful attendance at transition event

Accounts Finance Assistant Apprenticeship AAT Level 2 (WB) 2 years

- There are no formal entry requirements for this apprenticeship
- Previous knowledge of accounting or a Level 1 Bookkeeping qualification would be advantageous but not essential
- Apprentices will need to be employed in a relevant finance, bookkeeping or accounting role

Customer Service Practitioner Apprenticeship Level 2 (WB) 13 months

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete

- Learners will be expected to achieve Entry Level 3 English and maths initial assessment

Level 3

Business Level 3 Extended Diploma (TC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Five GCSEs at grade 4 including maths and English, or
 - Skills for Business and Administration Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at level 1, or equivalent
 - Successful attendance at interview event

Business Administrator Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 18 months

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
 - Age restrictions: 16+
 - GCSE maths grade 4 or Functional Skill in maths Level 2
 - GCSE English Language grade 4 or Functional Skill in English Level 2
 - Working in a job role such as an Administration Officer, Administration Executive, Administration Team Leader, Office Supervisor, Personal Assistant or a Secretary for a minimum of 30 hours per week

Team Leader/Supervisor Apprenticeship CMI Level 3 (WB) 18 months

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete

- Individual employers will set the selection criteria for their apprentices though most will be expected to hold 5 GCSEs at grade 5 or higher
- Prior experience may also be considered
- Apprentices should also have achieved qualifications in English and mathematics at a minimum of level 2 or equivalent. Where this is not the case, apprentices must complete these by the end of the Apprenticeship

Assistant Accountant Apprenticeship AAT Level 3 (WB) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
 - 5 GCSEs with maths and English at grade 5 or Functional Skills Level 2 English and maths
 - Good keyboarding skills are essential as well as a good knowledge of Microsoft Office
 - Achievement of an AAT Level 2 Foundation Certificate in Accounting is advantageous but not essential

T Level (Level 3)

Management and Administration (Business Support) T Level (SC) 2 years

Management and Administration Team (Leadership and Management Pathway) (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Maths and English GCSE at grade 4 or above
 - A total of 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above
 - This course requires students to complete 315 hours of work placement in a role that will include some administration

- or management tasks. It will be at the discretion of the employer if the placement is paid or unpaid
- A keen interest in business

Accounting T Level (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- At least 5 Grade 4's at GCSE including English and maths
 - Successful interview

HTQ (Level 5)

Leadership and Management for England Level 5 HTQ (TC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- a Level 3 qualification in Business
 - a GCE Advanced Level profile that demonstrates strong performance in a relevant subject or adequate performance in more than one GCE subject. This profile is likely to be supported by GCSE grades at 9 to 4 (or equivalent) in subjects such as maths and English
 - other related Level 3 qualifications
 - an Access to Higher Education Diploma from an approved further education institution
 - relevant work experience, or
 - an international equivalent to the above qualifications



CATERING & HOSPITALITY

Studying catering and hospitality subjects will provide you with a comprehensive and practical education in the dynamic world of food service and hospitality management. These courses combine theoretical knowledge with hands-on experience in areas such as culinary arts, event planning, and hotel management, ensuring students are well-prepared for various roles in the industry.

Recognised by employers and higher education institutions, these qualifications enhance career prospects and provide a strong foundation for further education. Additionally, you will develop essential soft skills such as communication, teamwork and customer service, which are crucial for success in the hospitality sector.



CATERING & HOSPITALITY

LEVEL 1

Introduction to Professional Cookery
Level 1 Certificate
(SC) (TC) 1 year

LEVEL 2

Professional Cookery
Level 2 Diploma
(SC) (TC) 1 year

Professional Patisserie and Confectionery
Level 2 Diploma
(SC) 1 year

LEVEL 3

Chef De Partie
Apprenticeship
Level 3 (WB) 18 months

Professional Patisserie and Confectionery
Level 3 Diploma
(SC) 1 year

Advanced Professional Cookery (Kitchen and Larder)
Level 3 Diploma
(TC) 1 year



Baker

Salary Range: £16,380 - £28,390

Chef

Salary Range: £16,900 - £36,400

Restaurant Manager

Salary Range: £19,970 - £43,000

Catering Manager

Salary Range: £16,840 - £36,260



"This has been the best year of my life so far. Enrolling on this course is the best decision I've ever made. I would 100% recommend the Culinary Skills course to anyone who is interested and dedicated to working in the industry. You gain so many skills and receive great support."

Darcy Westell - Hospitality & Catering Student of the Year 2025

Level 1

Introduction to Professional Cookery Level 1 Certificate (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 including maths and English plus two other subjects
- Successful attendance at interview

Level 2

Professional Cookery Level 2 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
- Successful passing of skills test in the kitchen
- Successful attendance at interview event

Professional Patisserie and Confectionery Level 2 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or two GCSEs at grade 3 in maths and English
- Successful attendance at interview

Level 3

Chef De Partie Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 18 months

Entry Requirements:

- Must have a Level 2 Diploma in Cookery/Culinary skills
- On the job training (Work placement of fine dining standard of food required)
- Passed Maths and English GCSE. (Students at grade 3 for Maths and English will be considered under discussion if requiring only one of the GCSEs)

Professional Patisserie and Confectionery Level 3 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification in Patisserie or similar, plus GCSE grade 4 in English and maths
- Successful attendance at interview event

Advanced Professional Cookery (Kitchen and Larder) Level 3 Diploma (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 Cookery qualification, plus GCSE grade 4 in English and maths
- Successful attendance at interview event



CONSTRUCTION

Studying construction subjects offers a practical and in-depth understanding of the construction industry, combining theoretical knowledge with hands-on experience in areas like building techniques, project management, and health and safety. These courses prepare students for various roles within the sector, from site management to architectural design.

This practical approach ensures that you will gain essential skills and insights, making you highly employable and ready to meet industry demands. Additionally, the qualifications are recognised by employers and higher education institutions, providing a solid foundation for further education and career advancement in the construction field. You will develop critical thinking, problem-solving, and technical skills that are crucial for success in the industry.



CONSTRUCTION

ENTRY

Construction Pathway Entry
Level 3 (SR) 1 year



LEVEL 1

Bricklaying
Level 1 Diploma (SR) 1 year

Carpentry
Level 1 Diploma (TC) (SR) 1 year

Construction Skills (Multi Skills)
Level 1 Diploma (TC) (SR) 1 year

Electrical Installations
Level 1 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

Plumbing
Level 1 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

LEVEL 2

Bricklaying
Level 2 Diploma (SR) 1 year

Carpentry and Joinery (Site Joinery)
Level 2 Diploma (TC) (SR) 1 year

Electrical Installations
Level 2 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

Plumbing
Level 2 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

LEVEL 3

Electrical Installation (Day Release)
Apprenticeship
Level 3 (WB) (LL) 4 years

Plumbing & Domestic Heating Technician (Day Release)
Apprenticeship
Level 3 (WB) (LL) 4 years

HTQ

Construction Management for England
Level 4/5 HTQ (TC) 4 years

For more info on HTQs see page: 111



Electricians

Salary Range: £23,070 - £49,690

Bricklayers

Salary Range: £20,110 - £43,320

Construction and Building Trades

Salary Range: £18,840 - £40,580

Carpenters and Joiners

Salary Range: £19,330 - £41,630

"I've always liked being hands-on, and the course helped me figure out what I wanted to do. I'm going to progress on the carpentry course at the college, and even though it's a male-dominated field, they don't treat me any differently."

Brooke Reeves - Multi-Skills Student of the Year 2025

Entry Level

Construction Pathway Entry Level 3 (SR) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- Demonstrate the ability to work at Entry level 3 in maths or English or GCSE grade 1
 - Successful attendance at transition event

Level 1

Bricklaying Level 1 Diploma (SR) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- An Entry Level 3 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 2 in maths or English or Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills
 - Successful attendance at interview

Carpentry Level 1 Diploma (TC) (SR) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- An Entry 3 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 2 in maths or English
 - Successful attendance at interview
 - Successful attendance at transition event

Construction Skills (Multi Skills) Level 1 Diploma (TC) (SR) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- GCSEs at grade 3 in English and maths, or equivalent
 - An Entry 3 qualification, or equivalent
 - Successful attendance at interview
 - Successful attendance at transition event

Electrical Installations Level 1 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
 - Successful attendance at interview and transition event

Plumbing Level 1 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
 - Successful attendance at interview

Level 2

Bricklaying Level 2 Diploma (SR) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
 - Completion of Bricklaying Level 1 Diploma

Carpentry and Joinery (Site Joinery) Level 2 Diploma (TC) (SR) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- GCSEs x 2 at grade 4 in maths and English
 - Completion of the Carpentry Level 1 Diploma
 - Successful attendance at interview

Electrical Installations Level 2 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- GCSEs x 2 at grade 4 in maths and English
 - Successful attendance at interview
 - Electrical Installations Level 1 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 Year

Plumbing Level 2 Diploma (TC) (LL) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- Level 1 qualification in Plumbing, plus GCSE grade 4 in English and maths
 - Successful attendance at interview

Level 3

Electrical Installation Apprenticeship (Day Release) Level 3 (WB) 4 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship.
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
 - 9/4 grade GCSE or Level 2 functional skills in English and maths

Plumbing & Domestic Heating Technician (Day Release) Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) (LL) 4 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship.
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
 - 9/4 grade GCSE or Level 2 functional skills in English and maths

HTQ (Level 4/5)

Construction Management for England Level 4/5 HTQ (TC) 4 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Level 3 qualification in Construction
 - GCE Advanced Level profile that demonstrates strong performance in a relevant subject or adequate performance in more than one GCE subject. This profile is likely to be supported by GCSE grades at 9 to 4 (or equivalent) in subjects such as maths and English
 - Other related Level 3 qualifications such as T Levels
 - Access to Higher Education Diploma from an approved further education institution
 - Relevant work experience, or
 - An international equivalent to the above qualifications



EARLY YEARS EDUCATION

Studying Early Years Education in college is a great choice for anyone who enjoys working with children and wants to make a positive impact on their lives.

It offers a solid foundation in understanding how children grow, learn, and develop, while also teaching important skills like communication, patience, and responsibility. Whether you're aiming for a career in education, healthcare, or social services, studying early years opens the door to many rewarding and meaningful opportunities.



EARLY YEARS EDUCATION

LEVEL 1
Childcare
Level 1 Certificate
(SC) 1 year

LEVEL 2
Working with Children in Early Years and Primary Settings
Level 2 Certificate
(SC) 1 year

Early Years Practitioner
Level 2 Diploma
(SC) (TC) 1 year

T LEVEL
Education and Early Years
T Level **(SC) (TC)**
2 years

For more info on T Levels see page: 25

HTQ
Early Years Senior Practitioner
Level 5 Diploma
HTQ **(Online)** 2 years

For more info on HTQs see page: 111

UCSE
Progress on to a range of Social Care and Childcare based courses at our University Centre South Essex such as Special Educational Needs and Disability Studies BA (Hons) & Early Years Care and Education BA (Hons)

For more info on UCSE see page: 110



Social Worker
Salary Range: £26,460 - £57,000

Child and Early Years Officers
Salary Range: £18,340 - £39,500

Early Years Practitioner
Salary Range: £16,000 - £32,000

Nursery Workers
Salary Range: £20,570 - £44,310



Level 1

Childcare Level 1 Certificate (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- Two GCSE's at grade 1 in English and maths

Level 2

Working with Children in Early Years and Primary Settings Level 2 Certificate (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- Two GCSE's at grade 2 in English and maths
 - An enhanced DBS disclosure
 - Successful attendance at interview event

Early Years Practitioner Level 2 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- Two GCSE's at grade 3 in English and maths
 - An enhanced DBS disclosure
 - Successful attendance at interview event

T Level (Level 3)

Education and Early Years T Level (SC) (TC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Four GCSE's at grade 4 including English and maths

HTQ (Level 5)

Early Years Senior Practitioner Level 5 Diploma HTQ (Online) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Level 3 Early Years Practitioner
 - Maths and English at grade 4 or above
 - Working in the role of leader, deputy or manager in an appropriate setting

UCSE

Special Educational Needs and Disability Studies BA (Hons) (SC) 3 years

- Entry Requirements:
- A minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:
- Access to Higher Education Diploma
 - A Levels
 - T Levels
 - Extended Diploma
 - Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (Level 3 or 4)
 - Or equivalent EU/International qualifications, such as International Baccalaureate Diploma
 - GCSE English Language and maths at Grade 4 or above OR a Level 2 equivalent such as Functional Skills

Early Years, Care and Education BA (Hons) (SC) 3 years

- Entry Requirements:
- A minimum of 64 UCAS Points from one or more of the following:
- A Levels
 - T Levels
 - Extended Diploma
 - Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (Level 3 or 4)
 - Or equivalent EU/International qualifications, such as International Baccalaureate Diploma
 - GCSE English Language and maths at Grade 4 or above OR a Level 2 equivalent such as Functional Skills

ENGINEERING



Studying engineering qualifications offers a strong foundation in both theoretical knowledge and practical skills, making it ideal for those interested in fields such as mechanical, electrical, or civil engineering. These courses emphasize hands-on learning, allowing you to apply concepts in real-world situations and develop problem-solving abilities crucial for engineering roles. This approach not only builds technical expertise but also prepares you to tackle industry challenges effectively.

Additionally, engineering qualifications are highly valued by employers and offer a direct path into the workforce or further education. With the increasing demand for skilled engineers, these courses equip you with the practical skills needed to succeed in various technical roles.

ENGINEERING

LEVEL 2

Engineering
Level 2 Diploma (LL)
(SR) 1 year

Marine Engineering
Level 2 Diploma (LL)
1 year

Welding
Apprenticeship
Level 2 (WB)
18 months

Mechanical Engineers

Salary Range:
£27,600 - £59,450

Production and Process Engineers

Salary Range:
£28,380 - £61,140

LEVEL 3

Engineering (Craft)
Level 3 Diploma (LL) 1 year

Marine Engineer
Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 4 years

Maintenance and Operations Engineering Technician
Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 3 years

Mechatronics Maintenance Technician
Apprenticeship Level 3 (LL) 4 years

Machining Technician
Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 4 years

Engineering Fitter
Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 4 years

A LEVEL

A Level Engineering Pathway
(Maths & Physics, Further Maths, Computing, Chemistry, Economics, Vocational Engineering) (TC) 2 years

T LEVEL

Design, Surveying and Planning
T Level (TC) 2 years

Maintenance, Installation and Repair for Engineering and Manufacturing (Mechatronic Route)
T Level (LL) 2 years

HTQ

Automation and Control for England
Level 4 HTQ (TC)
2 years

Mechatronics for England
Level 4 HTQ (TC)
2 years

For more info on HTQs see page: 111

Electrical Engineers

Salary Range: £34,770 - £74,880

Engineering Technicians

Salary Range: £25,890 - £55,760



Level 2

Engineering Level 2 Diploma (LL) (SR) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
 - Successful attendance at interview

Marine Engineering Level 2 Diploma (LL) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English

Welding Apprenticeship Level 2 (WB) 18 months

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship.
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
 - Set by the employer but apprentices must demonstrate via initial assessment that they are working at Entry Level 3 in both English and maths unless an Education Health and Care Plan is held

Level 3

Engineering (Craft) Level 3 Diploma (LL) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths, or
 - Engineering Level 2 Diploma plus GCSE maths and English at grade 4 or equivalent
 - Successful attendance at interview

Engineering Fitter Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 4 years

Mechatronics Maintenance Technician Apprenticeship Level 3 (LL) 4 Years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
 - 9-4 grade GCSE in English & maths OR Level 2 functional Skills in English and maths
 - Employers may request additional entry criteria

Marine Engineer Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 4 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship.
 - You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
 - GCSE grade 4 in maths and English or equivalent
 - GCSE grade 4 in Science or equivalent (would be advantageous but not essential)

Maintenance and Operations Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 3 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship
 - Age restrictions: 16+
 - GCSE maths grade 4 or Functional Skill in maths Level 2
 - GCSE English Language grade 4 or Functional Skill in English Level 2
 - Working in a job role such as Electrical Technicians; Mechanical Technicians; Control & Instrumentation Technicians; Wind Turbine Technicians Electrical System and Process Control Technicians; Electromechanical Technicians and Plant Operations Technicians

Machining Technician Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 4 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship
 - Age restrictions: 16+
 - GCSE maths grade 4 or Functional Skill in maths Level 2
 - GCSE English Language grade 4 or Functional Skill in English Level 2
 - Working in a job role such as a Machinist

A Level (Level 3)

A Level Engineering Pathway (Maths & Physics, Further Maths, Computing, Chemistry, Economics, Vocational Engineering) (TC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- 5 GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including maths and English Language

T Level (Level 3)

Maintenance, Installation and Repair for Engineering and Manufacturing (Mechatronic Route) T Level (LL) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 2 Qualification, or Transition Qualification or four GCSEs at grade 4, including English and maths Grade 5

Design, Surveying and Planning T Level (TC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Minimum of grade 5 and above in maths and GCSEs in maths and science grade 4 and above

HTQ (Level 4)

Mechatronics for England Level 4 HTQ (TC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:
- Level 3 Engineering
 - T Level Engineering and Manufacturing
 - AVCE/GNVQ in a related vocational area (Level 3)
 - A Levels in maths and science subjects
 - A related Access to Higher Education Certificate or other related Level 3 qualifications
 - Related work experience supported by GCSEs at grades 9-5 or equivalent
 - You will also need GCSE English and GCSE maths at grade 5 or above OR a Level 2 equivalent such as functional skills

Automation and Control for England Level 4 HTQ (TC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:
- Level 3 Engineering
 - T Level Engineering and Manufacturing
 - AVCE/GNVQ in a related vocational area (Level 3)
 - A Levels in maths and science subjects
 - A related Access to Higher Education Certificate or other related Level 3 qualifications
 - Related work experience supported by GCSEs at grades 9-5 or equivalent
 - You will also need GCSE English and GCSE maths at grade 5 or above OR a Level 2 equivalent such as functional skills



ESOL

ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)

Aimed at EU and overseas citizens living in the UK whose first language is not English, this course is designed to help you improve your English for work, career development, and everyday life. You will build key skills in speaking, writing, and communication. The course also includes employability training, opportunities for work experience, and clear pathways to progress onto other courses or further study.

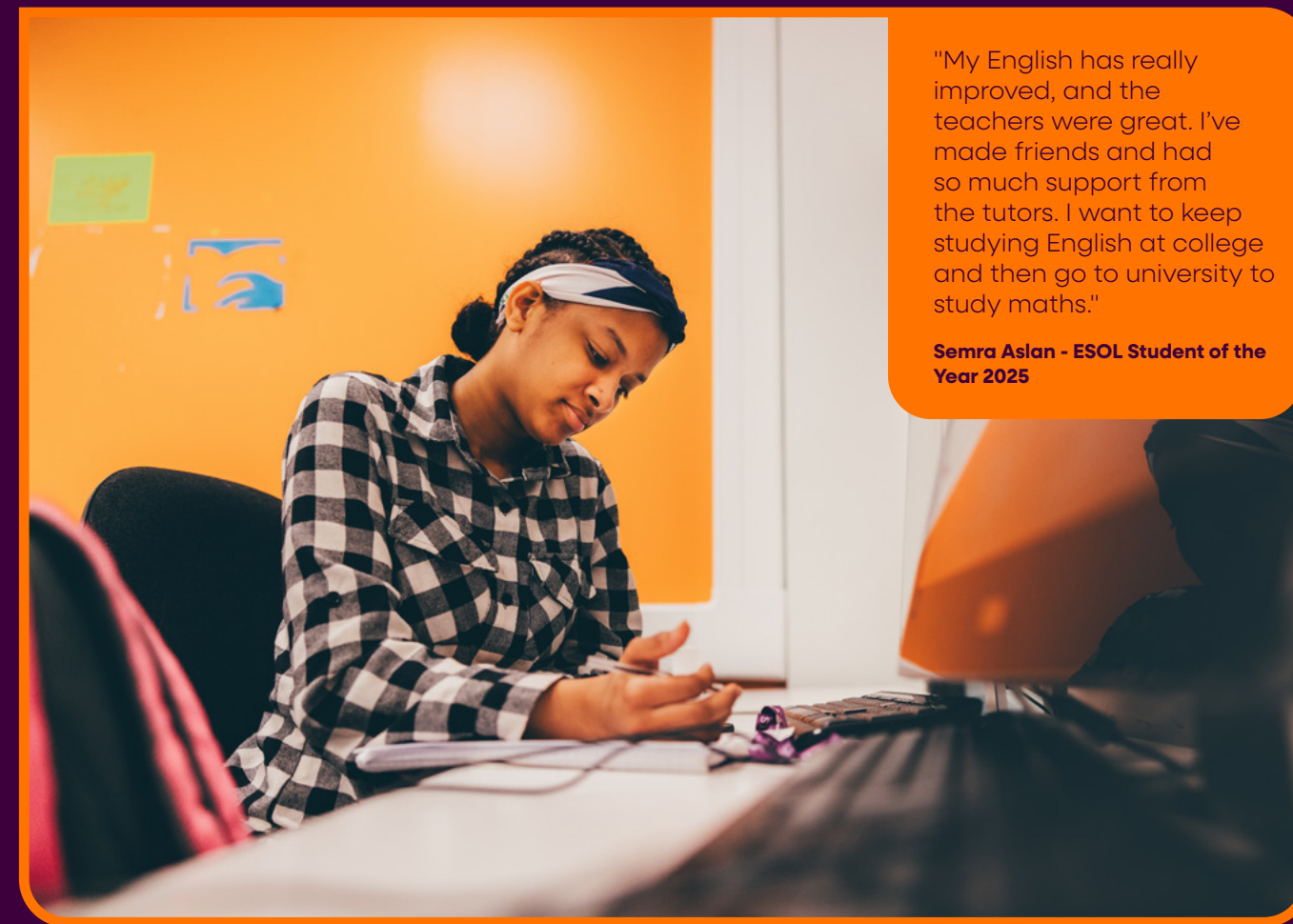
ESOL

Multiple levels available

Basildon Town Centre | Southend City Campus | Thurrock Campus - 1 year

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- There are no entry requirements, though you will need to attend an interview and initial assessment with an ESOL teacher



"My English has really improved, and the teachers were great. I've made friends and had so much support from the tutors. I want to keep studying English at college and then go to university to study maths."

Semra Aslan - ESOL Student of the Year 2025



FOUNDATION & SUPPORTED LEARNING >>



PATHWAYS TO INDEPENDENCE

On our pathways programme, young people will have the opportunity to develop their independent living skills to prepare for Adulthood, whilst studying maths and English at an appropriate level. The programme is designed for young people who will benefit from learning in a supported environment.

EXAMPLES OF TOPICS COVERED:

- Healthy lifestyles
- Career planning
- Team work
- Employability
- Accessing the local community
- Maths
- English

This course covers many transferable skills which will allow for potential progression into a range of areas including further study at the college, employment or Supported Internship.

SUPPORTED INTERSHIPS

Interns work for an employer for a minimum of six months to learn the role and tackle the tasks needed to become suitable for paid employment. Each intern will receive on-site training from a professional job coach who will support the intern to learn the skills required for that workplace or task and encourage them to become involved in support systems such as co-workers.

Support will then be gradually faded as and when the intern achieves independence in the workplace. This is known as the learn, train and fade model.

In college learners will develop employability skills, maths and English.

THE INTERN WILL:

- ✓ Gain invaluable experience and learn new skills in the work place
- ✓ Further develop their English and maths skills
- ✓ Improve their chance of gaining paid employment

PATHWAYS TO INDEPENDENCE

Entry Level 3 - Level 2

Basildon Town Centre | Southend City Campus |
Thurrock Campus - 1 year

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- There are no formal qualifications required for this programme, It is designed for young people with recognised learning difficulties and or disabilities
- 19+ learners will require an Educational Health and Care Plan (EHCP)
- Successful attendance at interview

SUPPORTED INTERSHIPS

Multiple Levels

Basildon Town Centre | Southend City Campus |
Thurrock Campus - 1 year

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicants will need to have an EHCP to be considered for this programme
- Please contact supportedinternship@southessex.ac.uk

HAIR & BEAUTY



Studying hair and beauty qualifications provides practical skills in hairstyling, makeup, and skincare, preparing you for a career in the beauty industry.

These courses combine creative techniques with industry knowledge, allowing you to work with real clients and build a strong portfolio. With a focus on hands-on learning and professional standards, they offer a direct path to roles in salons, spas, or freelance work in the beauty field.

Additionally, these qualifications can open doors to advanced training opportunities and specialisations, helping you stay competitive in the ever-evolving beauty industry.



HAIR AND BEAUTY

LEVEL 1

Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector (Hair Pathway)
Level 1 Certificate
(SC) 1 year

Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector (Beauty Pathway)
Level 1 Certificate
(SC) (TC) 1 year

LEVEL 2

Women's Hairdressing
Level 2 Certificate
(SC) (TC) 1 year

Hair and Media Makeup Studies
Level 2 Diploma
(SC) 1 year

Beauty Specialist Techniques
Level 2 Certificate
(SC) (TC) 1 year

LEVEL 3

Hairdressing
Level 3 Diploma
(SC) (TC) 1 year

Beauty Therapy Studies
Level 3 Diploma
(SC) (TC) 1 year

Fashion, Theatre and Media Hair and Makeup
Level 3 Diploma
(SC) (TC) 1 year

LEVEL 4

Salon Management
Level 4 Diploma
(SC) (TC) 1 year



UCSE

Progress on to a range of Hair & Beauty based courses at our University Centre South Essex such as Hair and Makeup Design and Application for Production FdA. A top-up year is also available to make this a BA (Hons) award

For more info on UCSE see page: 110

"I've loved every step of the journey. Level 2 was amazing. I went on trips and came 3rd in an inter-college skills competition. Now I'm working in a London salon and I'm enrolled onto the Level 4 next year to keep growing my skills."

Remi Martin - Beauty Student of the Year 2025

Beauticians

Salary Range: £14,270 - £24,730

Salon Managers

Salary Range: £20,900 - £45,010

Hairdressers and Barbers

Salary Range: £14,690 - £25,470

Nail Technician

Salary Range: £19,000 - £23,000

Level 1

Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector (Hair Pathway) Level 1 Certificate (SC) 1 year or

Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector (Beauty Pathway) Level 1 Certificate (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 including maths and English plus two other subjects
- Successful attendance at interview event
- Successful attendance at transition event
- You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables at enrolment

Level 2

Women's Hairdressing Level 2 Certificate (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
- Successful attendance at interview event
- Please be aware that you will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables at enrolment

Hair and Media Makeup Studies Level 2 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
- Successful attendance at interview event
- You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables at enrolment

Please note you will need to:

- Provide hair equipment and make up kit
- Maintain correct uniform standards
- Make a one-off payment for yearly consumables
- Keep a working portfolio

Beauty Specialist Techniques Level 2 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths and English
- Successful attendance at interview event
- Please be aware that you will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables at enrolment

Level 3

Hairdressing Level 3 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification in Hairdressing or similar, plus GCSE grade 4 in English and maths
- Successful attendance at interview event
- You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables

Beauty Therapy Studies Level 3 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

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

Fashion, Theatre and Media Hair and Makeup Level 3 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification in Hair and Media Make-up or similar, plus GCSE grade 4 in English and maths
- Successful attendance at interview event
- You will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables at enrolment

Level 4

Salon Management Level 4 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

(To include additional practical units as a pathway to L4, L5, L7 Advanced Aesthetics)

Entry Requirements:

- Level 3 in Beauty Therapy
- Grade 4 in English and Maths GCSE
- Successful attendance and interview
- Present a high standard of professionalism and delivery of high-quality treatments

UCSE

Hair and Makeup Design and Application for Production FdA (HH) 2 years Validated by the University of the Arts London (UAL)

Entry Requirements:

A minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:

- Access to Higher Education Diploma
- A Levels
- T Levels
- Extended Diploma
- Related Foundation Diploma (Level 3 or 4)
- Or equivalent EU/International qualifications, such as International Baccalaureate Diploma
- And English GCSE passes at grade 4 or above
- You will also be required to attend an interview and portfolio review

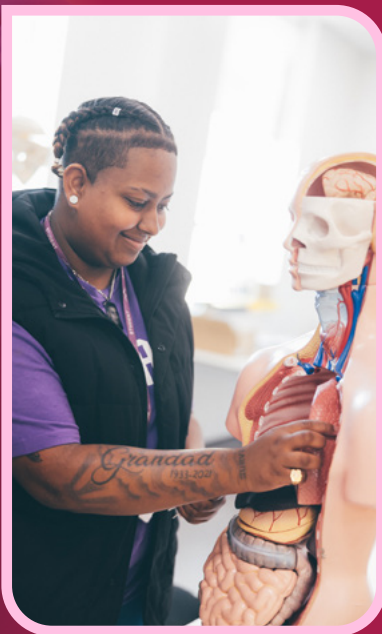
Hair and Makeup Design and Application for Production BA (Hons) Top Up (HH) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- 240 credits (120 at Level 4 and 120 at Level 5) achieved through a Performing Arts qualification
- IELTS (Academic) 6



HEALTH



Studying health qualifications equips you with the knowledge and skills needed to support individuals in medical and care settings.

These courses focus on practical experience in areas like healthcare practices, patient support, and medical ethics, preparing you for rewarding roles in hospitals, clinics, and care facilities. By gaining hands-on experience and understanding professional standards, you will be well-prepared to make a positive impact in people's lives.

HEALTH

LEVEL 1
Health and Care
Level 1 Certificate
(SC) 1 year

LEVEL 2
Health
Foundation T level
(SC) (TC) 1 year

T LEVEL
Health
T Level **(SC) (TC)**
2 years

For more info on T Levels see page: 25

HTQ
Healthcare Professions Support for England
Level 5 HTQ **(SC) (TC)** 2 years

For more info on HTQs see page: 111

"The tutors were excellent; they were truly encouraging. I am progressing to Level 3 at college, and I'm motivated to become a Mental Health Nurse. The learning experience and environment truly empowered me."

Aaliyah Muili - Health & Social Care Student of the Year 2025



Care Workers
Salary Range: £15,220 - £32,770

Midwifery Nurses
Salary Range: £26,920 - £57,990

Nursing Professionals
Salary Range: £24,670 - £53,140

Nursing Auxiliaries and Assistants
Salary Range: £16,330 - £35,180



Level 1

Health and Care Level 1 Certificate (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 including maths and English plus two other subjects

T Level (Level 2)

Health Foundation T level (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Grade 3 in GCSE maths, 3 in GCSE English and 2 in GCSE science (Preferably Science CORE)
- A introduction assessment to be undertaken at enrolment to assess suitability for the course
- Preferably some knowledge and skills of the Health and Social Care sector
- Clean DBS (DBS to be done in-house at the college when learners start)

Please be aware that you will be required to purchase salon wear, equipment kit, textbooks and consumables at enrolment

T Level (Level 3)

Health T Level (SC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification at merit grade or higher or
- Transition qualification or
- Four GCSEs at grade 4, including English, maths and science

HTQ (Level 5)

Healthcare Professions Support for England Level 5 HTQ (SC) (TC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 3 qualification in Health and Social Care (or related subject)
- A GCE Advanced Level profile that demonstrates strong performance in a relevant subject or adequate performance in more than one GCE subject. This profile is likely to be supported by GCSE grades 9 to 4 (or equivalent) in subjects such as maths and English
- Other related Level 3 qualifications
- An Access to Higher Education Diploma awarded by an approved further education institution
- Related work experience
- An international equivalent of the above



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



Studying digital qualifications provides practical, hands-on experience in the rapidly expanding tech industry, covering areas like software development, cybersecurity, and digital marketing. This approach focuses on real-world applications, allowing you to develop valuable skills through project-based learning, enhancing career prospects or further studies.

These courses are highly valued by employers and offer a flexible path to entering the workforce or higher education. With digital skills in demand across industries, these qualifications make you more adaptable and competitive in today's tech-driven economy.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

LEVEL 2

Digital Transition Programme Diploma in Digital and IT Skills
Level 2 T Level (BTC)
1 year

LEVEL 3

AAQ Information Technology
Level 3 BTEC (BTC)
1 year

HTQ

Digital Technologies (Data Analytics)
Level 5 HTQ (BTC)
2 years

Digital Technologies (Cybersecurity)
Level 5 HTQ (BTC)
2 years

Computing for England (Network Engineering)
Level 5 HTQ (BTC)
2 years

For more info on HTQs see page: 111

T LEVEL

Digital Business Service
T Level (BTC)
2 years

Digital Support Services
T Level (BTC)
2 years

Digital Production
T Level (BTC)
2 years

For more info on T Levels see page: 25



Programmers

Salary Range:
£32,130 - £69,200

Data Analysts

Salary Range:
£21,560 - £46,440

IT Operations Technicians

Salary Range: £20,240 - £43,600

IT Managers

Salary Range: £33,070 - £71,230



“The course gives you hands-on experience with emerging technologies you don’t often get to study. The tutors are very knowledgeable, offering practical insights and a global view of how technology is applied. It prepares you well for the industry, especially if, like me, you want to build a career in cybersecurity.”

Joseph Whall - IT Student of the Year 2025

T Level (Level 2)

Digital Transition Programme Diploma in Digital and IT Skills Level 2 T Level (BTC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 1 qualification at merit grade or higher
 - Four GCSEs at Grade 3, including English and maths

Level 3

Digital Data Analytics T Level (BTC) 2 years
Digital Support and Security T Level (BTC) 2 years
Digital Software Development T Level (BTC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 2 qualification at merit grade or higher or
 - Transition qualification or
 - Four GCSEs at Grade 4, including English and maths

AAQ Information Technology Level 3 BTEC (BTC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 2 qualification at merit grade or higher or
 - Transition qualification or
 - Four GCSEs at Grade 4, including English or maths

HTQ (Level 5)

Digital Technologies (Data Analytics) Level 5 HTQ (BTC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 3 qualification in Computing, Business or Creative Digital Media Production
 - GCE Advanced Level profile that demonstrates strong performance in a relevant subject or adequate performance in more than one GCE subject. This profile is likely to be supported by GCSE grades at 9 to 4 (or equivalent) in subjects such as maths and English
 - other related Level 3 qualifications
 - Access to Higher Education Diploma from an approved further education institution
 - relevant work experience
 - or an international equivalent to the above qualifications

Digital Technologies (Cybersecurity) Level 5 HTQ (BTC) 2 years

Computing for England (Network Engineering) Level 5 HTQ (BTC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- a Level 3 qualification in Computing
 - a GCE Advanced Level profile that demonstrates strong performance in a relevant subject or adequate performance in more than one GCE subject. This profile is likely to be supported by GCSE grades at 9 to 4 (or equivalent) in subjects such as maths and English
 - other related Level 3 qualifications
 - an Access to Higher Education Diploma from an approved further education institution
 - relevant work experience, or
 - an international equivalent to the above qualifications





MEDIA

Studying media qualifications offers a hands-on insight into the fast-paced world of film, television, and digital content creation. These courses provide practical experience in video production, editing, and storytelling, helping you develop creative skills using industry-standard tools and technologies. This blend of technical know-how and creative expression builds a strong portfolio that showcases your abilities and boosts your employability.

Highly relevant in today's digital landscape, media courses prepare you for careers in broadcasting, digital marketing, or film production, offering the versatility to work across various platforms and industries.



MEDIA

LEVEL 1

Digital Technologies (Media Pathway)

Level 1 Diploma (SC)
1 year

LEVEL 2

Digital Technologies (Media Pathway)

Level 2 Diploma (SC)
1 year

LEVEL 3

Creative Media Production (Print Media and Communications)

Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Creative Media Production (Television and Film Production)

Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Interactive Digital Media

Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

UCSE

Progress on to a range of Media based courses at our University Centre South Essex such as Film & Television Production BA (Hons) & Creative Media & Promotion BA (Hons)

For more info on UCSE see page: 110

T LEVEL

Media, Broadcast and Production

T Level (SC) 2 years

For more info on T Levels see page: 25

Media Researcher

Salary Range: £16,000 - £40,000

Broadcast Engineer

Salary Range: £20,00 - £50,000

Video Editor

Salary Range: £18,000 - £45,000

"I loved teaming up with creative, like-minded people and amazing tutors. I made friends for life. The course has brilliant equipment you won't find elsewhere."

Lennon Howard - Creative Media Student of the Year 2025

Level 1

Digital Technologies (Media Pathway) Level 1 Diploma (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- Two GCSEs at grade 2 including maths or English, or an Entry 3 qualification, or equivalent
 - Successful attendance at interview
 - Successful attendance at transition event
 - You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio

Level 2

Digital Technologies (Media Pathway) Level 2 Diploma (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:
- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
 - Successful attendance at interview event
 - You will be asked to provide evidence of your ability in the subject which could be in the form of a portfolio

Level 3

Creative Media Production (Print Media and Communications) Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths dependent on vocational subject to be studied
 - 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

Creative Media Production (Television and Film Production) Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths dependent on vocational subject to be studied
 - 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

Interactive Digital Media Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Working knowledge of all social media platforms
 - Working knowledge of Adobe software
 - Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - two to be grade 4 in English and maths
 - 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

T Level (Level 3)

Media, Broadcast and Production T Level (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:
- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths
 - 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

UCSE

Film & Television Production BA (Hons) (SC) 3 years

- Entry Requirements:
- You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:
- A Levels
 - T Levels
 - Extended Diploma
 - Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (Level 3 or 4)
 - Or equivalent EU/International qualifications, such as International Baccalaureate Diploma
 - And English GCSE passes at grade 4 or above
- This list is not exhaustive, other qualifications may be considered. Entry to this course will also be determined by the quality of your application, looking primarily at your portfolio/ showreel of work, personal statement and reference.

Creative Media & Promotion BA (Hons) (SC) 3 years

- Entry Requirements:
- You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:
- A Levels, preferably in a creative or media subject
 - Level 3 Diploma with a minimum of pass profile
 - Access to Higher Education Diploma Level 3 (minimum 15 credits at merit or above)
 - Higher National Diploma (for possible direct entry on to year two)
 - Foundation Diploma in Art and Design Level 4
 - Other qualifications will be considered on an individual basis. You will also need GCSE English at Grade 4 or above OR a Level 2 equivalent such as functional skills qualification

MOTOR VEHICLE

Studying motor vehicle qualifications provides practical skills and in-depth knowledge of vehicle maintenance, repair, and diagnostics. These courses focus on hands-on experience with engines, electrical systems, and modern automotive technologies, allowing you to gain the expertise needed to work in garages, dealerships, or even start your own business. This real-world training ensures that you will be well-prepared for the challenges of the automotive industry.

With the growing demand for skilled technicians and advancements in vehicle technology, these qualifications provide essential skills for a successful career in the evolving automotive industry.



MOTOR VEHICLE

ENTRY

Motor Vehicle Pathway

Entry Level 3 Certificate **(SR)**
1 year

LEVEL 1

Motor Vehicle Automotive Maintenance

Level 1 Diploma **(SR)**
1 year

LEVEL 2

Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair

Level 2 Certificate **(SR)**
1 year

LEVEL 3

Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair

Level 3 Diploma **(SR)**
1 year

Motor Vehicle Services and Maintenance Technician (Light Vehicle)

Apprenticeship
Level 3 **(WB)**
36 months

Vehicle And Parts Salespersons And Advisers

Salary Range: 17,350 - £37,380

Vehicle Technicians, Mechanics and Electricians

Salary Range: £20,770 - £44,740

Assemblers

Salary Range: £21,670 - £46,670

Garage Managers

Salary Range: £24,970 - £53,770

Entry

Motor Vehicle Pathway Entry Level 3 Certificate (SR) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Demonstrate the ability to work at Entry level 3 in maths or English or GCSE grade 1
- Successful attendance at interview
- Successful attendance at transition event

Level 1

Motor Vehicle Automotive Maintenance Level 1 Diploma (SR) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Two GCSEs at grade 2 including maths and English, or
- An Entry 3 qualification, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview
- Successful attendance at transition event

Level 2

Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 2 Certificate (SR) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at interview

Level 3

Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 3 Diploma (SR) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification in Motor Vehicle or similar, plus GCSE grade 4 in English or maths
- Successful attendance at interview event

Motor Vehicle Services and Maintenance Technician (Light Vehicle) Apprenticeship Level 3 (WB) 36 months

Entry Requirements:

- Employed in a trade/industry related to the apprenticeship.
- You will need to find employment in a related trade/industry before applying for the apprenticeship programme you wish to complete
- 9/4 grade GCSE or Level 2 functional skills in English and maths





MUSIC



Studying music qualifications helps develop both performance and theory skills across various genres. These courses offer hands-on experience in composition, recording, and live performance, encouraging creativity and helping you build a strong portfolio. Working on practical projects and collaborating with others also provides valuable industry experience.

Music qualifications open doors to careers in areas like production, teaching, and performing. With a focus on technical ability and creative expression, they prepare you for roles in studios, theatres, freelance work, or further study in music.

MUSIC

LEVEL 1

Music, Performance and Production
Level 1 Diploma (TC)
1 year

LEVEL 2

Music, Performance and Production
Level 2 Diploma (TC)
1 year

LEVEL 3

Music Performance
Level 3 Extended Diploma (TC)
2 years

Music Production
Level 3 Extended Diploma (TC)
2 years

Studio Sound Engineer
Salary Range: £17,000 - £40,000

Music Therapist
Salary Range: £39,000 - £55,000

Live Sound Engineer
Salary Range: £25,000 - £40,000

Musician
Salary Range: £29,090 - £62,650



"Music has been my passion since I was young - I used to sing all the time and knew I wanted to keep going with it. The teachers have been amazing, showing me things about music I never knew. I even joined a band for the first time through college and loved it. I'm heading to university and want to become a music teacher. If you're passionate about music, you should follow it - you've got inspiring tutors and students here who really bring that passion to life."

Tianna Gumbo - Music Student of the Year 2025

Level 1

Music, Performance and Production Level 1 Diploma (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Two GCSEs at grade 2 including maths or English, or
- An Entry 3 qualification, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview
- Successful attendance at transition event

Level 2

Music, Performance and Production Level 2 Diploma (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- You will be required to evidence your ability in the subject in the form of an audition
- Successful attendance at interview event

Level 3

Music Performance Level 3 Extended Diploma (TC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths dependent on vocational subject to be studied
- A relevant performing arts qualification is desirable, but not essential
- Successful attendance at interview event

Music Production Level 3 Extended Diploma (TC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths dependent on vocational subject to be studied
- A relevant performing arts qualification is desirable, but not essential
- Successful attendance at interview event





PERFORMING ARTS

Studying performing arts qualifications provides a dynamic blend of practical experience and creative exploration in areas such as acting, dance, and music. These courses offer hands-on opportunities to develop performance skills, work on live projects, and collaborate with fellow artists, helping students build a versatile portfolio. By immersing yourself in various aspects of the performing arts, you will gain the confidence and expertise essential for careers in theatre, film, and entertainment.

Many programmes also include workshops with industry professionals and opportunities to perform publicly, offering real-world insight and helping you prepare for further study or employment in the creative sector.



PERFORMING ARTS

LEVEL 2

Performing and Production Arts (Acting)

Level 2 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Performing and Production Arts (Live Events and Theatre Production)

Level 2 Diploma (TC) 1 year

LEVEL 3

Performing and Production Arts (Musical Theatre)

Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Performing and Production Arts (Dance)

Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Performing Arts (Acting)

Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Performing and Production Arts (Live Events and Theatre Production)

Level 3 Extended Diploma (TC) 2 years



UCSE

Progress on to a range of Performing Art based courses at our University Centre South Essex such as Performing Arts (Acting Pathway) (HND) & Performing Arts (Dance Pathway) (HND) & Performing Arts BA (Hons) Top Up

For more info on UCSE see page: 110

Dancer and Choreographer

Salary Range: £21,390 - £46,080

Actors, Entertainers and Presenters

Salary Range: £15,530 - £33,440

"I really enjoyed the course – the tutors were funny, supportive, and helped me explore both acting and directing. The environment is welcoming and diverse, with lots of opportunities to try different things. I'm now progressing to UCSE to study Performing Arts, and this course gave me the confidence to take that next step."

Jenna-Ann Dewey - Performing Arts Student of the Year 2025



Level 2

Performing and Production Arts (Acting) Level 2 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Performing and Production Arts (Live Events and Theatre Production) Level 2 Diploma (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- A relevant performing arts qualification is desirable, but not essential
- Successful attendance at interview event

Level 3

Performing and Production Arts (Musical Theatre) Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Performing and Production Arts (Dance) Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Performing Arts (Acting) Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Performing and Production Arts (Live Events and Theatre Production) Level 3 Extended Diploma (TC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in English or maths dependent on vocational subject to be studied
- A relevant performing arts qualification is desirable, but not essential
- Successful attendance at interview event

UCSE

Performing Arts (Acting Pathway) (HND) (SC) 2 years

Performing Arts (Dance Pathway) (HND) (SC) (TC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS points from one or more of the following:

- Access to Higher Education Diploma
- A Levels
- T Levels
- Extended Diploma
- Foundation Diploma in Art and Design (Level 3 or 4)
- Or equivalent EU/International qualifications, such as International Baccalaureate Diploma
- And English GCSE passes at grade 4 or above

This list is not exhaustive, other qualifications may be considered. Entry to this course will also be determined by the quality of your application, looking primarily at your portfolio/showreel of work, personal statement and reference.

Performing Arts BA (Hons) Top Up (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

This course is a top up year for the HND Acting or Dance Pathways listed above.

240 credits (120 at Level 4 and 120 at Level 5) achieved through a Performing Arts qualification

- IELTS (Academic) 6
- IELTS 6.0 – minimum 5.5 across all components (Academic) 6

This list is not exhaustive, other qualifications may be considered. Entry to this course will also be determined by the quality of your application, looking primarily at an audition set by the course team, personal statement and reference.



PUBLIC SERVICES

Studying public services qualifications provides a comprehensive understanding of essential roles in sectors such as law enforcement, emergency services, and community support. These courses offer practical training in areas like leadership, crisis management, and public safety, helping you develop the skills needed to handle real-world challenges effectively. Through hands-on experience and simulations, you will learn to respond to emergencies, manage teams, and contribute positively to their communities.

Additionally, qualifications in public services open doors to a range of career paths, from working in police forces and fire departments to roles in social work and emergency management. By gaining expertise in these critical areas, you will be well-prepared to make a meaningful impact and pursue a fulfilling career dedicated to serving and protecting the public.

PUBLIC SERVICES

LEVEL 1

Entry to the Uniformed Services

NCFE Level 1 Diploma **(SC)** 1 year

LEVEL 2

Public Services (SC) 1 year

LEVEL 3

Entry to the Uniformed Public Services

Level 3 Diploma **(SC)** 2 years

Entry to the Uniformed Public Services (Policing Pathway)

Level 3 Diploma **(SC)** 2 years

LEVEL 4

Public Services (Policing)
Level 4 (HNC) **(SC)**
1 year

Fire Service Officers

Salary Range: £25,660 - £55,270

Police Officer

Salary Range: £29,140 - £62,760

Prison Service Officers

Salary Range: £19,690 - £42,410

Officers in Armed Forces

Salary Range: £38,920 - £83,830

"I've always wanted to serve and help people. This course has been such a big part of that journey. The trips were brilliant, and the tutors went above and beyond - truly amazing. It's helped me so much, and now I'm ready to follow my dream of joining the police force."

Matthew Richards - Public Services Student of the Year 2025



Level 1

Entry to the Uniformed Services NCFE Level 1 Diploma (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Two GCSEs at grade 2 including maths or English, or
 - An Entry 3 qualification, or equivalent
 - Successful attendance at interview
 - Successful attendance at transition event

Level 2

Public Services Level 2 Diploma (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
 - Successful attendance at interview event

Level 3

Entry to the Uniformed Public Services Level 3 Diploma (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- 4 x GCSEs at grade 4, one of which must be English or maths
 - Successful attendance at interview event

Entry to the Uniformed Public Services Level 3 Diploma (Policing Pathway) (SC) 2 years

- Entry Requirements:**
- 4 x GCSEs at grade 4, one of which must be English or maths
 - Successful attendance at interview event

Level 4

Public Services (Policing) Level 4 (HNC) (SC) 1 year

- Entry Requirements:**
- Level 3 Diploma (Preferably Public Service related e.g. Public Services, Policing, Criminology)
 - Ability to work to a GCSE/Level 2 standard in maths and English





SCIENCE



Studying science qualifications provides a solid foundation in key scientific principles and practical laboratory techniques across various disciplines such as biology, chemistry, and physics.

These courses emphasise hands-on experiments and data analysis, allowing you to apply theoretical knowledge in real-world contexts and develop critical thinking skills. With a focus on both scientific inquiry and practical skills, you will be well-prepared for further education or careers in research, healthcare, and environmental science. This thorough preparation helps you stand out in a range of scientific and technical fields.

SCIENCE

LEVEL 1

Applied Science
Level 1 Diploma **(SC)**
1 year

LEVEL 2

Applied Science with Technology
Level 2 Certificate **(SC)** 1 year

LEVEL 3

Applied Science
Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification **(SC)**
1 year

Forensics and Criminal Investigation
Level 3 Extended Diploma **(SC)**
2 years

A LEVEL

Medical Pathway
A Levels **(TC)**
2 years

For more info on A Levels see page: 24

UCSE

Progress on at our University Centre South Essex with a degree in Criminology & Forensic Investigation

For more info on UCSE see page: 110



Microbiologist

Salary Range: £23,000 - £45,000

Clinical Scientist

Salary Range: £48,000 - £63,000

Biochemist

Salary Range: £29,120 - £62,720

Biological Scientists

Salary Range: £28,850 - £62,140

Level 1

Applied Science Level 1 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- An Entry 3 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 2 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at transition event

Level 2

Applied Science with Technology Level 2 Certificate (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at interview event

Level 3

Applied Science Level 3 Alternative Academic Qualification (SC) 1 year

***Note this qualification will be followed with option for an extended second year**

Entry Requirements:

- 4 x GCSEs at grade 4 including maths, English and science
- Successful attendance at interview event

Forensics and Criminal Investigation Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - one to be grade 4 in science and another in maths
- Successful attendance at interview event

A Level

A Level - Medical Pathway (TC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- 5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above, including maths and English Language

UCSE

Criminology & Forensic Investigation BSc (Hons) (SC) 3 years

Entry Requirements:

64 UCAS Tariff Points or above made up from the following:

- At least two A levels
- Level 3 Extended Diploma/Diploma/Subsidiary Diploma/Certificate
- National Award/Certificate/Diploma
- International Baccalaureate
- Access to Higher Education Diploma (minimum 30 credits at Merit or above)
- GCSE English Language and maths at Grade 4 or above OR a Level 2 equivalent such as Functional Skills
- For any qualification not identified above the HE Admission Team will determine equivalences through UKNARIC
- Applicants wishing to be considered for entry to the second year of study, or wishing to import credits or evidence of prior learning into the course for which they are applying, will be considered in accordance with the awarding bodies policy on Accreditation of Prior (Experiential) Learning





SPORT

Studying sport qualifications offers a comprehensive approach to understanding athletic performance, coaching, and sports management. These courses provide practical experience in areas such as physical training, sports science, and event organisation, helping you to develop both your physical skills and theoretical knowledge.

By engaging in hands-on projects and real-world scenarios, you will be well-prepared for a career in coaching, sports therapy, or sports administration, making you competitive in the diverse field of sports and fitness.

SPORT

LEVEL 1

Sport and Active Leisure
Level 1 Diploma (SC)
1 year



LEVEL 2

Sport
Level 2 First Extended Certificate (SC)
1 year

Personal Training Academy - Technical Occupational Entry in Fitness Coaching
Level 2 Certificate (SC) 1 year

Football Academy - Sport
Level 2 Extended Certificate (SC)
1 year

"I really enjoyed the practical side of the course. It helped me figure out what I want to do - now I'm focused on becoming a football coach."

Adam Neale - Sport Student of the Year 2025

LEVEL 3

Sports Coaching and Development
Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 Year

Personal Training Academy - Technical Occupational Entry in Personal Training
Level 3 Diploma (SC) 1 year

Sport and Exercise Sciences
Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC)
2 years

Football Academy - Sports Coaching and Development
Level 3 Diploma (SC) 2 years

Sports Massage and Rehabilitation
Level 3 Diploma (SC) 1 year

HTQ

Community Coaching for England
Level 4 HTQ (SC)
1 year

For more info on HTQs see page: 111

UCSE

Progress on at our University Centre South Essex with a degree in BSc (Hons) Applied Sport and Exercise Science

For more info on UCSE see page: 110

Sports Coach

Salary Range: £15,080 - £32,490

Fitness Instructor

Salary Range: £15,690 - £27,190

Leisure and Sports Managers

Salary Range: £21,540 - £46,390

Football Coach

Salary Range: £19,000 - £29,000

Level 1

Sport and Active Leisure Level 1 Diploma (SC) 1 year
Entry Requirements:

- Entry Level 3 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 2 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at transition event

Level 2

Sport Level 2 First Extended Certificate (SC) 1 year
Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English

Personal Training Academy - Technical Occupational Entry in Fitness Coaching Level 2 Certificate (SC) 1 year
Additional qualification within this programme - Instructing Circuit Training/Instructing Kettlebell Training

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at interview event

Football Academy - Sport Level 2 Extended Certificate (SC) 1 year
Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 2 at grade 3 in maths or English
- Successful attendance at interview event and football trial

Level 3

Sports Coaching and Development Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years
Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs grade 4 and above and/or a level 2 qualification

Personal Training Academy - Technical Occupational Entry in Personal Training Level 3 Diploma (SC) 1 year
Additional qualification within this programme - Specialist in Optimising Training for the Aging Client (Award)/ Specialist in Adapting Physical Activity for Antenatal and Postnatal Clients (Award)

Sports Massage and Rehabilitation Level 3 Diploma (SC) 1 year
Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification in Physical Activity, Fitness and exercise science (Personal Training Academy) or similar, plus 4 GCSEs at grade 4-9, including maths or English
- Successful attendance at interview event

Sport and Exercise Sciences Level 3 Extended Diploma (SC) 2 years
Entry Requirements:

- You will need a minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 4-9, including maths, English, science and physical education

Or

- Sport Level 2 First Extended Certificate and grades 4-9 in maths and English

Football Academy - Sports Coaching and Development Level 3 Diploma (SC) 2 years
Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 4 including maths, English and physical education, or
- Sport and Active Leisure Level 2 Diploma plus maths and English at grade 4, or equivalent
- Successful attendance at interview event and football trial

HTQ (Level 4)

Community Coaching for England Level 4 HTQ (SC) 1 year
Entry Requirements:

- Level 3 qualification in Sport or Sport & Exercise Science
- GCE Advanced Level profile that demonstrates strong performance in a relevant subject or adequate performance in more than one GCE subject. This profile is likely to be supported by GCSE grades at 9 to 4 (or equivalent) in subjects such as maths and English
- other related Level 3 qualifications
- Access to Higher Education Diploma from an approved further education institution
- relevant work experience

Or

- an international equivalent to the above qualifications

UCSE

Applied Sport and Exercise Science BSc (Hons) (SC) 3 years
Entry Requirements:

- You will need a minimum of 64 UCAS Tariff Points or above from one or more of the following:
- A Levels
- Level 3 Extended Diploma/Diploma/Subsidiary Diploma/Certificate
- National Award/Certificate/Diploma
- International Baccalaureate
- Access to Higher Education Diploma (minimum 15 credits at Merit or above)
- GCSE English Language and Maths at Grade 4 or above OR a Level 2 equivalent such as Functional Skills

For any qualification not identified above the HE Admission Team will determine equivalences through UK ENIC.





TRAVEL & TOURISM

Studying travel and tourism qualifications offers a deep dive into the dynamics of the global travel industry, including customer service, travel planning, and destination management.

These courses provide practical experience in areas such as tour operations, event coordination, and hospitality, equipping students with the skills needed to thrive in various roles within the sector. By learning through real-world scenarios and industry projects, you will be prepared for a range of careers, from travel consultancy to event planning, making you well-suited for the vibrant and evolving world of travel and tourism.

This knowledge also helps you to understand global trends and cultural nuances, enhancing your ability to cater to diverse client needs.



TRAVEL & TOURISM

LEVEL 1

Hospitality and Tourism

Level 1 Introductory Diploma **(SC)** 1 year

LEVEL 2

Travel and Tourism

Level 2 Extended Certificate **(SC) (TC)** 1 year

Air Cabin Crew

Level 2 Diploma **(SC) (TC)** 1 year

Aviation Environment

Level 2 Diploma **(TC)** 1 year

LEVEL 3

Travel and Tourism

Level 3 Certificate **(SC) (TC)** 2 years

Hotel Manager

Salary Range: £30,000 - £60,000

Cabin Crew

Salary Range: £19,000 - £28,000

Airport Baggage Handler

Salary Range: £21,000 - £28,000

Air Traffic Controller

Salary Range: £46,000 to £100,000

"I really enjoyed the Travel and Tourism course. Everyone was friendly and treated me the same. They were also really understanding of my special needs, which made me feel more confident. It helped me learn new skills and make friends. I'd definitely recommend it to others!"

Emily Hicks - Travel and Tourism Student of the Year 2025

Level 1

Hospitality and Tourism Level 1 Introductory Diploma (SC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at grade 2 including maths and English plus two other subjects
- Successful attendance at transition day

Level 2

Travel and Tourism Level 2 Extended Certificate (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 3 to include English and maths (alternatives can be discussed with tutor)

Aviation Environment Level 2 Diploma (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- Four GCSEs at Grade 3 to include English and maths
- Ability to work to a Level 2 standard in maths and English
- Confident to work independently, stand up and present using a microphone to project voice
- A passion for aviation

Air Cabin Crew Level 2 Diploma (SC) (TC) 1 year

Entry Requirements:

- It is more beneficial if you are at least 17 years old to start this programme, however each case will be reviewed individually
- Level 1 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 3 - to include English and maths (alternatives can be discussed with tutor)

Level 3

Travel and Tourism Level 3 Certificate (SC) (TC) 2 years

Entry Requirements:

- Level 2 qualification or GCSEs x 4 at grade 4 - to include English and maths



COURSE LEVELS AND PROGRESSION ROUTES



FURTHER EDUCATION

ENTRY

**ECACHE 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 3-1;
Foundation Certificates;
National Vocational Qualification (NVQ) level 1; OCR Nationals level 1; Diplomas level 1; Introductory Certificate/ Diploma.

This level builds on the basic level of understanding to develop the ability to apply learning to everyday situations. It usually leads to semi-skilled work, the ability to carry out routine work.

LEVEL 2

INTERMEDIATE
GCSE grades 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
T Levels; 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.

HIGHER EDUCATION

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 which involves 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
Master's 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.

PROGRESSION TO UNIVERSITY CENTRE SOUTH ESSEX



South Essex Colleges Group is proud to offer a wide range of degrees and higher education qualifications awarded by leading institutions, including University of East Anglia, University of the Arts London, The Open University, City & Guilds and Pearson.

A higher education qualification from UCSE will equip you for career success with our strong employment focus and industry links. Qualifications are all about preparing you for your future. Our close links with employers help us ensure our curriculum reflects what is expected in an industry – giving you a head start in the jobs race. Our tutors have a wealth of experience and maintain close links with companies in Britain and abroad. Many of our programmes place an emphasis on practical learning, so not only do you get the qualifications you need to enter your chosen career but you can expect to gain plenty of work experience too.

- Direct progression routes from FE to HE
- Career-focused degrees
- Flexibility and convenience
- Supportive, safe and nurturing environment



For more information: www.southessex.ac.uk/he

PROGRESSION TO HIGHER TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS (HTQS)



HTQs have been developed by awarding bodies, who have worked with employers and businesses to make sure that learners get the specific training, knowledge and skills they need for their chosen career.

WHAT CAN A HTQ DO FOR ME?

- A HTQ offers you the opportunity to take a high-quality Level 4 or 5 qualification that has been specifically designed with employers to meet their needs.
- This means that HTQs can unlock high-skilled, highly-paid jobs that you can jump straight into.
- There are also often clear pathways to progress to further study from HTQs for those that want to pursue a degree.

HTQS ARE FOR YOU IF YOU ARE:

- ✓ Aged 18 and over
- ✓ Looking to retrain or upskill
- ✓ Focused on gaining the knowledge and practical experience needed for a skilled job
- ✓ A more practical learner
- ✓ Excited about studying an employer-led course
- ✓ Interested in progressing to further study or training



More information: www.southessex.ac.uk/higher-technical-qualifications

PROGRESSION TO SOUTH EAST INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



INDUSTRY SUBJECTS AVAILABLE:

- Business
- Construction
- Digital
- Engineering and Automation
- Health and Life Sciences
- Logistics

Through a partnership of several colleges, universities and employers, South Essex Colleges Group is able to offer you a range of courses and apprenticeships created specifically for entry into several prominent industries.

Covering areas such as Engineering and Automation through to Business and Health Sciences, these courses have been designed alongside employers to offer you the best opportunity to progress into these rapidly developing fields.

By studying a course with the SEIoT you will have access to state-of-the-art equipment and teaching facilities.

Our curriculum has been developed with input from industry specialists to ensure that you are armed with the skills and knowledge that are relevant and valuable to employers.

More information:
www.southessex.ac.uk/south-east-institute-of-technology



COURSES OFFERED:

- Accounting and Finance** BSc (Hons)
- AIM Person Centred Counselling Level 4
- Animation BA Hons
- Applied Sport and Exercise Science BSc (Hons)
- Art and Design Foundation Level 4
- Certificate in Education (CertEd)
- Costume Construction BA Hons
- Counselling BA Hons
- Creative Media & Promotion BA Hons
- Criminology & Forensic Investigation BSc Hons
- Early Years Care and Education BA (Hons)
- Film & Television Production BA Hons
- Fine Art BA Hons
- Games Design BSc Hons
- Graphic Design & Illustration* BA Hons
- Hair and Makeup Design and Application for Production** BA (Hons) Top Up
- Hair and Makeup Design and Application for Production FdA
- Interior & Spatial Design BA Hons
- Mental Health and Well-Being** FdSc
- Performing Arts (Acting Pathway) HND
- Performing Arts** BA Hons (Top Up)
- Photography BA Hons
- Public Services (Policing) HNC
- Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (FE and Skills Sector) PgCE
- Psychology & Criminology BSc (Hons)
- Psychology & Sociology BSc (Hons)
- Special Educational Needs and Disability Studies BA (Hons)

*Subject to validation | **Subject to revalidation

HIGHER TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS (HTQS)

Engineering / Construction

- Automation and Control for England Level 4
- Construction Management for England Level 4/5
- Mechatronics for England Level 4/5

Sport

- Community Coaching for England Level 4

Health

- Healthcare Professions Support for England Level 5

IT

- Computing for England (Network Engineering) Level 4/5
- Digital Technologies (Cybersecurity) Level 4/5
- Digital Technologies (Data Analytics) Level 4/5

Business

- Leadership and Management for England Level 4/5

Early Years

- Early Years Senior Practitioner Level 5

UCSE OPEN EVENTS:

- 4 October 2025 - Forum
- 29 November 2025 - HHPP
- 10 January 2026 - Forum
- 18 March 2026 - Forum (Evening)
- 21 May 2026 - Uni Fair (Luker Road)



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BASILDON

**LUCKYN LANE, BASILDON,
SS14 3AX, 5-7PM:**

9 October 2025 | 29 January 2026

5-6PM:

31 March 2026

**STEPHENSON ROAD,
SOUTHEND, SS9 5LY, 5-7PM:**

11 November 2025 | 3 February 2026

5-6PM:

16 April 2026

**COLLEGE WAY, BASILDON,
SS14 1DF, 5-7PM:**

21 October 2025 | 10 February 2026

5-6PM:

29 April 2026



SOUTHEND CITY

LUKER ROAD, SOUTHEND, SS1 1ND, 5-8PM:

25 September 2025 | 14 January 2026

5-7PM:

12 March 2026



THURROCK

HIGH STREET, GRAYS, RM17 6TF, 5-8PM:

1 October 2025 | 7 January 2026

5-7PM:

25 March 2026



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