



KIDDERMINSTER
COLLEGE



24/25
**Full time
Prospectus**

What's inside?

Student Benefits

Students studying at any of our colleges benefit from the NCG Guarantee. This guarantee gives all our students access to a range of tools and initiatives centred around a core set of principles. Our courses, additional support services and enrichment activities will equip you with a wider set of skills, all of which aim to make you more employable.

Put simply, the NCG Guarantee gives students access to additional activities, resources, and initiatives to help you achieve your ambitions and career goals.

The NCG Guarantee is centred around:

■ Employability ■ Community ■ Enterprise ■ Mental Fitness ■ Digital

Throughout your time with us you will be involved in a range of projects and initiatives focused on these principles. Coupled with excellent teaching and learning, you will complete your course with a unique set of skills which help set you up for your future.

Important Info

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You may be required to study English and Maths alongside your course. Course content is indicative, and we reserve the right to make changes where necessary. We encourage you to confirm all information contained within this prospectus with Kidderminster College's Student Services at 01562 512003 or studentservices@kidderminster.ac.uk



Kidderminster College is proud to be part of NCG, one of the country's leading college groups.

We are one of seven colleges across the country that make up NCG, meaning we're a key part of providing education and training to learners, apprentices, and employers across the UK.

Together, we share expertise, support each other to innovate and accomplish real change for individuals, communities, and economies across the country.

Welcome to #TeamKC



At Kidderminster College, our students are very much at the heart of everything that we do. We know that you have dreams and aspirations, and our job is simple; to give you the best possible chance of achieving your ambitions.

We offer a wide range of technical and vocational courses, with students able to access some of the very best learning facilities in the area. The college is part of NCG, one of the largest education and training providers in the UK which means you will also benefit from the technology and resources of a much bigger organisation, alongside the ability to engage with fellow students across the UK.

Once you are here, you will find yourself surrounded by energetic, enthusiastic, dedicated staff and you will experience creative teaching, a focus on skills and innovation and the links with employers that will prepare you for the jobs of the future. Our wide range of support services and additional enrichment opportunities will also help prepare you to be the best version of you.

Kidderminster College is a friendly place, where you are free to be yourself. You'll be challenged to achieve your best, but you'll also be given the best possible support to do that.

The #TeamKC sense of community, along with our focus on delivering outstanding student experience and outcomes, is why I believe we'll be a great choice for you.

I look forward to welcoming you to the college very soon.

Cat Lewis

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This is Kidderminster College

WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE KIDDERMINSTER COLLEGE?

Town Centre Campus

We're perfectly located in the heart of Kidderminster, which is not only well placed for the local cafes, canal walk and shopping centres, across from the Town Hall, you really will be in the centre of everything here.

A Different Learning Environment

Being a smaller college, we're able to concentrate on both supporting you and helping you find your place in the world. With a real sense of supportive community, #TeamKC provides the perfect next step for students making that sometimes daunting step to higher education or straight into the workplace. We place huge focus on you as a person. You are not a number! You are the next generation and the future! We're the first to be independent. You will get to meet new people, join a new community, and get a change in scenery, and confidence for when you take the next steps!

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Wide Range of Courses

With 16 key subject areas and over 74 different courses on offer, ranging from Childcare, Animal Care to Art and Design and Music, we will have something for you. If you're uncertain about what route your future is going to take, then we have a huge variety of support on hand to assist you in finding that subject that will make you want to get up in the mornings.

Specialist Facilities

Designed to inspire you to succeed, our state-of-the-art facilities provide the perfect environment for you to truly push yourself and carve out a career in your chosen area.

With our recording studios, IT and Apple suites, fully equipped theatre, professional workshops, high-class salon, kitted-out classrooms, expert acting and dance studios and our partnership with West Midland Safari Park and Kidderminster Harriers, you really don't need to look any further for a top-notch learning experience.

Collaboration

Throughout your time at Kidderminster College, you'll have some amazing opportunities to collaborate with other course areas, enhancing your team-building skills and boosting your confidence; essential skills for the real world and tackling whatever life decides to throw at you.

Dedicated, World-Class Tutors

Our staff are in a league of their own; industry-recognised, with a huge wealth of knowledge and contacts. Our tutors provide next-level creative teaching, excellent learning, and a compassionate support system. Passionate, enthusiastic and experts in their area, our staff are what make our courses a success and will help at every turn for you to plan your future.

The Point



The Point provides a one stop shop for employers to recruit new staff or re-train and up skill their existing employees. This innovative centre offers training and upskilling for the local business community – designed and delivered with employers' needs in mind and in response to any growing demand across any workforce sector in the region.

The Point offers an all-year-round service; rather than fitting into the college academic year, which means employers can come to us at any time for short courses, top-up courses and to up-skill staff who are taking on new roles.

We Celebrate Success

At our Annual Awards Evening, we recognise the academic and personal achievements of our students and staff. It is a chance for us to celebrate your successes with you, your family, and your friends. Thinking outside the box, excellent attendance, effort, skills, and creativity are all recognised during the prestigious evening! We believe your achievements and progression are worth shouting about and celebrating!

Entertainment

Our Creative Industries students provide some amazing entertainment throughout the year. Music gigs, Acting, Dance, Musical Performance events and shows are publicised around the college and on the website with many events available for free or at discounted prices!

Progression

From Level 1 right through to HND, we have you covered here at Kidderminster College. If Higher Education isn't for you, we have excellent apprenticeship opportunities and a renowned reputation for placing students straight into employment.

FIND YOUR PLACE AT #TEAMKC



Our Campuses & Facilities

Kidderminster College Campus

Our main campus has everything you could want and more! An impressive building with its glass-covered central atrium, specialist facilities, fantastically equipped classrooms, state-of-the-art music studios, fully kitted workshops, performance spaces and even a bespoke grow room.

Our main campus is the base for our college-level courses (16-19 years), our HND courses (post 18) and recreational and part-time courses.

Centre of Sporting Excellence

Kidderminster College have partnered with The Kidderminster Harriers Academy at their impressive Centre of Sporting Excellence.

With access to six football pitches, a 'trophy' pitch, and a strength and conditioning gym spread over 40 acres of land, the CoSE is a one-stop shop for all your football and coaching needs!

Based out on the outskirts of Kidderminster, it's a short walk from our campus.

Safari Academy

We're the only college in the UK to be partnered with West Midlands Safari Park, offering you a once-in-a-lifetime experience. You'll be learning all the essentials at their Safari Academy, from mucking out the elephants to learning about wildlife conservation, we can't think of a better environment to build your future in!

Construction and Automotive Green Technology Centre

Our new Construction and Automotive Green Technology Centre encompasses all the essentials for mastering a diverse range of crafts, including vehicle re-spraying booths, a functional workers' yard, and workshops tailored to accommodate our hands-on courses in the Trade and Motor-vehicle sector. Positioned on the Stourport Road, the Green Construction and Automotive Green Centre enjoys convenient proximity to both the central campus and the town, merely a brief car ride away.

Elements Salon

It'll come as no surprise that Kidderminster College has its very own award-winning hair and beauty salon! Hair and Beauty students are given valuable, first-hand experience in a working salon which is open to the Kidderminster public, staff, and students. Offering fantastic hair and beauty treatments at discounted rates, Elements will not only train you to be an expert in your field, but you have the chance of getting your nails done in-between tutorials.

FLYKC Air Cabin

Our cabin installation's pivotal purpose is to enhance the opportunities for our Tourism and Hospitality students. In this competitive job market, it's a great way to stay one step ahead of the competition by gaining practical experience in a very real environment.

KC Theatre

With professional-grade equipment supplied by Music Tribe and fully staffed by highly qualified technicians, our Theatre is in a league of its own. With regular shows, masterclasses and performances, the Theatre is always a hub of activity. It doesn't stop there. With the ability to put on catwalks and shows, moveable lighting rigs and speakers, our Theatre's facilities spill out into the rest of the college and local area.

Acting & Dance Studios

Our dedicated studios are in constant use; rehearsals, practical tutorials, and assessments; our top spec studios are where you will practice and hone your craft. Providing a professional rehearsal environment, our studios will set you up for the role of your lifetime.

Digital Hub

Here at Kidderminster College, we have some of the best media facilities across the region, including a brand-new Digital Hub, Gaming room, Apple Suite, live 3D set placement and real-time internet event streaming capabilities.

With a media newsroom, top spec technology including media cameras, recording equipment, and editing facilities, whether it be games design or media production, you'll be let loose on industry-grade equipment, giving you that essential edge when it comes to breaking into the industry.





Student Services

Careers Service

Our Careers Advisor provides impartial and individual support with career planning or progression to higher education because sometimes you need a bit of assistance to get such a huge plan in place! A comprehensive careers service is available on a drop-in basis, providing a wide range of course guides, higher education prospectuses and career information. The college works with local partners to offer a range of services to help you consider your employment goals and works with you to maximise your opportunities and potential.

We are here to help you with:

- Application forms
- Letter writing
- CVs
- Career planning
- Employment and volunteer opportunities
- UCAS applications



Last year the Careers Team achieved re-accreditation of The Matrix Standard which is a unique quality standard for organisations to assess and measure their advice and support services. They're here to support individuals in their choice of career, learning and life goals!

Student Voice

Kidderminster College believes strongly in listening to students. The College actively seeks feedback through a variety of means. Also, every year, the students elect a Student Governor who sits on the College Board and Course Representatives who meet with college staff to put forward views and concerns of their peers. Get involved! "Your College, Your Voice!"

Enrichment

We have an incredible Enrichment Officer who organises events, extracurricular activities, key awareness days, clubs, college trips and societies throughout the academic year, giving you opportunities to get involved, get more informed and make the most of this exciting stage in your life.

Equality & Diversity

At Kidderminster College, we're committed to promoting and developing equality of opportunity. In every aspect of college life, we provide and promote an inclusive environment for all.

Individual differences are celebrated and valued at #TeamKC. We are totally opposed to any form of discrimination, including discrimination on the basis of race, age, disability, gender, religion, belief, sexual orientation, and gender reassignment.

Staff, students, partners, and all visitors to the college are entitled to be able to work and study in a safe, non-threatening and non-discriminatory environment.

If you feel that you, or someone that you know, may have been treated unfairly, please contact the Safeguarding Team at stayingsafe@kidderminster.ac.uk

Student Experience Centre

The new Student Experience Centre is a vibrant hub of activity and opportunity on our campus. This modern facility offers students a place where they can study, collaborate on projects, or simply unwind...



Welfare Service/ Pastoral Support

As mentioned, we support you through any difficult times. We have members of staff who are available for you to chat with/talk things through. We work with local organisations to ensure you have the most accurate information about what is available to you in times of need.

Financial Help/ Bursaries

We have some very experienced staff on hand to provide you with the information about what grants, bursaries and travel subsidies are available to you during your time at Kidderminster College. We can also advise you and assist you in budgeting if you chose to progress to Higher Education.

Sustainability

At Kidderminster College, we are committed to implementing sustainable development through our management of resources, the learning opportunities we provide and our engagement with the local community. By doing this we aim to embrace sustainable development and support our community and partners with their sustainability activities.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding young people and adults considered vulnerable is the responsibility of everyone at #TeamKC. All college staff attend training and are committed to ensuring that = our students are in the safest environment possible.

If you are worried about a particular situation, whether it be at home or in college, or if you are concerned about another student, you need to speak to someone straight away.

You can email our Safeguarding Team at stayingsafe@kidderminster.ac.uk or talk to a member of staff that you trust.

We reject radicalisation and are determined to challenge it. We aim to foster shared values and encourage integration across cultures and faiths to safeguard children and adults from being drawn into extremism and illegal/terrorist activity.



Learning Support

Supporting and encouraging our students in a friendly, professional, and confident manner is a top priority for us at KC. We have specialist staff on hand to provide help and support to students with a wide range of needs and disabilities, including:

- Autistic Spectrum Disorder
- Hearing or visual impairment
- ADHD
- Medical conditions
- Auditory processing difficulties
- Mental health difficulties
- Dyslexia
- Difficulties with mobility
- Dyspraxia
- Reading, writing or numeracy needs
- Dyscalculia
- Study skills
- Assignment support

We identify your learning needs, whether you need techniques to manage your dyslexia, help in organising your workload and meeting deadlines or support in achieving your grade goals, we organise appropriate support and review this regularly to make sure that your needs are constantly being met. We work closely with you each step of the way to make sure your personal strategy suits you and helps you achieve your ambitions.

Our Learning Support team can also arrange for exam access arrangements to be put in place for you e.g. extra time, a reader, scribe, use of a PC/Laptop, separate room, rest breaks, and a prompt to help you keep focused. This will depend on the assessment results.

Apprenticeships

**LOOKING FOR A DIFFERENT ROUTE INTO THE WORLD OF WORK?
THEN TAKE A LOOK AT KC APPRENTICESHIPS!**



An Apprenticeship is a real job with training. You will receive both on and off-the-job training which will typically involve attending college for up to one day per week. By the end of your Apprenticeship, you'll have gained the knowledge, skills and experience needed to either succeed in your chosen career or progress onto the next Apprenticeship.

Earn & Learn

One of the great things about being an apprentice, is you earn whilst you learn. You'll earn at least National Minimum Wage whilst you train. The minimum wage is £5.28 per hour, and this increases every April.

Duration

You'll be on a contract of employment with your employer, so you'll work for at least 30 hours per week, this includes any time spent training at the college or in the workplace.

Apprenticeships typically last between 1-4 years depending on the level and standard. Many of our Apprentices progress through the apprenticeship levels.

Requirements

Apprenticeships are available to anyone over the age of 16 living in England.

There are different entry requirements depending on the sector, job and Apprenticeship programme, so take a look at the sort of Apprenticeships we have on offer and contact our KC Apprenticeships Team for more information.

College Days

Apprenticeships are a mixture of "on" and "off" the job training. You'll usually be in college for up to one day a week, the rest of the time you'll be based at your workplace.

English & maths

It is expected that Apprentices will continue improving their maths and English throughout their apprenticeship.

Depending on your current qualification level you may need to complete functional skills lessons/exams or continue to improve without undertaking any additional formal qualifications.

Levels Explained

Intermediate: This is a Level 2 Apprenticeship and is equivalent to five GCSE grades 4-9

Advanced: An advanced Apprenticeship is equivalent to two A-Level passes

To find out more, contact our KC Apprenticeships Teams at thepoint@kidderminster.ac.uk or head over to our website and fill out an enquiry form.

KC offer a variety of Apprenticeships:

- Assistant Accountant
- Carpentry and Joinery
- Installation Electrician and Maintenance Electrician
- Business Administrator
- Property Maintenance Operative
- Autocare Technician
- Bricklayer



Vocational Education

What is a Vocational Qualification?

Vocational courses combine practical learning alongside theory; so, they're perfect if you have a more hands-on approach to learning.

A vocational course is a training programme which focuses more on practical work, rather than traditional academic exams. The 'Vocational' part of the name refers to the fact that this course prepares you for a vocation – a particular skill set required in different types of jobs.

So, rather than choosing three subject areas as you would with A-Levels, vocational courses allow you to specialise in one area; this means that you will get devoted time, expertise, and industry knowledge on that one subject that sparks your interest, giving you the ultimate edge when it comes to seeking employment.

What if I want to go to Uni?

Despite what you may have heard, vocational courses are a sure-fire way to get into university! Think about it, instead of spending two years on three separate subjects, you spend two to three years concentrating on one specialism, which gives your skills a huge edge compared to someone who has done A-Levels. All of our Level 3 qualifications carry UCAS points! (KC run HND and Degree level courses, so if that's the route you decide to take, we've got you!)

Vocational or Academic?

There is no wrong option! It's all about what you want to do, what you're passionate about and how you see your future. A lot of parents and learners assume that taking a traditionally 'academic' route is the path to career success, but it isn't always!

Vocational qualifications allow you to learn by doing, so you'll be able to put what you learn straight into practice.

With vocational qualifications you learn from industry-renowned tutors, you'll be taught in a work environment, you'll become an expert in your field, and you'll learn the ins and outs of your career sector before you even got there.

Let's talk levels

Vocational qualifications run via levels; what level you begin at depends on a) what grade you're currently working at and b) whether you're going into a practical course like Carpentry or Motor Vehicle Maintenance for example. If you're starting a course which requires specific skills, you'll begin your journey with us at Level 1, where you'll start learning the basics of your chosen trade and begin upskilling as our course progresses.

You can enter at any point based on what career you're looking for and your prior qualifications.

▶ Entry Level

This does what it says on the tin. Doing one of our Entry Progression Level courses opens the gateway to our technical vocational courses. Completing an Entry Level qualification is the same as getting three to four GCSEs in grades 3-1.

▶ Level 1

This is where your career starts! For our practical qualifications, this is the all-important starter level where you'll learn the basics of your trade/profession. This level is all about helping you build confidence and getting you ready for further learning and work.

▶ Level 2

Generally, this is the level you should start on if you have achieved four GCSEs at grade 3/D or above, or equivalent qualifications at pass level. Some courses will require certain grades in Maths and English. Equivalent to four or five GCSEs at grade A* to C.

▶ Level 3

This is the level you can study on if you have passed four/five plus GCSEs at grade C or above, or equivalent qualifications at pass level. Like A-Levels, vocational courses are a route to higher education; most university-level courses accept a Level 3 qualification as an entry. In short, Level 3 carries UCAS points as well as showing you are work ready! And our Level 3 Trade courses carry a licence to practice as well, so you can go straight into work!

▶ Level 4 & 5

KC run some incredible HE courses; with lower tuition fees, smaller class sizes and the ability to stay local, our Higher Education provision is not to be missed! These vocational qualifications are equivalent to a Foundation Degree.

▶ Level 6

And finally, here is Level 6+! If you continue with us to Level 6+ you'll leave with a university-recognised honours degree in your subject area! We are one of the few colleges in the country that are able to offer this provision!



Work Experience/ Industry Placements

Here at Kidderminster College, we strive to provide a solid foundation for your future...

Installing confidence and experience as well as helping you develop essential skill sets that will set you apart when it comes to pursuing your dream career.

As part of all the courses we offer at #TeamKC, you'll be able to gain a work experience appointment or industry placement via our expert Work Experience Team.

We place a huge emphasis on work experience and industry placements for a variety of reasons.

Practical Application

- Taking on a placement will give you a taster of how people work together within your chosen industry, how things get done and how work-life differs from school or college
- You will see first-hand how important good English, Maths and IT skills are in the workplace
- You can 'test-dive' your chosen career, finding out whether it is as you imagined, whether it would suit you and the training needed to achieve your end goal
- You'll find out which work activities you enjoy, and which you don't and help you tailor your career path

Absorb New Skills

- You will develop useful skills such as communication, team working, planning and organising, timekeeping and problem-solving
- You'll learn how well you can cope in a new environment, working alongside people you don't know
- It will help build your confidence and give you the opportunity to take responsibility for yourself

Improve your Employability

- It will give you something to put on your CV and in job or course applications
- It will show that you are motivated to develop yourself and learn new things
- It'll give you something to talk about in interviews, particularly if you haven't done any paid work previously

We have a dedicated team who work with local businesses and groups to secure pivotal work placements and positions within the wide community, making sure that when that dream job comes along, you're ready to take it.



Fees & Financial Support

19+ Education

It is now government policy for all 19+ learners to increase their financial contribution towards the cost of their education and training. The impact of this is being felt in colleges nationally – this has forced all colleges to introduce charges. There are some instances where 19+ learners do not have to pay tuition fees; we strongly recommend calling our Student Services team on 01562 512003 to find out whether you fall into this exemption.

Advanced Learner Loan

If you are aged over 19 and embarking on a Level 3 study course, you must pay the full course tuition fees. However, you may be entitled to an Advanced Learner Loan which you are only required to pay back once you gain employment and are earning more than £27,925.00 per year. To find out if you are eligible for an Advanced Learner Loan or to apply today, visit Student Loan Company website www.slc.co.uk

Tuition Fees

You may NOT have to pay fees if you are:

- Aged between 16-18 years old
- Are aged 19-23 and are studying for your first full Level 2 or first full Level 3 qualification
- Are in receipt of Job Seekers Allowance (JSA) or Employment Support Allowance (ESA) in a Work Related Activity Group
- Are unemployed and require skills training in order to enter into work. Please note that to be exempt you must apply for Entry Level and Level 2 courses.

You MUST pay tuition fees if you are:

- Aged over 19 and none of the above applied to you
- Entering a Level 3+ qualification. An annual fee, starting from £1,200.00 is payable if you do not fit into the exempt criteria. This figure can be subject to change and is dependent upon the level and subject you wish to study/ if you are enrolling on a two-year course you will have to pay a fee* at the commencement of year one and at the commencement of year two.

* Fees are subject to change and are reviewed annually.

Useful Contacts

#TeamKC information, advice
& guidance **01562 512025**

Student Finance England
www.sfengland.slc.co.uk

Student Loans Company
www.slc.co.uk

UCAS **www.ucas.ac.uk**

HE Tuition Fee Loans

Every new learner is entitled to a Tuition Fee Loan (from Student Finance England) of up to £9,250.00 to cover tuition fees. This is not repayable until you are earning more than £27,925.00 a year.

Maintenance Loan

You can receive up to £12,382, depending on your household income, where you are living and what you are studying. The basic rate of a Maintenance Loan (65% of the maximum rate) doesn't depend on your household income - the remaining 35% does. This is not repayable until you are earning over £25,000.00 per year.

Extra help may be available for:

- Students on low income.
- Students with children or dependant adults.
- Disabled students.

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON FINANCE
& LOANS AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS GO
TO [WWW.GOV.UK/STUDENT-FINANCE/
OVERVIEW](http://WWW.GOV.UK/STUDENT-FINANCE/OVERVIEW)**



Student Success Stories

Ollie Powell



Ollie joined Kidderminster College through The Point Business Centre after seeing a Property Maintenance Operative Apprenticeship advertised online. Since joining, he's learnt from many experienced people, which improves his confidence and skills every day. His employer, a local school in Stourbridge, said that "recruiting an Apprentice for our Grounds Person was ideal. With experienced colleagues who are able to help support and train an Apprentice and with the current skills shortage, this seemed an ideal offering." Ollie has since gone on to win Apprentice of the Year in Property Maintenance Operative at our annual Student and Employer Awards.

Kai Lissimore



Kai chose to study at Kidderminster College because the balancing of football and education appealed to him. With the support of his tutors and the resources available to him, he was able to pass his exams, meaning he could focus on football. He found he's been able to make new connections that will help him with his career. During his time at college, he was also signed to the Kidderminster Harriers First Team, with his contract extended until the end of the 2024 season.

Amy Turner



Amy Turner decided to go back to college as a mature student, studying Carpentry Level 2. As a gay, mature, disabled woman going into a male-dominated department, "it was a bit nerve-racking to start off with", however, she enjoyed every minute of it. "No one has treated me any differently and I have been made to feel welcome from the start". Since completing her Diploma, she has now started a job at Kidderminster College in the Carpentry department.

Bradley Rodenhurst



We spoke to Bradley during National Apprenticeship Week to see how he's been doing since completing his Carpentry apprenticeship. Bradley, originally having studied Carpentry as a full-time course, then undertook an apprenticeship to further improve his skills. Whilst completing his apprenticeship he said, "By mixing with all groups of different ages, it has helped improve my confidence. I'll work with 60-year-olds and attend college with 17-year-olds, so it's a wide range of experiences". Since completing his apprenticeship, he's now started a Carpentry Level 2 qualification to improve his skills even further.

Aimee Morgan



Aimee chose to study for a higher education degree in Animal Management at Kidderminster College while she was raising two kids and juggling work on top. She enjoyed the variety of different lessons, and the placements she completed, which had "been a great experience and have allowed me to gain enough work experience to get a job". She was able to get a job on a farm before her degree was completed and was also awarded HE Student of the Year at our annual Student and Employer Awards.



How to apply

1. Make your choice

Take a look at our courses and decide which one inspires you the most; we always say to go for something you enjoy; something you're passionate about, so have a look and decide what really stands out to you, have a think about how you'd like your future to look.

3. Confirm your place

Once you've decided what course you'd like to study with us, pop over to our website and hit that apply button! You'll be asked to make an account and to fill out our easy online application form. If you could fill this in as much as possible, that would be great as it really helps us stay in touch with you and make sure you get as much support as possible during your time with us.

2. Head online and fill out our application form

Once you've decided what course you'd like to study with us, pop over to our website and hit that apply button! You'll be asked to make an account and to fill out our easy online application form. If you could fill this in as much as possible, that would be great as it really helps us stay in touch with you and make sure you get as much support as possible during your time with us.

4. Welcome to Kidderminster College

You're in! Once you've confirmed your place, we'll send you a Welcome Passport which has everything you need to know about starting at KC. We also send out regular emails and social media updates so you can keep an eye on what we've been up to!



Study Programme

Here at #TeamKC, we want you to leave us not only with your chosen qualification, but with essential life-skills, knowledge and know-how to handle anything that life throws at you!

It's a big world out there and we want you to find your place in it with ease and confidence. You'll be involved in development, behaviour and welfare tutorials each week throughout the year. During these tutorials you'll take part in sessions on:

- Being safe in college
- Enterprise and business creation
- Sexual health
- Spotting fake news
- Online safety
- Mortgages, bank accounts and financial life after college
- How to handle an interview
- Mental health and wellbeing
- Managing your finances
- Managing your own progress

English and maths at KC

Didn't get the GCSE English and maths grades you were hoping for? It's frustrating. Don't worry. We've got you covered.

Here at #Team KC you will get the opportunity to develop your maths and English skills - both in your chosen course and in timetabled English and maths sessions.

You will benefit from: smaller class sizes, specialist subject teachers and receive lots of individual feedback to help you succeed.

Our friendly and experienced English and maths team are here to support you every step of the way to getting that essential maths and/or English qualification. You know this will help you to: get a better job, earn more, get promotions, study further and much more...

You can look forward to making great progress in English and maths; we look forward to supporting you to achieve your potential.



Higher Education

KCHE Higher Education

KC understands that moving away to go to university is not for everyone, so we've created KCHE, our Higher Education provision which offers a credible alternative to university. Joining KCHE allows you to obtain university qualifications without the associated costs of moving away from home.

Our courses are led by industry-active specialises who are committed to delivering the upmost professional levels of tuition and training. KCHE host a strong roster of lecturers with a diverse range of technical knowledge and practical experience.



Reasons to join KCHE

Location: It can be overwhelming to adjust to not only living with a completely new set of people but in an unknown city. Studying locally means you can stay connected with your friends and family. You'll already be familiar with your surroundings as well, so you'll know all the best places to grab a sandwich or a coffee!

Lower Costs: Alongside the advantage of not having to pay accommodation fees, you'll spend less on travel as well! This, on top of our lower course fees, means you'll be able to start saving for your next step after KCHE.

Small Lecture Sizes: Small lecture sizes mean you will benefit from a much more personalised learning approach; you'll have more devoted one-on-one time with your tutor and get to know your fellow students better.

Specialise Tutors: Here at KCHE, you'll be taught by industry professionals who are still active in their field. So, you'll be learning insider knowledge from the best! You can find out more about them by heading to our Staff Profile Page.

Off-Peak Timetables: We understand that squeezing everything in over the course of the day can be tough, so KCHE offers off-peak timetables, which not only help with travel but fit around life in general, meaning you'll get the perfect work-life-study balance here.

Socials: Just because KCHE is small, doesn't mean we scrimp on the socials! That's part of studying Higher Education after all! KCHE hold regular socials and events, so by signing up to KCHE, you'll be joining a community and leaving with friends for life.

Courses

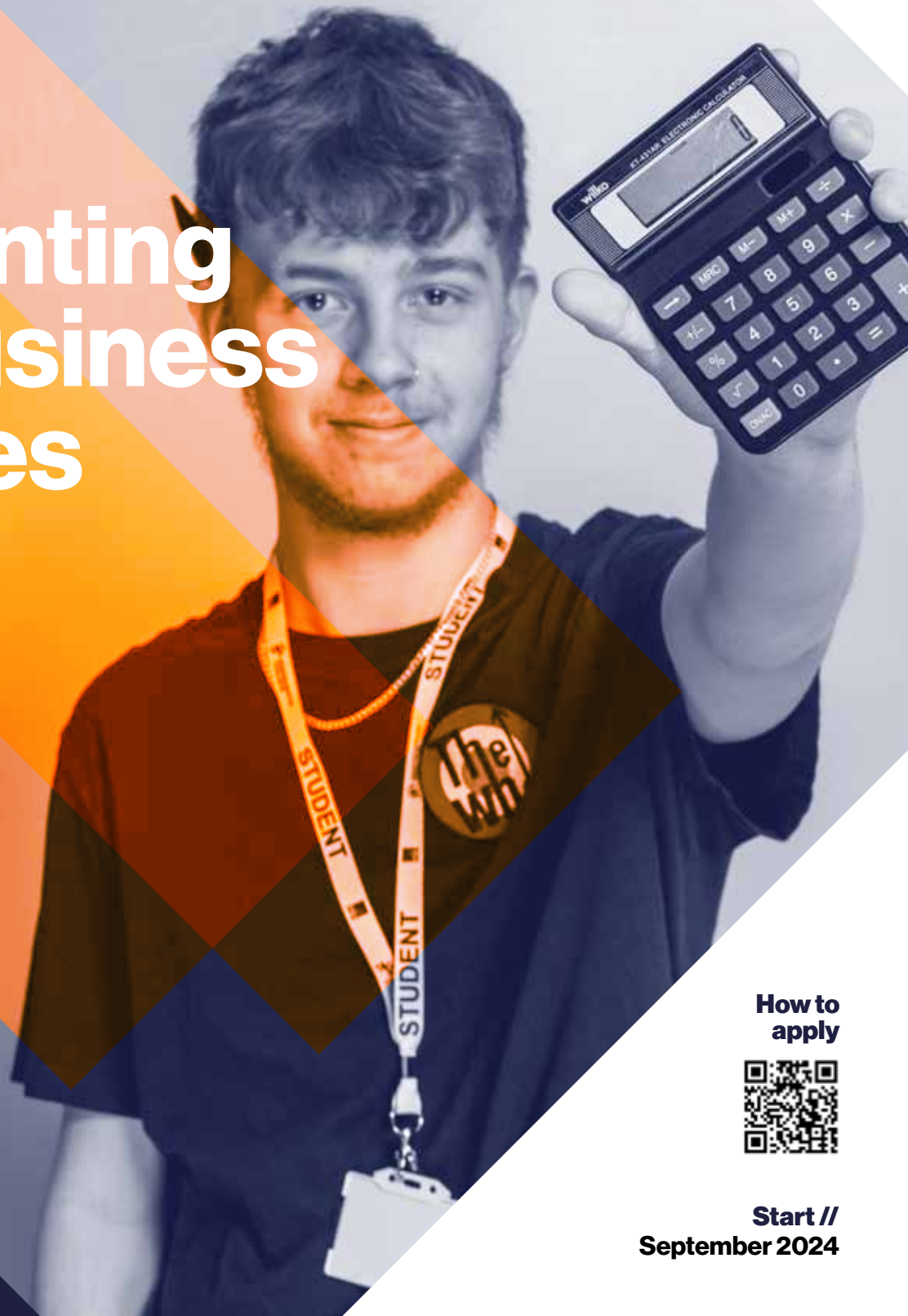
- Music (Performance and Production) HNC/HND
- Dance HNC/HND
- Ba (Hons) Creative Industries Top-Up Degree
- Football Business Management and Coaching FDSC
- Animal Management Foundation Degree
- FdA Tourism and Hospitality
- Construction Management HNC
- Level 5 Teacher Training
- Early Childhood and Care HNC/HND

HE Support

We are committed to providing all of our HE learners with the support, advice and guidance they require to confidently progress onto the next step of their career journey. We will support you with:

- UCAS Applications
- Financial advice and guidance
- Career support
- Life guidance

2024/25 Accounting and Business Courses



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LEVEL 2

Level 2 Certificate in Accounting and Business

This course is suitable for anyone interested in developing transferable professional and personal skills alongside their core accountancy knowledge, the Level 2 AAT 2 Certificate in Accounting aims to help you take your first steps onto a lucrative career ladder by delivering a solid foundation in accounting, covering areas such as double entry bookkeeping and basic costing principles, alongside effective business communications and the relevance of digital software.

The role of an accountant is vast; they record, classify, summarise, interpret, and communicate all the financial information about a business, without which, that business would fail to run. If this sounds like a career you aspire to, read on, and apply today!

What will I learn?

- Introduction to bookkeeping
- Principles of bookkeeping
- Controls principles of costing
- The business environment



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LEVEL 3

AAT Diploma in Accounting

Expanding on the skills acquired in the Level 2 AAT Certificate in Accounting, the Level 3 tier of this qualification drives you to master more complex accounting disciplines. Taking on advanced bookkeeping, final accounts, intricate financial processes and covering the ethical practices for accountants, this course will add to your already impressive CV.

This qualification also covers business awareness, which provides an understanding of the business, its environment, the role of the accounting function and its performance.

What will I learn?

- Business awareness
- Preparing financial statements
- Management accounting techniques
- Tax processes for business



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“I believe that the benefits of being an Apprentice is that you are able to gain real life work experience through learning alongside professionals who are able to help you put the classroom knowledge into practice.”

JESS HOLDEN, AAT APPRENTICE

APPRENTICESHIP

Assistant Accountant

As an Assistant Accountant apprentice, you will provide support to internal and external customers and will work predominately either as an Assistant Accountant within practise or alternatively within the finance function of an organisation.

A minimum of 20% of your contracted hours must be spent in off-the-job training. This is predominantly done one day per week at college but can also include training sessions.

What will I learn?

- Assist in the day-to-day financial activities such as data entry to month-end management accounts and/or year-end financial statements
- Assist in regulatory financial requirements such as the completion of VAT returns or assisting in the preparation of tax computations



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APPRENTICESHIP

Business Administrator

Business Administrators play a vital role in a wide variety of organisations across all industry sectors.

You will be expected to undertake your responsibilities efficiently and with integrity – showing a positive attitude. The role involves demonstrating strong communication skills (both written and verbal) and adopting a proactive approach to developing skills. You will also be expected to show initiative, manage your priorities and your own time, solve problems, make decisions, and develop the potential for people management responsibilities through mentoring or coaching others.

A minimum of 20% of your contracted hours must be spent in off-the-job training. This is predominantly done one day per week at college but can also include training sessions.

What will I learn?

- Gain a highly transferable set of knowledge, skills and behaviours that can be applied in all industry sectors including small and large businesses alike, the public sector, the private sector, and the charitable sector
- Develop, implement, maintain, and improve administrative services.
- Develop key skills and behaviours to support your own progression towards management responsibilities



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2024/25 **Animal and Equine Care Courses**

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LEVEL 1

Animal Care

The Level 1 Diploma in Animal Care is the perfect course for introducing you to all aspects of the land-based sector, with a strong focus on animal care. This course is ideal for anyone with a passion for animals but little experience of working with them. During the course, you'll understand what it's like to work in land-based industries and you'll have the opportunity to care for, feed and clean out a variety of different animals as well as how to maintain their enclosures and work in a clean and safe environment.

This course offers a great balance of both theoretical and practical learning within the unique environment of West Midland Safari Park where impressive animals are never far from the classrooms. For the more confident learners, there is the opportunity to complete work experience, however, employability skills will be taught to all. This course gives you the experience and skills to progress to higher-level courses!

What will I learn?

- Caring for animals
- Animal accommodation
- Animal classification, wildlife & conservation
- Movement and handling of animals
- Animal feedstuffs



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LEVEL 2

Technical Certificate in Animal Care

Our Level 2 Certificate in Animal Care is designed to help you recognise the signs of health, welfare and feeding for various animals. Throughout the course, you will work with a number of different species of animals including, ferrets, goats, reptiles, and chickens. You will also study the care of exotic animals, exploring, sourcing, and transporting the different species and preparing and maintaining appropriate accommodation.

You'll get an introduction to important topics in Animal Care. You can learn things like feeding and handling, looking after accommodation and understanding the health and welfare of a variety of animals. You will also cover the science behind animal behaviour, take part in work experience and have the opportunity to gain valuable, transferable skills.

What will I learn?

- Maintaining animal health and welfare
- Animal feeding and accommodation
- Animal behaviour and handling
- Caring for zoo animals
- British wildlife species, habitats, and rehabilitation



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LEVEL 3

Animal Care

This Level 3 in Animal Management qualification will provide you with a practical and theoretical understanding of animal management. In this course, you'll learn about delivering the highest standards of animal husbandry and handling, animal anatomy, behaviour, and nutrition and how to undertake health checks on an animal using your knowledge of animal health and disease amongst a huge array of other topics and modules.

This course gives you experience with a wide range of animal groups at the amazing Safari Academy and sets you up for lots of different options in the animal industry for your future career.

What will I learn?

- Practical work on the small animal unit and during Estate Skills
- Animal biology
- Animal behaviour and communication
- Legislation on animal management
- Health and Safety
- Animal health, husbandry, and nutrition



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LEVEL 1

Equine Care

This Equine Care Diploma introduces you to the basics of horse care. It's a great stepping stone for people who are keen to work with horses, but don't have previous experience.

You'll spend one day a week at the Sugar Loaf Equestrian Centre and carry out theoretical classes at the college's main campus.

Our expert staff will help you learn skills in handling horses, grooming, general horse care and will carry out weekly riding lessons. There'll also be opportunities to learn about stable management and go on off-site trips.

The college can offer external professional connections who provide placements for work experience alongside completing the course to gain additional industry experience. This course is awarded by The British Horses Society.

What will I learn?

- Feeding and watering
- Grooming and washing
- Cleaning stables
- Principles of riding horses
- Catching and moving horses



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“Thanks to the knowledge I have gained and the experience from the work placements, it has allowed me to gain enough hands-on experience to be able to get a job on a farm.”

AIMEE MORGAN, HIGHER EDUCATION STUDENT IN ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

LEVEL 2

Equine Care

If you already have experience with horses as well as the passion and determination to turn it into a career, then this is the course for you! It will help you to take your existing skills to a professional sphere and prepare you to work in the equine industry.

You'll spend one day a week at the Sugar Loaf Equestrian Centre and carry out theoretical classes at Kidderminster College.

Our expert staff will help you learn skills in handling horses, grooming, general horse care and will carry out weekly riding lessons. There'll also be opportunities to learn about stable management and go on off-site trips. This course is awarded by The British Horses Society.

What will I learn?

- Equine health and welfare
- Horse tack and equipment
- Feeding and watering
- Riding and exercising horses
- Methods of restraint



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LEVEL 3

Equine Care

This qualification specialises in Equine Management and is ideal for anyone who wishes to enter the equine industry, whether that be working within the wider allied equine services, the business sector associated with the industry or working hands-on with horses.

Learning and building on the essentials of working with horses, this qualification will focus on planning and carrying out stable yard operations, horse health care, feeding and nutrition and fitting and evaluating tack and equipment, the biology of horses and principles of equitation.

Over the study period, at Warrens Hall Riding School one day a week you'll acquire further practical skills such as working and exercising horses from the ground, horse presentation skills (grooming, clipping, trimming, and plaiting) and you'll also learn about event management.

What will I learn?

- Principles of Health and Safety
- Undertake and review work-related experience in the land-based industries
- Undertake stable yard operations
- Equine health
- Horse tack and equipment
- Biological systems of horses



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“I liked studying here because my teachers helped me expand my equine knowledge and terminology”

LENNY SMITH, EQUINE

LEVEL 2

Work-Based Animal Care

The aim of this qualification is to provide a work-related, competence-based qualification. It reflects the skills and knowledge needed to do a job effectively and shows that a learner is competent in the area of work the qualification represents.

The course is based upon assignments which are taught at the main Kidderminster College campus on Market Street as well as photo and practical observation which is carried out at Wolverley Animal Centre where you will get the chance to work closely with species including goats, meerkats, rabbits, sugar gliders, poultry, whites tree frogs, a range of reptiles including snakes, tortoises and lizards and invertebrates such as a scorpion and a tarantula.

What will I learn?

- Promote and maintain the health and well-being of animals
- Deliver basic treatments to animals
- Maintain animal accommodation
- Control and restrain animals
- Prepare and provide feed to animals
- Exercise animals such as goats and sheep



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This will give you a vast range of experience that will set you up for industry-based work after completing the Level 3 work-based qualification.

What will I learn?

- Implement, monitor and evaluate plans for the health and welfare of animals
- Plan the diets and feeding regimes for animals
- Animal training programme
- Recognise and interpret the behaviour of animals
- Handling, restraint, and movement of animals

Some of the tasks you'll carry out at WILD Zoological Park include:

- Cleaning, feeding and providing water to the collection of animals at the zoo
- Interacting with members of the public during animal encounter shows
- Accommodation maintenance



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2024/25 Construction Courses

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LEVEL 1

Brickwork

Looking at becoming a brickie? There are so many career paths that come out of having a Brickwork Diploma; whether it be repair work, building houses, restoration work or setting up your own business, the skills you learn are indispensable and form the foundation for a rock-solid career.

If you're practically minded, our Level 1 Brickwork Diploma is the course for you. You'll learn, develop, and practice the basic skills of bricklaying, developing the essential groundwork to become skilled in your chosen trade and a master craftsman.

What will I learn?

- Health and Safety
- Mixing concrete
- Understanding the principles of construction
- How to set out buildings
- Being able to carry out safe working practice
- Building methods and construction
- Basic brick and block laying skills
- Site communication methods



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LEVEL 2

Brickwork

Our Level 2 Brickwork Diploma takes it up a notch: equipping you with more advanced, complex techniques and theoretical know-how. From interpreting working drawings to utilising brickwork and blockwork with steel lintels, the second tier of this practical course is designed to extensively develop both your knowledge and confidence when it comes to the skill set needed for your future career.

Working on-site at our fully kitted out Construction and Automotive Green Centre workshops, you will gain a wealth of hands-on experience with the help of our industry-specialised tutors.

What will I learn?

- Health & Safety
- Principles of construction
- Producing thin joint masonry
- Building solid walling, isolated and attached piers
- Interpreting working drawings to set out masonry structures
- Construct cavity walling forming structural openings



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DID YOU KNOW?

We've got a brand-new Construction and Automotive Green Centre opening this academic year? The centre has designated study spaces as well as workshop spaces with state-of-the-art equipment to help enhance your learning experience!

LEVEL 3

Brickwork

Bricklaying is one of the traditional trades both in the UK and around the world. From constructing traditional buildings to designing modern architectural wonders, bricklaying is an essential and respected trade that offers a world of opportunities.

If you chose to study bricklaying you will learn a variety of skills to enable you to build, repair and maintain the country's housing stock. Whether you're drawn to restoring historic homes to their former glory, crafting sustainable and energy-efficient housing solutions, or contributing to the innovative designs of the future, bricklaying equips you with the tools to bring these visions to life.

Our qualification is aimed at people wishing to enhance the skills they have already learnt in Level 2 Bricklaying, to progress on to becoming skilled in their chosen trade, and work towards becoming a master craftsman.

What will I learn?

- Repair and maintain masonry structures
- Constructing radial and battered brickwork
- Carrying out decorative and reinforced brickwork
- Constructing fireplaces and chimneys



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APPRENTICESHIP

Bricklayer

On the Bricklayer apprenticeship, you will develop the skills necessary to lay bricks, blocks, and other types of building components in mortar to construct and repair walls, foundations, partitions, arches, and other structures, e.g., chimney stacks. You might also refurbish brickwork and masonry on restoration projects.

A minimum of 20% of your contracted hours must be spent in off-the-job training. This is predominantly done one day per week at college but can also include training sessions.

What will I learn?

- Laying bricks, blocks, and other types of building components in mortar to construct
- Repair walls, foundations, partitions, arches, and other structures



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LEVEL 1

Carpentry

Carpentry takes precision, absolute focus, and dedication. These skills will not only get you through any project you put your mind to but can also be utilised and applied to the real world. If you've got the work ethic, then we have the course for you! Skilled carpenters and joiners are always in high demand and this qualification will give you a starting point to pursue a career to launch yourself into the construction sector.

Delivered to criteria set by City & Guilds this course will lay the fundamentals for progressing to Level 2 Carpentry, an apprenticeship or employment, ultimately giving you the confidence and skill set to pursue a rewarding and practical career.

What will I learn?

- Health, safety, and welfare in construction
- The key principles of construction, information, and communication
- Preparing and the use of portable power tools
- Producing woodworking joints
- Maintaining and using carpentry and joinery hand tools



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LEVEL 2

Carpentry

Our Level 2 Carpentry Diploma is designed to push your knowledge and skill set one step further, ensuring that by the end of the course, you have unlocked your potential as a carpenter and have a clear career goal in sight!

Not only will you study practical elements like floor and stair fitting, door framing and mouldings, but you'll also concentrate on the importance of communication on the work site, learn the significance of paying attention to detail and the theoretical and mathematical elements behind plans and work specifications.

What will I learn?

- Advanced Health & Safety procedures
- Essential principles of building
- Fitting of flooring, stairs, and mouldings
- Gathering and implementing second fix operations
- Fitting of door frames and doors
- Setting up and utilising fixed and transportable machinery



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“I chose Kidderminster College as it's close to home, and I saw that they offered the right course for me.”

AMY TURNER, CARPENTRY STUDENT

LEVEL 3

Carpentry

Level 3 Carpentry at Kidderminster College is your gateway to a comprehensive and enriching journey in the world of carpentry. In this advanced programme, you will delve deep into the intricate aspects of carpentry, expanding your knowledge and mastering a wide range of essential skills.

This qualification at Kidderminster College will see you tackle geometry, the fitting of kitchens, roofs, skirting, double doors, flooring, and ironmongery set-up, as well as more complicated repairs and fixes. Alongside this, you'll develop your organisational and people skills, preparing you for supervisory and managerial positions.

This diploma has been designed to develop, enhance, and perfect the skills required to enable you to work at a more advanced level in the construction industry. You'll be honing your craft throughout this qualification, ensuring you're ready to take your next step onto the career ladder.

What will I learn?

- Fitting of mouldings, flooring, and ironmongery
- The set-up and use of woodworking machinery
- Geometry
- Practicing traditional roof cuts
- Tackling more complicated first fix roofing and stairs



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APPRENTICESHIP

Carpentry and Joinery

As a Carpentry and Joinery Apprentice, you will normally either work on a construction site as a Site Carpenter or in a workshop as an Architectural Joiner. Possible future job titles for you include Senior Carpenter, Site Carpenter, Architectural Joiner, Project Manager and more. You may even become a sole trader and run your own business.

You could also specialise in a particular area of construction, for example, heritage restoration.

A minimum of 20% of your contracted hours must be spent in off-the-job training. This is predominantly done one day per week at college but can also include training sessions.

What will I learn?

This is a core and options apprenticeship with two pathways:

Pathway 1: A Site Carpenter will normally work on a construction site, or in domestic and commercial premises, preparing and fixing building components, from the initial erection of a new building through to the installation of all necessary fixtures and fittings, as well as a range of repair and maintenance activities.

Pathway 2: An Architectural Joiner will normally be employed in a workshop producing timber-based building components and other architectural products, such as doors, windows, units, and staircases, which are then transported to construction sites to be installed by site carpenters.



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LEVEL 2

Electrical Installation

The Level 2 Electrical Installation Diploma aims to continue to instil a strong confidence, self-belief and extensive skill set in students. Throughout the course you'll be kept on top of the latest developments in this ever-expanding industry, meaning you will stay ahead within this progressive trade.

On top of work-related activities, which will keep you on top of your game, you'll learn the key elements of communicating within the industry, the importance of customer service and working within a team. You'll also focus on building up a strong arsenal of problem-solving skills and an understanding of electrical science, installation tech and health & safety.

What will I learn?

- Health and Safety in building services
- Principles of electrical science
- Electrical installations technology
- Installation of wiring systems and enclosures
- Communication within the industry



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LEVEL 3

Electrical Installation

Studying the Level 3 Electrical Installation will enable you to develop a deeper understanding of theoretical aspects and practical skills of the electrical industry, aiming to enhance your knowledge of inspection, testing and design.

You will study further electrical principles, environmental awareness, installation, testing and fault diagnosis, expanding your understanding of a range of domestic, commercial, and light industrial installation.

At the end of this practical qualification, you will have specialised knowledge and a specific skill set that most people won't have. You'll be able to solve complex issues, with critical thinking and expertise that you have learned across the Diploma.

What will I learn?

- Environmental awareness
- Electrical principles
- Fault diagnosis
- Inspection and testing
- Electrical system design
- Career awareness



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APPRENTICESHIP

Installation Electrician and Maintenance Electrician

As an Electrician, you will install, maintain, and repair electrical systems in industrial, commercial, and domestic environments. You might work in both indoor and outdoor settings on electrical equipment and systems such as switchboards, motors, cables, fuses, thermal relays, fault current protection switches, heating, lighting, air conditioning and metering equipment as well as crime and fire alarm systems and renewable energy technologies. You'll also be able to work on your own and without immediate supervision in the most efficient and economical manner. You'll contribute to the design of electrical systems and be able to set out jobs from drawings and specifications and requisition the necessary installation materials.

A minimum of 20% of your contracted hours must be spent in off-the-job training. This is predominantly done one day per week at college but can also include training sessions.

What will I learn?

- Have the chance to work on the installation, testing, commissioning, and maintenance of low voltage (less than 1000v) electrical and electronic devices and appliances
- Work on the maintenance of electrical and electronic installations including automated production systems
- Duties include the supervision of the equipment, its maintenance, and necessary repairs



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LEVEL 1

Property Maintenance

The Level 1 Diploma will give you a good understanding of the skills and knowledge required to work in facilities management and multi-skilled construction maintenance areas. You will learn, develop, and practice the skills required for employment and career progression within Maintenance Operations.

This course has been designed for those who work or wish to work in a variety of roles that require knowledge of various construction trades. This entry-level qualification will cover small-scale repairs in the key areas of the construction trade such as brickwork, painting, decorating, plastering, plumbing and carpentry.

What will I learn?

- Key aspects of Health and Safety on site
- The principles of construction
- Essential painting and decorating skills
- Basic plastering skills
- Plumbing
- Carpentry skills
- Brickwork skills



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LEVEL 2

Property Maintenance

Expanding on the trade skills you learned during Level 1 of this qualification, this course aims to continue developing your wealth of knowledge and practical capabilities about a variety of essential construction trades.

Taking a more in-depth approach, you will be utilising your previously learned skills throughout an assortment of practical applications and scenarios, building on the foundations you have already developed. This Level 2 programme will take you through more advanced techniques throughout each unit area.

On completion of this intensive course, you will be able to progress onto a Level 2 or Level 3 specialisation in your chosen area of construction.

What will I learn?

- Health and Safety
- Advanced principles of construction
- Tools and equipment essential to building repairs
- Further painting and decorating skills
- Advanced level plastering skills
- Tackling plumbing repairs
- Carpentry repairs
- Plastering repairs



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APPRENTICESHIP

Property Maintenance Operative

As a Property Maintenance Operative, you will have the potential to work in a variety of industries, for example, housing, healthcare, social care, hospitality, education, commercial properties, leisure, retail, and public and private sector buildings. You will be trained in the mechanisms of buildings including electrical, plumbing, plant, safety systems and equipment. You will provide a first and immediate response to fault finding and assist in the prevention of major damage that could result in extensive costs and minimise reactive intervention.

A minimum of 20% of your contracted hours must be spent in off-the-job training. This is predominantly done one day per week at college but can also include training sessions..

What will I learn?

- Learn to assist in ensuring that a building's condition is of high quality and in safe working condition
- Maintain a high level of quality, providing maximum satisfaction to customers, clients, guests, and your team



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“I like the technical side and, in my head, I can plan things out and really think about it and it now comes naturally to me.”

BRADLEY RODENHURST, CARPENTRY APPRENTICE

2024/25 Art and Design, Creative Media Courses



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LEVEL 2

Art and Design

This one-year Level 2 in Art and Design provides an introductory experience which will help you to develop practical, problem solving and research skills, together with improving confidence, and communication and to learn about progression opportunities in art and design.

This course provides you with a basic introduction to drawing, painting, 3D, digital and various approaches to art and design. With a personal workspace, you'll learn through experimentation using a broad range of 2D and 3D processes. Projects will help you to gain a contextual understanding of historical and contemporary art and design and support you to make and articulate personal connections and interpretations. You'll have the opportunity to improve your communication and presentation skills by taking part in group critiques and student exhibitions.

What will I learn?

- Materials, processes, and technical skills
- Contextual research
- Verbal and non-verbal communication skills
- Solving 2D, 3D and time-based creative problems
- Creating a portfolio of artwork for progression



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LEVEL 3

Art and Design

This high-energy Art and Design course will give you a broad knowledge and understanding of the different areas within Art and Design. From fundamental key skills to ideas-based work, including exploration and investigation in a wide range of materials, techniques, and processes.

The course is designed to introduce you to the main areas of 2D and 3D art and design, conceptual art, installation and multi-media, providing practical experience as well as enabling students to focus on specific subject areas in greater depth. The different disciplines include drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, photography, interactive media, fashion/textiles, 3D design and conceptual art.

This highly innovative programme aims to give you full access to art resources and facilities, techniques, and processes, and through communication and discourse, allow you to take your own journey of discovery into professional Art practices. Emphasis will be placed upon your ability in methods of creative production by maintaining an open mind towards the exploration of new ideas and risk-taking through the course progression.

The programme will also allow you to appreciate the work of historical and contemporary artists and designers, to inspire, motivate and inform you and to learn about learned professional practice.

What will I learn?

- Materials, processes, and technical skills
- Contextual research
- Verbal and non-verbal communication skills
- Solving 2D, 3D and time-based creative problems
- Creating a portfolio of artwork for progression



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LEVEL 2

Creative Media

Are you at home with YouTube, TikTok and Snapchat? Do you live for the latest Netflix release and the next episode of your favourite podcast? Do you feel like you could do the same, but just don't know where to start?

Then our Level 2 Professional Media Production course is the one for you. It's custom-made for anyone with passion, enthusiasm, and a drive to take their digital skills to the next level. Spend your next year creating original, creative, exciting content and learn the skills you need to take yourself to the next level - wherever that may be!

This course is ideal for anyone interested in a wide range of careers including social media production, film editing, script writing, digital marketing or film and television production.

Podcasts, films, documentaries, advertisements: you'll do it all right here!

What will I learn?

- Short film production
- Podcast creation
- Video editing
- Scriptwriting



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LEVEL 3

Creative Media

This course is the place to be to learn how to create fun, engaging and professional digital media. Whether you're aspiring to be a YouTuber, podcaster, visionary graphic designer, a social media maven or dream of becoming the next Spielberg, this course will equip you with the necessary skills and knowledge to bring your creative visions to life.

Throughout your journey in this course, you'll not only gain technical skills but also nurture your creativity and storytelling abilities. You'll explore the latest trends and emerging technologies that are shaping the digital media landscape, ensuring that you stay at the forefront of innovation. Hands-on projects and real-world scenarios will challenge you to apply what you've learned, allowing you to refine your skills and develop a professional portfolio that showcases your talent.

What will I learn?

- Scriptwriting
- Camera, lighting, and audio operation
- Podcasting
- Interactive digital media production
- Vlog production
- Music video production
- Social networking



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Music

This Level 2 Music qualification is a foundation course that starts you on a path into the music industry. You get to explore different ways of creating music from performance to studio production, developing an in-depth knowledge of music theory, composition and performance and production skills. You'll also learn how to market and promote yourself across all platforms of digital media, which is essential in this online age.

On this course, you will develop the core skills you will need to access our Level 3 Music course.

What will I learn?

- Performing music
- Creating music
- Music production
- Marketing music



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LEVEL 3

Music

If you are a budding musician, songwriter, singer, music producer or simply a lover of music this course will teach you how to turn your passion into a career. Working in today's music industry can be very rewarding but to succeed you not only need to be a great musician but also understand how to negotiate yourself through an industry that has been revolutionised by digital media. This course has been designed to teach you all these skills. It will also teach a number of transferable skills that will be required in the wider job market.

What will I learn?

- Creative music making
- Performance, recording and composition
- Digital media techniques
- Marketing and music business
- Blogging, podcasting and developing a social network



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“There are loads of different aspects of the course to love and something for everyone.”

MAX KILLING, HND MUSIC PERFORMANCE STUDENT

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Performing Arts courses

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LEVEL 1

Performing Arts (Acting, Musical Theatre and Technical Theatre)

Want a career in Performing Arts, then this course is for you. As well as learning specialist subjects within the creative industries you will also build your confidence, communication and social skills and learn how to work effectively as part of a team. This course specialises in areas of the industry such as Acting, Dance, Physical Theatre, Performance work, Community Arts, and the world of work within the Performing Arts Industry.

Acting/Dance/Physical theatre offers you training in a professional capacity by industry specialists. Within classes and workshops, you will gain a technical grounding in acting, dance and physical theatre, alongside professional and personal development.

Performance Work - Your skill set will be showcased in several productions throughout the course. Past Productions by Ignite Performing Arts students have included The School of Rock, Matilda, Mamma Mia! Grease The Musical and The Greatest Showman.

The Performing Arts Industry – As part of this course you will learn all about the world of work within the creative industry and what pathways are available to you post completing your qualification. The performing arts include jobs in theatre, dance and music. You could work as an actor, comedian, musician, dancer, or singer. Performance jobs are not just in the theatre or on TV. Performers also work at festivals, in education, on cruise ships and at theme parks.

What will I learn?

Acting:

- Acting for the camera
- Contemporary theatre
- Physical theatre
- Voice and the actor
- Audition techniques

Singing/Voice:

- Accent and dialect work
- Developing projection and articulation
- Voice for recorded media
- Foundation singing skills and techniques
- Confidence building

Performance work:

- Stage design and construction
- Lighting design
- Sound production
- Stage management
- Performance production
- Performance skills
- Teamwork



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LEVEL 2

Performing Arts (Acting, Musical Theatre and Technical Theatre)

Want to develop your skills further as a performing artist? Then look no further!

Building on the foundation of skills you already have, or have gained during your Level 1 qualification, this course is designed to take your abilities to new heights. Dive into dynamic workshops that enhance your confidence and stage presence. Whether you aspire to be a singer, actor or technician our expert faculty will nurture your talent and help you flourish. Experience the thrill of live performances and gain the skills needed to shine on stage. Join us and embark on a transformative journey, honing your craft and building the self-assuredness to captivate any audience.

What will I learn?

Acting:

- Movement in performance
- Contemporary theatre-making
- Devising
- Improvisation
- Character development

Singing & Voice:

- Power and projection
- Articulation
- Group singing
- Accent work
- Voice for recorded media

Performance work:

- Set design and construction
- Props mastery
- Stage management
- Costume design and sourcing
- Lighting and sound design



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“Training with Ignite Musical Theatre changed my life. With the teachers’ guidance and support, I was able to go on to train, with a fully funded scholarship to my dream musical theatre school. Without their help, I truly believe I wouldn’t be where I am or the person I am today.”

DAMON GOULD, MUSICAL THEATRE STUDENT

LEVEL 3

Ignite Acting

Want a career as a professional actor? Then you're in the right place.

This intensive Level 3 qualification will provide you with training in a professional capacity by industry specialists. In classes and through workshops you will gain a strong technical grounding in acting, along with professional development and enrichment studies.

Our approach aims to relate theory to practice, inform the development of your own creative vision, and enhance lifelong skills for employment within the professional world. Throughout the two years, as a developing artist, you are encouraged to be versatile and critically evaluate your own performance as you grow in confidence and maturity.

What will I learn?

- Acting for TV & film
- Contemporary and classical theatre
- Movement in performance
- The physical body (delivered with a focus on The Alexander Technique, which is a standard industry professional practice)
- Practitioner study (Stanislavski, Brecht, Grotowski, Meisner, Strasburg and Adler to name but a few)
- Voice in performance (delivered through the Estill International Voice Training model, which is also a standard industry professional practice)
- Audition techniques
- Creation of your bespoke Professional Practice Portfolio
- Devising and writing for theatre

Your developing skill set will be showcased in a number of productions throughout your training. Previous performances by Ignite Acting including Alice Sebold's *The Lovely Bones*, Jim Cartwright's *ROAD*, *Market Boy* by David Eldridge and *The Ferryman* by Jez Butterworth, along with a number of original concept productions, including a stage adaptation of John Hughes' 80's cult classic *The Breakfast Club*.

Ignite Acting also work collaboratively with Ignite Musical Theatre and Ignite Technical Theatre, which allows you to create your own bespoke training programme to best suit your need and future career goals.



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LEVEL 3

Ignite Musical Theatre

Musical Theatre fanatic? Do you dream of being on the West End? If the answer is yes, then this course is for you!

This intensive Level 3 qualification will provide you with training in a professional capacity by industry specialists. In classes and through workshops you will gain a strong technical grounding in singing, acting and dance, along with professional development and enrichment studies.

Our approach aims to relate theory to practice, inform the development of your own creative vision, and enhance lifelong skills for employment within the professional world. Throughout the two years, as a developing artist, you are encouraged to be versatile and critically evaluate your own performance as you grow in confidence and maturity.

Your developing skill set will be showcased in a number of productions throughout your training. Previous performances by Ignite Musical Theatre include Bat Out of Hell, Heathers, RENT, Spring Awakening, Les Miserables, SIX and In The Heights, along with a number of original concept productions and showcases.

Ignite Musical Theatre also work collaboratively with Ignite Acting and Ignite Technical Theatre, which allows you to create your own bespoke training programme to best suit your needs and future career goals.

What will I learn?

- Classical ballet technique
- Contemporary and classical theatre
- Physical theatre and movement in performance
- Tap dance
- Commercial and jazz dance
- Musical theatre performance
- The physical body (delivered with a focus on The Alexander Technique, which is a standard industry professional practice)
- Practitioner study (examples - acting: Stanislavski, Brecht, Grotowski, Meisner. dance: Fosse, Cole, Mattox, Bourne. music: Robert-Brown, Manual-Miranda, Larson)
- Singing technique & voice (delivered through the Estill International Voice Training model, which is also a standard industry professional practice)
- Audition techniques
- Creation of your bespoke Professional Practice Portfolio
- Choreography/directing/music direction



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LEVEL 3

Ignite Technical Theatre

Want a career working behind the scenes? Passionate about the magic of theatre-making? Then you're in the right place.

This intensive Level 3 qualification will provide you with training in a professional capacity by industry specialists. In classes and through workshops you will gain a strong technical grounding in Production Arts, including lighting and sound operation, set design, costume design and stage management, along with professional development and enrichment studies.

Our approach aims to relate theory to practice, inform the development of your own creative vision, and enhance lifelong skills for employment. Throughout this course, you are encouraged to be versatile and critically evaluate your own skills as you grow in confidence and maturity.

Your skill set will be showcased in a number of productions throughout your training. Our Ignite 'Techie Team' get the opportunity to work collaboratively with all Performing Arts courses to produce performances in our purpose-built in-house studio theatre space, and in external spaces.

Ignite Technical Theatre work the closest, and most collaboratively, with Ignite Musical Theatre and Ignite Acting, which allows you to create your own bespoke training programme to best suit your needs and future career goals.

What will I learn?

- Stage design and construction
- Lighting design and programming
- Sound production
- Stage management & front of house
- Costume design
- Props mastery
- Theatre maintenance
- Creation of your bespoke Professional Practice Portfolio



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LEVEL 2

Ignite Dance

If you aspire to become a professional dancer, choreographer, or teacher then this is the perfect launch pad for you!

This intensive Level 2 qualification with our Ignite Dance Centre is designed to provide you with the right skills needed to progress onto our highly successful Level 3 Dance course. The course will provide you with training in Ballet, Contemporary, Urban, Choreography, Jazz, and Tap.

During your studies, you will work alongside our expert staff, who are outstanding practitioners that still perform professionally within the industry.

We have a reputation for developing outstanding dancers and enhancing all our dancer's ability to reach their highest potential through vocational training. This allows you to progress onto further training at the UK's most prestigious conservatories.

What will I learn?

- Individual showcase
- Preparation, performance, and production
- Dance skills
- Performing arts industry
- Performance in context
- Movement skills
- Devising performance work
- Contemporary dance technique
- Jazz dance technique
- Choreography
- Community arts
- Performing arts enterprise

Mandatory training/ preparations:

- Ballet dance technique
- Tap dance technique
- Commercial/ urban
- Fitness/ body conditioning



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LEVEL 3

Ignite Dance

Inspired? Interested? Well, we have the course for you!

Our Level 3 qualification is designed to provide you with a high standard of technical, creative and performance training. All our dancers become proficient in ballet, contemporary, urban, commercial, heels, jazz, tap, choreography, improvisation, performance, and safe dance practice. During your studies, you will work alongside our expert staff, who are outstanding practitioners and still work professionally within the industry.

Our mission is to provide you with the best professional training in all styles. We have a reputation for developing outstanding versatile dancers and enhancing dancers' ability to reach their highest potential through vocational training.

What will I learn?

Year one predominantly focuses on technical development, learners will apply and develop their technical skills and expand their knowledge and understanding in all styles of dance.

- Investigating practitioners
- Developing skills and techniques for live performance
- Group performance
- Jazz dance technique
- Contemporary dance technique

Mandatory training/ preparations:

- Ballet dance technique
- Tap dance technique
- Commercial/ urban
- Fitness/ body conditioning

Year two focuses on refining dance technique and performance skills. Learners will undertake additional units to enhance and develop skills as an aspiring performance artist, whilst preparing for vocational schools and university auditions.

- Individual performance commission
- Final live performance to an audience
- Employment opportunities in the performing arts
- Healthy dancer
- Movement in performance
- Classical ballet technique
- Tap dance technique

Mandatory training/ preparations:

- Jazz dance technique
- Contemporary dance technique
- Urban/ commercial
- Fitness/ body conditioning
- Audition preparation

We have chosen units specifically that we believe will benefit our dancers and promote a versatile career path.



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LEVEL 3

Access to Higher Education (Health Professionals)

The Access to Higher Education Diploma (Health Professionals) offered at Kidderminster College currently runs in the daytime, over two days. The course is Level 3 and is designed to prepare learners for Higher Education, offering a variety of subjects in skills for learning, human biology, psychology, and health studies.

The course is challenging and vigorous, so if you are motivated, committed and determined, you have the potential to achieve and meet your career goal.

What will I learn?

- Skills for learning
- Biology
- Health studies
- Psychology



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**This course can be studied
as Full-time or Part-time.**

LEVEL 1

Early Years and Health and Social Care Combined

There is always a demand for roles in the Early Years and Health and Social Care sector. You have the potential to make a massive difference to a range of people and feel a sense of achievement whilst doing so. It is a career that can be very challenging but at the same time rewarding and satisfying.

There are a variety of different pathways that can be taken within these sectors.

There are a range of practical and theory sessions to develop your knowledge and skills. It is expected that there will also be an opportunity for work placement experience, within your chosen sector.

What will I learn?

- Being organised
- Developing a personal progression plan
- Planning a preschool children's reading activity
- Providing an activity to support children's numeracy
- Planning a safe childcare environment
- Finding out about health and social care services
- Advising others about healthy lifestyles
- Providing a creative activity when caring for people



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LEVEL 2

Early Years

There can be few careers more rewarding than working with children. Whether you want to work with early years, school-age, teenagers or families, jobs with children are available in the public, private or not-for-profit sectors.

Our Level 2 Children and Young People's Workforce qualification provides you with detailed knowledge of caring for children. Course content includes safeguarding children, child development, play and learning, Health and Safety and preparing safe environments.

Placement experience is a compulsory part of the course and provides the practical skills needed to work with children. You will also undertake two days per week of assessed work experience in a variety of early-year settings, arranged by the college.

What will I learn?

- Safeguarding children
- Child development
- Play and learning
- Health and safety
- Preparing safe environments for children
- As part of this course you will gain essential qualifications in health and safety, manual handling and first aid.



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LEVEL 3

Early Years

Our Level 3 Technical Diploma in Childcare and Education Diploma will unlock your potential as a childcare worker and open doors to an incredibly fulfilling and rewarding career. Upon completion of this course, you will be able to be employed as an Early Years Educator. This qualification also attracts UCAS points, making it ideal for those who wish to progress to a degree.

Covering a diverse and intensive study programme with a key focus on child development, safeguarding and partnership working, this qualification will positively prepare you for working within the Early Years sector, assisting you in growing your personal, social, and theoretical expertise and installing the confidence and self-belief to work within a sometimes-challenging environment.

This course is ideal for any self-starter who has big career aspirations.

What will I learn?

- Child development
- Child welfare
- Health and Safety
- Safeguarding
- Child observation
- Additional needs
- Partnership working
- As part of this course you will gain essential qualifications in health and safety, manual handling and first aid.



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**“I feel very fortunate to have experienced
a wealth of placement opportunities
during my studies.”**

ELLIE WILLIAMS, CHILDCARE AND EDUCATION STUDENT

LEVEL 2

Health and Social Care

If your goal is to work with people in a supportive role, either in a health care setting such as a hospital, a social care setting such as a care home for elderly people or a day centre for people with learning or physical disabilities, then our Level 2 Health & Social Care Diploma can help you achieve your goal.

This qualification covers a broad base of skills and knowledge that will introduce you to the core values of employment in a range of Health and Social Care settings. You'll also get the opportunity to gain practical skills through work experience placements.

Are you ready to become the next generation of Health Heroes?

What will I learn?

- Equality and diversity
- Care values
- Healthy living
- Lifespan development
- Effective communication
- Promoting health and wellbeing
- Creative and therapeutic activities
- As part of this course you will gain essential qualifications in health and safety, manual handling and first aid.



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LEVEL 3

Health and Social Care

The Health and Social Care sector is dependent on passionate and fully trained professionals. The BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma enables you to progress into these career prospects by combining work experience within the sector and academic study. The course is delivered over two years and covers a range of units, including Human Lifespan Development, Anatomy and Physiology, and Physiological Disorders.

After completing your BTEC you can progress into employment and embark on further occupational training. Alternatively, you can progress onto Higher Education at University, training in Social Work, Paramedic Science, Nursing, and other professions.

What will I learn?

- Human lifespan development
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Anatomy and physiology for health and social care
- Promoting public health
- Psychological perspectives
- Caring for individuals with dementia
- As part of this course you will gain essential qualifications in health and safety, manual handling and first aid.



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“I was attracted by the opportunities that Kidderminster offered, such as placement, which was going to enable me to get hands on experience within the Health and Social Care industry”

ZOE BAVINGTON, HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

2024/25 Foundation Learning Courses



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Life Skills

This qualification is available at Entry Levels 2 and 3 and focuses on skills that will support your personal growth and increase your independence in adult life. This includes areas such as contributing to the community, being part of a group, taking part in exercise and looking after your well-being.

This unique course includes individual and group practical learning at Kidderminster College and off-site activities, which you will attend as part of your group - which we will arrange for you. You will study within small groups, where additional support can be provided where needed.

What will I learn?

- Working as a team
- Looking after your wellbeing
- Healthy eating
- Working safely
- Handling money
- Using tools and equipment in the workplace



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LEVEL 1

Vocational Studies

This course is all about you, your interests and helping you find the right career path that suits you. The course has been developed to enable students who are vocationally undecided to gain experience in a variety of course areas in preparation for your next steps.

Alongside the practical learning experiences, you will develop personal qualities and attitudes, social and interpersonal skills and build your confidence. This course is an excellent opportunity to experience varied hands-on activities.

What will I learn?

- Opportunities to experience performance skills, backstage theatre, hospitality, customer services, business, and information technology
- In addition to this, you will look at career planning
- You will also have the opportunity to look at taster opportunities in a range of subjects offered at Kidderminster College



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“I enjoyed going offsite most to Cookley and Brockwood to gain more practical experience, and I also enjoyed helping the community out.”

MOHAMMED NADIM AHMED, FOUNDATION LEARNING STUDENT

2024/25 Hair and Beauty Courses

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LEVEL 1

Beauty Therapy

Do you have a passion for making people feel amazing about themselves? Then look at this Beauty Therapy Diploma! This hands-on, entry-level qualification has been specifically designed to introduce you to a vast amount of practical beauty therapy skills.

You'll study a diverse range of units and techniques over the academic year and will be learning the ropes in no time. Covering the basics right the way through to more advanced procedures and treatments, this qualification will lay down a strong foundation for your future career.

Working from our award-winning salon, Elements, you'll get invaluable, real-life work experience, helping you develop your confidence, and customer care and get a real feel for the career ladder you're stepping onto. Working both independently, and as part of a close-knit team, this Diploma will see you share your knowledge as it develops, preparing you for any career path you decide to take.

What will I learn?

- Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Sector
- Provide basic manicure
- Provide basic pedicure
- Salon reception duties
- Skincare
- The art of photographic make-up
- Themed face painting
- Working with others in the Hair and Beauty sector
- Health and Safety in the salon
- Basic make-up
- Create a hair and beauty image
- Nail art



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LEVEL 2

Beauty Therapy

The Level 2 Diploma in Beauty Therapy is a substantial vocational qualification for individuals seeking a career as an employed and/or self-employed Beauty Therapist.

Working inside our award-winning salon, Elements, this qualification will provide you with a strong requisite knowledge, understanding and skill set to work competently as a Beauty Therapist, this course is the essential platform you need to meet the growing and diverse opportunities in the beauty industry.

With a strong focus on the practical application of knowledge and skill development, this Level 2 Diploma aims to expand on your passion for beauty and open the door to an array of careers and further education.

What will I learn?

- Facial treatments
- Eye treatments
- Manicure and Pedicure
- Make-up
- Waxing
- Health and Safety in the salon
- Reception



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LEVEL 3

Beauty Therapy

This job-ready qualification will allow you to advance your previous skill set, expand your knowledge of the industry and allow you to work at a higher level, opening increased promotion opportunities.

Providing you with an excellent knowledge of massage and modern electrical treatments and studying the science behind beauty treatments, you'll learn the necessary expertise needed to confidently advise your client as well as grasp all the practical aspects of running and managing a successful salon.

This Level 3 Diploma is an excellent qualification to have under your belt as many employers seek Level 3 qualifications as their minimum requirement for employment. Throughout your study, you will be working from Kidderminster College's award-winning salon, Elements, providing treatments for the public, staff, and other students.

What will I learn?

- Body massage
- Facial and Body electrical treatments
- Electrical Epilation
- Tanning
- Eyelash extensions
- Monitoring workplace Health and Safety operations
- Financial effectiveness of the business
- Planning on implementing promotional activities



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DID YOU KNOW?

Kidderminster College regularly hosts the World Skills Regional heats on site for our Hair, Beauty, and Media Make-up courses, with some of our past students progressing to the finals!

LEVEL 3

Beauty Therapy Massage

This Beauty Therapy Massage Diploma has been designed to prepare you to enter the beauty sector, rather than focusing on one specific area within the industry. You'll be covering a diverse range of modules, skills, and background knowledge, thoroughly preparing you to enter the world of beauty therapy!

This intensive job-ready qualification will allow you to advance your previous skill set, expand your knowledge of the industry and allow you to work at a higher level!

Providing you with an excellent knowledge of massage and modern electrical treatments, studying the science behind beauty treatments to confidently advise your client and learning the practical aspects of running and managing a successful salon, this Diploma covers all aspects to find your place within the beauty industry.

What will I learn?

- Body massage
- Indian head massage
- Pre-blended aromatherapy oil massage
- Stone therapy treatments
- Monitoring workplace Health and Safety operations
- Planning and implementing promotional activities
- Facial electrical treatments



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LEVEL 2

Hair and Media Make-up

Our Level 2 Hair and Media Make-up Diploma will help catapult you into the work of media, hair, and make-up; training to a high standard and gaining real-life experience within the theatrical and media industry, our students are taught and coached through a vast variety of techniques and skills essential to making it in the world of media artistry.

Throughout this qualification, you'll gain valuable skills and develop your knowledge through activities by working with Kidderminster Fire Service recreating accident scenes and teaming up with our own Performing Art department here at the college.

The skills gained in this course will allow you to progress towards working in a diverse industry, ranging from fashion and beauty to theatre and special effects.

Providing a strong foundation for further study, this course is a must-have for any aspiring make-up artist's CV!

What will I learn?

- Provide eyelash and eyebrow treatments
- The art of dressing hair
- Nail art
- Tanning
- Face painting
- Body art
- Shampoo and condition the hair and scalp
- Art of photographic make-up
- Apply make-up
- Plaiting and twisting
- The art of colouring hair



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LEVEL 1

Hairdressing

Join our award-winning Level 1 VTCT Hairdressing Diploma! This intensive qualification has been designed to introduce you to the full spectrum of practical hairdressing skills and will provide a solid foundation for you to progress onto the next level of vocational learning. This course is the first step for any aspiring hairdresser to start their journey to become a competent hairdressing assistant and to progress to Level 2 Hairdressing.

Throughout this qualification, you'll develop and perfect your skills in shampooing, blow-drying, and styling women's hair. You'll also begin developing your knowledge of different hair types, health, and Safety requirements and how to present yourself within the hair industry. You will be introduced to the essential skills on how to effectively section hair and how to apply temporary colour as this course progresses. You will be required to complete a work experience placement during the course (minimum 60 hours) This provides further experience in the hairdressing industry preparing you for employment.

This qualification will lay down an unshakeable base for you to eventually be able to both work and run your hair salon.

ELEMENTS, Kidderminster College's on-site professional salon takes part in regular regional and national competitions, so there will be some amazing opportunities to showcase your work throughout your study.

What will I learn?

- Salon reception
- The art of dressing hair including blow dry's, setting and hair-ups – to include the knowledge of textured hair
- Applying temporary colour
- Create a hair and beauty image
- Plaiting hair to include a range of on-scalp and off-scalp techniques
- A greater understanding of the Hair and Beauty sector
- Shampoo and condition the hair
- Consultation techniques



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LEVEL 2

Hairdressing

Join our awarding winning VTCT Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing. The Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Hairdressing is a job-ready qualification based on National Occupational Standards (NOS). This qualification will provide you with the knowledge, understanding and skills to work competently that are relevant in the industry and up-to-date services offered in salons.

Throughout this qualification, you will develop your skills in customer care, advice, and consult, changing the hair colour, cutting hair using basic techniques and styling and finishing hair. You will also develop your knowledge of different hair types and Health and Safety requirements and how to present yourself within the hairdressing industry.

You will be required to complete a work experience placement during the course (minimum 60 hours) This provides further experience in the hairdressing industry preparing you for employment. You will have the opportunity to enter external competitions where we have been successful in previous years by getting placed at both the Regional and National Heats of the AHT Competitions, NCG and Concept Learner of the Year competitions, and gained places in the regional rounds of WorldSkills.

What will I learn?

- Advice and consult with clients
- Shampoo and condition hair
- Cut hair using basic techniques
- Change hair colour using a range of techniques and products
- Style, set, and finish hair including plaiting, twisting and hair ups to include the knowledge of textured hair
- Perm and neutralise hair



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LEVEL 3

Hairdressing

This KC award-winning Advanced and Creative Hair Professionals is a job-ready, industry-recognised qualification which will qualify you to become a senior hairdresser/stylist.

With an intense focus on advanced haircutting techniques, styling and finishing methods alongside mastering sophisticated hair colouring and colour correction practices, this course will intensify your already extensive knowledge and ready you to take the hair industry by storm.

Covering professional customer service techniques, planning and implementation of forward-thinking looks and approaches, this course will take place within our award-winning salon, Elements, where you will be working on paying members of the public.

You will be required to complete a work experience placement during the course (minimum 37 hours) This provides further experience in the hairdressing industry preparing you for employment. You will be entered into external competitions where we have been successful in previous years by getting placed at both the Regional and National Heats of the AHT Competitions, NCG and Concept Learner of the Year competitions, and gained places in the regional rounds of WorldSkills.

This qualification will instill a high standard of skill and theoretical and practical knowledge which is reflected by the fact that we have a 100% success rate in employment from all students who complete this course.

What will I learn?

- Provide hairdressing consultation services
- Creatively cut hair using a combination of techniques
- Creatively colour and lighten hair
- Provide hair colour correction services
- Creatively style and dress hair
- Develop and enhance creative hairdressing skills
- Contribute to the planning and evaluation of promotional activities



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2024/25 IT, Games Development and Design Courses

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LEVEL 2

IT Digital Technicians

Today, every business, school, college, and household rely heavily upon computers, IT and the internet to function, make money and run smoothly. And if you have a knack for technology, why not become a much sought-after IT Technician?

This Level 2 Diploma focuses on the practical aspects of the IT Industry. Over the course of the academic year, you'll be learning how to install computer hardware, set up networks, and customise software. You'll also cover the ins, outs, and critical thinking and problem-solving required to take on an IT support role in a company, business, or institution.

This qualification has been designed to provide a strong background knowledge of Information Technology, setting you on a career path to become an IT Technician.

What will I learn?

- Working in the IT industry
- Communicating in the IT industry
- Computer systems
- Installing computer hardware
- Setting up an IT network
- IT support
- Customising software



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LEVEL 3

Computing with Programming and App Development

With the rise of smartphones and our increasing dependency on computers, app development and computer programming are coming into their own. Reckon you've got what it takes to come up with the next best thing? Then this course is for you!

Designed to inspire and get your inventive side going, this course focuses heavily on the technical skills required within the computing and IT world.

At the end of this course, there is an option to complete a further year of studying for an Extended Level 3 Diploma.

What will I learn?

- Principles of Computer Science
- Software design and development
- Mobile app development
- Website development
- IT Systems security and encryption
- The impact of computing
- Planning and management of computing projects



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“The course had a very good reputation and when I looked into it, it touched on lots of different aspects of games design which I know would only strengthen my understanding of the industry.”

HAZEL BROWN, GAMES DESIGN STUDENT

LEVEL 2

Creative Games Design

This course will strongly focus on the art and design aspects of 2D and 3D game design and production, helping you to create a robust durable skill set for you to call upon in the world of work.

You don't need to have any previous experience designing games to apply for this course, but you do need to be creative.

You should be interested in many different genres of games and play on different platforms. You will be required to draw upon your user experience.

We cover all aspects of game development, not just focusing on one area. By looking at and dissecting all components of game development, you'll find a real appreciation of the different elements that go into the making of a game.

This incredibly popular course aims to inspire and motivate you to make it in this fast-paced industry.

What will I learn?

- 3D modelling
- Game design
- Concept art
- Digital games art
- Traditional art
- Games engines
- Animation and rigging
- Games testing



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LEVEL 3

Creative Games Design

Games Design is a career hotspot bursting with creative talent and innovation! With extensive job progression and opportunities, this is an amazing industry to get into!

Our Level 2 Diploma covers the fundamental design and development elements required to produce exciting game art. Background knowledge will be gained by studying how game developers produce concept art and modelling assets for games.

A key focus will be placed on learning the basics of game design, building up your confidence and technical skills in preparation for your own project.

You'll be expected to design and think creatively in this course, so you'll need to have a passion for this! Drawing skills are not essential but we'd expect you to work on these skills throughout the year so that you are comfortable visually presenting your ideas. This course will enable you to gain a solid understanding of how the games development sector works, coaching and supporting you so that you're able to unlock your potential!

What will I learn?

- Areas of games industry theory
- Concept art (traditional and digital)
- 3D modelling
- 3D Game Level



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LEVEL 2

Esports

This brand-new course aims to focus on skills needed to break into the Esports Industry. There are a large variety of roles within this area to broadcast, host and play these huge games that are presented to a large audience.

This course ranges from planning an Esports event to understanding how competitive gaming works and how the teams function. As part of this course, you'll have a chance to design your own game and character!

What will I learn?

- Esports games, teams and tournaments
- Establishing an Esports organisation
- Streaming for Esports
- Plan for an Esports event
- Start an enterprise in Esports
- Designing an Esports game



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DID YOU KNOW?

We now have a brand-new Digital Hub!
The new suites provide state-of-the-art equipment for students to use for their studies!

LEVEL 3

Esports

This course in Esports is a qualification that is designed to give you the skills and knowledge you need to work in the Esports industry. The course covers a wide range of topics, including the structure of Esports, the different types of Esports games, live streaming and casting, the business of Esports, and the health and wellbeing of Esports players.

What will I learn?

- Introduction to Esports
- Esports skills, strategies and analysis
- Enterprise and entrepreneurship in the Esports Industry
- Health, wellbeing and fitness for Esports players
- Esports events



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2024/25 Motor Vehicle Courses



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LEVEL 1

Motor Vehicle Repair

If you have a passion for motor vehicles, motorsport, and spend many hours under a bonnet, then a course in the motor industry is for you! Studying in one of the state-of-the-art and fully equipped workshops, you'll develop a thorough understanding of motor vehicle technology and electronics through practical, hands-on tasks, tuition and working on vehicle repair, servicing, mechanics, and electrical elements.

This course starts the building blocks towards a career in the motor trade. In our workshops, you will learn to remove and refit various components safely, and to be able to use tools correctly. In our classrooms, you will learn how the various components work. You will also study the motor trade and how it all work together. We will also look at existing and emerging technologies and how they will affect the future car.

What will I learn?

- Health and Safety
- The Retail Motor Industry
- Chassis technology including suspension and brakes
- Engine technology
- Alternative fuels and electrification



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LEVEL 2

Motor Vehicle Repair

Building on the skills you acquired during Level 1 of this Diploma, this qualification now aims to push you further, you'll be looking at various systems within a motor vehicle and how they interact and relate to each other. Alongside the practical elements of this course, you will take a more theoretical approach to understanding the workings of vehicles and hone your skills in simple diagnostics on mechanical systems.

In the workshop, you'll remove and strip various components, and look at common faults that occur. In the classroom, you'll study various systems on the vehicle, how they work and how they interact with each other. You'll also learn about and investigate basic diagnostic techniques.

What will I learn?

- Chassis technology including brakes, suspension and steering
- Engine technology
- Transmission technology
- Vehicle electrics
- Servicing



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“I was able to have the flexibility to develop my knowledge and skills across a variety of specialist areas.”

THOMAS NEWBERRY, MOTOR VEHICLE STUDENT

LEVEL 3

Motor Vehicle Repair

This Level 3 Motor Vehicle Repair course offers an ideal step to the Vocational Competence Qualification, both for those who are already employed in the motor industry and for those who wish to continue with their studies.

Accelerate your career in the automotive service industry with this technician-level course. Building on your training at Level 2, this will appeal especially to the aspiring automotive technician.

You'll be 'hands-on' in our workshops advancing your skills in more complex chassis and engine repair work. You'll also learn vital workplace Health and Safety practices and have customer service training, preparing you for employment.

What will I learn?

- Essential working practices and customer care
- Vehicle systems
- Vehicle electrics
- Fault diagnosis
- Vehicle science and maths
- Engine technology and diagnostics
- Ignition systems



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DID YOU KNOW?

Vehicle Respraying have a pop up booth! Come along to our events see it in action!

LEVEL 1

Vehicle Respraying

Pursuing a career in accident repair and auto body repair painting means you can pursue entry-level positions with a long list of potential employers. Better still, you don't need a university degree to pursue these great career opportunities as a Refinishing Prep or Auto Body Technician.

This Level 1 Diploma will see you covering the skills and knowledge required to work within the auto-finishing world. You will be introduced to the array of professional equipment, finishes and techniques as well as apply your growing skillset to practical assessments, tasks, and challenges.

Accredited by IMI, this introductory qualification is an essential stepping stone for any aspiring auto-finisher or body-sprayer, providing a solid basis for progression onto a Level 2 diploma and a lucrative career.

Sponsored by Lechler you will be working with professional respraying equipment, materials and finishes throughout the study period.

What will I learn?

- The key aspects of Health and Safety in the workshop
- The essential tools and equipment required for body respray
- How to valet vehicles
- An introduction to missing and applying foundation materials
- Aspects of vehicle technology
- Various masking techniques



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LEVEL 2

Vehicle Respraying

The next step towards your vehicle respraying career will see you hone your theoretical and practical skill set. Building from the groundwork you laid down during your first year, you will advance to tackle more complex techniques, utilise an array of filling and foundation materials and learn the principles of vehicle diagnosis and customer consultation.

Working to IMI guidelines, this second-year course is designed to further build upon your confidence and abilities, giving you a better understanding of how different aspects of the vehicle respraying industry operate and how to practically apply your expanding skill set to the next step in your career.

Again, as with Level 1, you will be utilising state-of-the-art equipment and finishes throughout the qualification, gaining a familiarity with the tools, equipment and brands associated with the trade.

What will I learn?

- Preparing metal and pre-painted surfaces
- Preparing and applying fillers and foundation materials to vehicles
- Repairing minor paint defects



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LEVEL 3

Vehicle Respraying

If you have completed a Level 2 qualification in vehicle body and paint operations and are seeking employment in the automotive bodywork industry, this course is for you.

Whether it is accident repair, modification or bespoke paintwork, the Level 3 Diploma in Accident Repair and Paint Refinishing could be the course for you.

With the increasing demand for body and paint technicians in the automotive industry, this qualification will equip you with all the knowledge and skills that you need to get your career off the ground.

What will I learn?

- Paint defects
- Blending of paint
- Colour matching
- Working with plastic
- Tools and equipment



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APPRENTICESHIP

Autocare Technician

As an Auto-care Technician apprentice, you will embark on a thrilling journey into the heart of the automotive industry. Your role will involve performing a diverse array of services and repairs, not just on cars but also on car-derived vans and light goods vehicles.

These centres come in various forms; they might be part of a national chain, recognised across the country, or proudly operated by a regional or local independent group/owner who values community ties and a personalised touch. In either setting, you'll have the opportunity to learn from experienced professionals who have a deep passion for automotive care and repair.

What will I learn?

- Develop your expertise in the technical elements of the role and have a good grasp of the practical and theoretical aspects of the vehicle systems that are serviced
- Develop excellent telephone manners, customer service, and effective sales skills
- Improve on your problem-solving and self-organisation skills



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DID YOU KNOW?

Our Vehicle Respraying courses are sponsored by Lechler! This means you will be working with professional respraying equipment, materials and finishes whilst studying with us!

2024/25 Sport and Uniformed Services

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LEVEL 2

Sport – Working in Sport

Level 2 in Sport - Working in Sport Diploma is designed to provide a strong understanding of the sports and leisure sector, providing you with industry-specific knowledge to prepare you for a career in the sporting world.

During this qualification, you'll study wider aspects of sports including understanding the sport business, preparing to work within the leisure industry, planning and running a sports event, looking at nutrition and exercise and much more!

What will I learn?

- Participating in sport
- Understanding business in sport
- Preparing to work in the sport and leisure industry
- Plan, deliver, and evaluate an activity session
- Planning and running a sports event
- Introduction to healthy exercise and nutrition
- Factors affecting participation in sports and physical activity



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“I was told leaving sixth form would be a big mistake, however after two years at Kidderminster College I’m actually proud to say I’ve left with the highest grades possible and the best memories.”

HANNAH SMITH, PUBLIC SERVICES STUDENT

LEVEL 3

Sport and Physical Activity – Working in Sport and Leisure

The Level 3 Diploma in Sport and Physical Activity - Working in Sport and Leisure is an advanced course that combines the opportunity to study a Level 3 qualification with the opportunity to develop your knowledge of the fitness and sports industry.

The course investigates current issues and principles around the development of sports coaching and fitness. This involves aspects of sports coaching and development, fitness and programming, customer service in sports and physical activity, fitness testing, marketing skills and practical sports. This is a theory and practical-based course.

You will be provided with the knowledge and practical skills required to work in or study at higher levels in the fields of sports development, sports coaching, fitness instructing and physical education.

What will I learn?

- Fitness training and programming
- Customer service in sports and physical activity
- Practical team sports
- Sports coaching
- Marketing skills for sports and physical activity
- Working in sport and leisure



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LEVEL 2

Uniformed Services

This is an ideal qualification for those interested in a career within the Uniformed Services, such as the Fire Service, Police or Military. You will study topics like improving health and fitness, employment in uniformed services, teamwork, and drill.

You'll participate in a diverse range of theoretical and practical activities ranging from fitness testing and training to diversity and volunteering.

Visits are made to Shrewsbury Prison, RAF bases and other training grounds so that students can develop a better understanding of what it means to represent the uniformed services.

There will also be visits from a range of guest speakers from the Police, Army, and Prison Officers.

Physical fitness is very important in many of these roles, along with good communication, team working and problem-solving skills. We use a number of facilities in the local area.

In addition to the core part of the course, you'll also have the opportunity to complete a variety of qualifications and activities alongside your studies.

What will I learn?

- Investigate employment in the uniformed services
- Physical fitness for the uniformed services
- Develop team working and problem-solving skills
- Health and safety in the uniformed services
- Health and hygiene in the uniformed services
- Follow uniformed service routine
- Exploring equality and diversity for the uniformed service
- Participate in competitive sports
- Explore volunteering and volunteering opportunities



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LEVEL 3

Uniformed Services

At the end of this two-year qualification, you'll gain a solid understanding of the skills and demands required for a career in public services, learning about a range of subjects such as leadership, coaching skills, understanding collaboration between services and drill, all of which are essential components for a career in the public sector.

You'll have the opportunity to take part in activities which will enhance your understanding of a career in the industry; for example, opportunities to go on residential visits to develop teamwork and leadership skills and meet a range of guest speakers from the Army, Navy and the Police and participating in recruitment events. We will provide you with an understanding of the personal commitment and fitness requirements needed to be employed in a uniformed service role.

This qualification will provide you with a solid foundation to see you step up and achieve your dream career and allow you to progress to employment or further study and towards the entry qualifications and requirements of a specific uniformed service.

What will I learn?

- Develop aspects of physical fitness for entry to the police service
- UK legal systems
- Emergency planning and response in the police service
- Developing leadership skills
- Dealing with emergency incidents
- Understanding mental health



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SPORT AND UNIFORMED SERVICES

Kidderminster Harriers



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LEVEL 2

Kidderminster Harriers Football Academy Certificate

The Level 2 Kidderminster Harriers Football Academy Certificate course provides student-athletes with the fantastic opportunity to study alongside playing football. This course also enables students to access excellent facilities such as the main KC campus and Centre of Sporting Excellence. During this time, students will receive high-quality coaching from UEFA-qualified football coaches.

The course is aimed at individuals who would like to pursue a career in sports and have a passion for football. During your time with us, you will work towards your academic qualification alongside playing in national competitions such as the National Alliance, FA Youth Cup, English Colleges, and Floodlit Leagues. There is also an opportunity to gain sporting qualifications such as the FA level 1 and 2 awards and Sports Leaders award.

You will study at the Centre of Sporting Excellence in Kidderminster and will train three times a week within the same facilities as Kidderminster Harriers First Team as well as competing in a number of leagues including Midland Floodlit League and the AOC League (Association of Colleges League).

What will I learn?

- Anatomy and physiology
- Fitness training and programming for health, sport, and wellbeing
- Professional development in the sports industry
- Sports leadership
- Application of fitness testing
- Sports psychology
- Practical sports performance



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You'll be enrolled at the Centre of Sporting Excellence in Kidderminster, where you'll engage in three weekly training sessions at the very same facilities utilised by the Kidderminster Harriers First Team.

This is an amazing opportunity to blend practical skills with a recognised Sport qualification. You will have full access to Kidderminster Harriers sporting facilities along with UEFA A and B-qualified coaches.

What will I learn?

- Anatomy and physiology
- Fitness training and programming for health, sport, and wellbeing
- Professional development in the sports industry
- Sports leadership
- Application of fitness testing
- Sports psychology
- Practical sports performance



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2024/25 Tourism and Hospitality Courses



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LEVEL 2

Tourism and Hospitality

Do you have the travel bug? Are people your thing? Well, look no further! Our Level 2 Diploma in Tourism and Hospitality is designed to provide a strong understanding of the travel and tourism sector, giving you the knowledge, skills, and know-how to pursue a career within one of its many diverse branches.

This qualification will see you develop a range of essential abilities including teamwork, leadership, problem-solving and decision-making to prepare you for a jet-setting, people-centric future. Theoretical and practical work will be combined to give you a clear understanding of how this busy and lucrative industry operates, assisting you in finding that perfect, fulfilling role you've always dreamed about.

What will I learn?

- UK and worldwide travel destinations
- Interpersonal skills
- Customer service
- Retail travel services
- Tour operations
- Visitor attractions
- Customer service and selling skills



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"I think the course has helped me a lot and helped me broaden my knowledge of the Travel and Tourism sector."

**ERIN HENDERSON, TOURISM
AND HOSPITALITY STUDENT**

LEVEL 3

Tourism and Hospitality

The Travel and Tourism industry is ranked one of the biggest industries in the UK, employing over two million people in the UK alone.

The Level 3 Travel and Tourism qualifications on offer at Kidderminster College are designed to provide a strong understanding of the Travel and Tourism sector, giving you the knowledge, skills, and know-how to pursue a career within one of its many diverse branches. The Level 3 course will enable you to develop the high-level work and life skills which are essential for working within such a fast-paced and expanding industry.

At Kidderminster College, we have our very own modern aircraft simulator, where many lessons take place.

As part of the Level 3 Travel and Tourism course you will have many opportunities to go out into the field on trips and residentials. These are an important part of the Level 3 Travel and Tourism course as these trips and residentials support many of the units you will study and provide opportunities to meet and build relationships with those working within the industry.

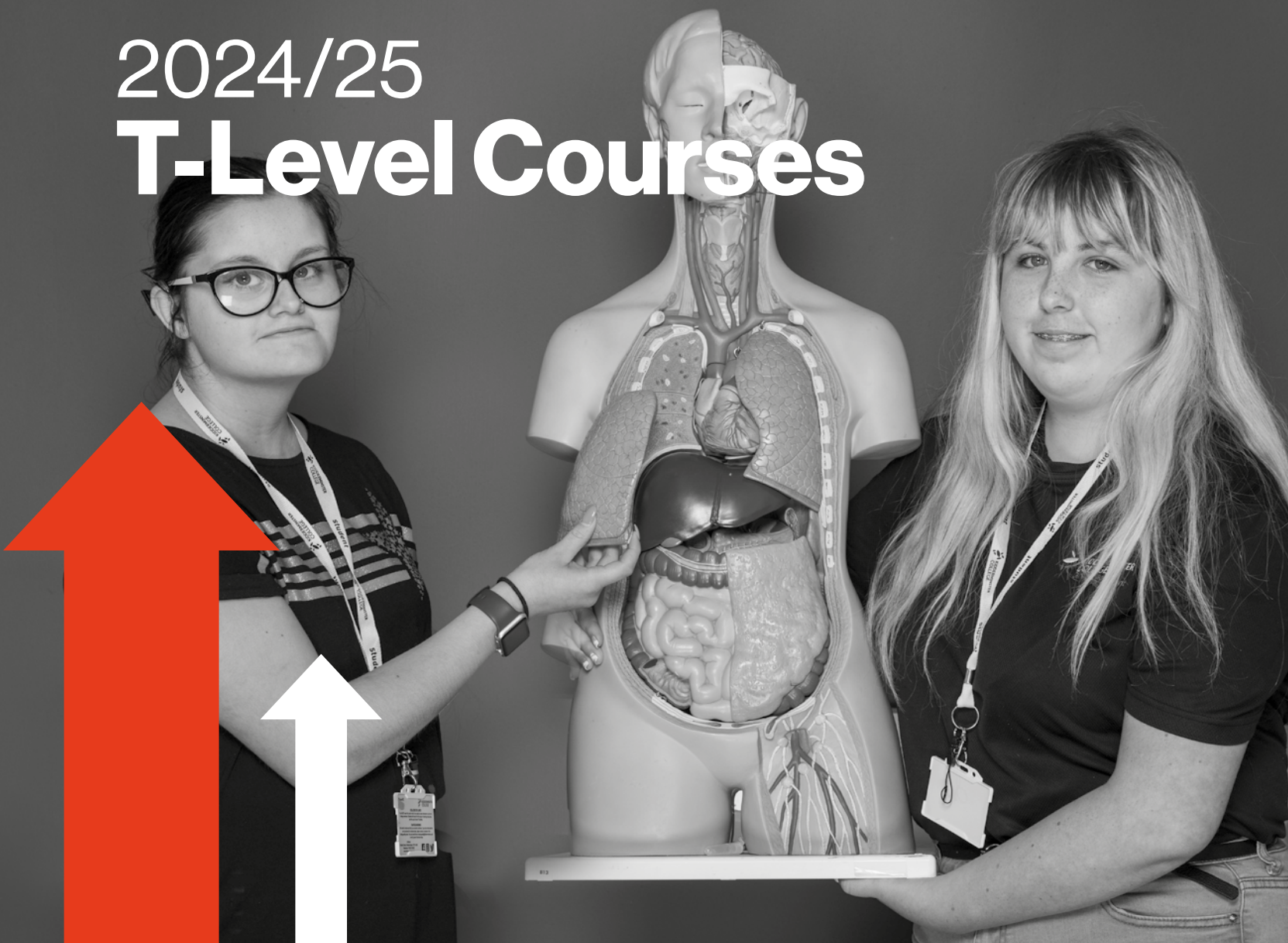
What will I learn?

- Investigating Travel and Tourism
- UK and European long-haul destinations
- Advanced customer service
- Airline cabin crew
- Events industry
- Holiday representatives
- The cruise industry
- Managing visitor attractions
- Tour operation management
- Aviation operations
- Worldwide passenger airlines



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2024/25 T-Level Courses



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T-LEVEL

DIGITAL PRODUCTION, DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

The core element of a T Level in Digital Production, Design and Development will allow you to develop your knowledge and understanding in a broad range of topics such as programming, coding, the use of data and the different platforms of delivery in the digital industry. It's a fast-moving and cutting-edge subject and you'll also learn about the potential security risks that organisations can face and how to analyse problems and identify solutions through computer programs.

You'll then move on to study the subject in more detail through occupational specialism. This is where you can get deeper into specific aspects of the subject, developing and practising the skills needed for an occupation.

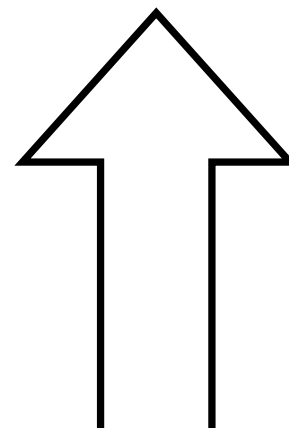
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WHAT WILL I LEARN?

- How digital technologies impact business
- The ethical and moral implications of digital technology
- Using data in software design
- Using digital technologies to analyse and solve problems
 - Digital environments, including physical, virtual and cloud environments
- Emerging technical trends, such as the Internet of Things (IoT), Artificial Intelligence (AI), Augmented Reality (AR), Blockchain, 3D printing
- Legal and regulatory obligations relating to digital technologies
- The privacy and confidentiality of personal data
- The technical, physical and human aspects of Internet security
- Planning digital projects
- Testing software, hardware and data
- Digital tools for project management and collaboration



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T-LEVEL

EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR

Are you looking to start a career in the childcare industry and want to expand your knowledge and skills? Then this T Level as an Early Years Educator could be the course for you.

Cultivate a broad base of experience in the childcare and early years education industry, developing specialist knowledge and skills as you go. You may specialise as an early-year practitioner or educator, an education technician, or a learning mentor (among other career opportunities) or enter into an apprenticeship or higher education degree.

During this two-year full-time course, you will learn theory and best practices from industry expert tutors in our specialist on-campus childcare suites, which

simulate conditions within a working nursery. You will study a range of vital topics, including behaviour, child development and special educational needs and disability. You will complete the course with the knowledge and practical skills you need to build a promising career in the education and childcare industry.

As part of the Early Years Educator pathway, students will commit a minimum of 750 hours on an employer placement in an educational institution appropriate to their specialism. The time you dedicate to this placement will help you put your skills into practice in a functioning educational setting.

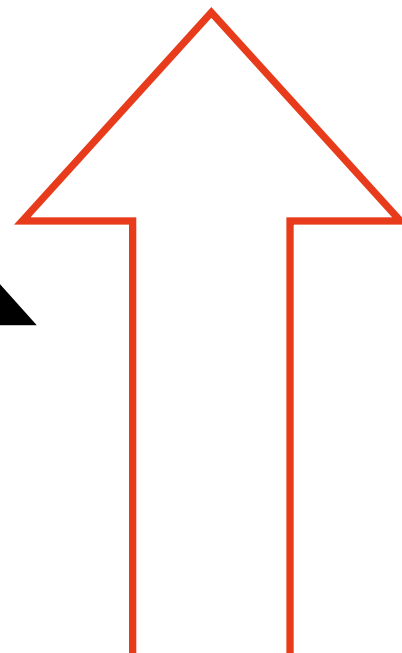
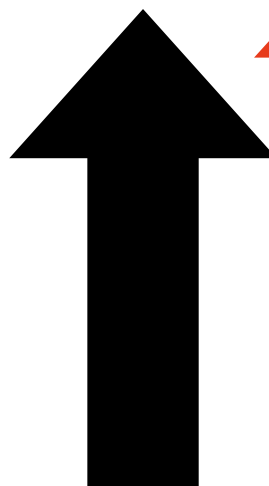
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WHAT WILL I LEARN?

- Wider context
- Supporting education
- Safeguarding, Health and Safety and wellbeing
- Behaviour
- Parents, families and carers
- Working with others
- Child development
- Observation and assessment
- Reflective practice
- Equality and diversity
- Special educational needs and disability
- English as an additional language



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T-LEVEL

ELECTROTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

Do you want to work in the construction industry as a qualified electrician? Do you have a logical mind but also want to work in a hands-on role?

This T Level in Electrotechnical Engineering will help you to develop the knowledge and skills that you need to work in the Building Services Engineering industry and allow you to specialise as an installation or maintenance electrician.

On this two-year course, you'll spend most of your time in college learning the theoretical and practical skills you will need, studying a range of topics from Health and Safety to the principles of construction design, and sustainability to systems and components. You will complete the course with the ability to install, maintain and decommission electrotechnical systems, along with a solid understanding of the industry.

You will be taught by tutors who have years of experience working in the industry and undertake a work placement with an employer for a minimum of 45 days throughout your course, giving you the chance to put your new skills into practice and be prepared to thrive in the workplace.

Alongside your studies, you will have the chance to take part in competitions including SkillBuild and inter-college competitions to showcase your skills.

You will also have the opportunity to gain your CSCS card which allows you to work on a building site.

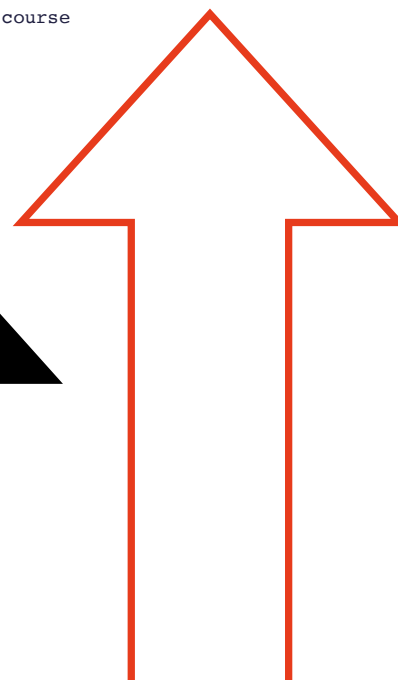
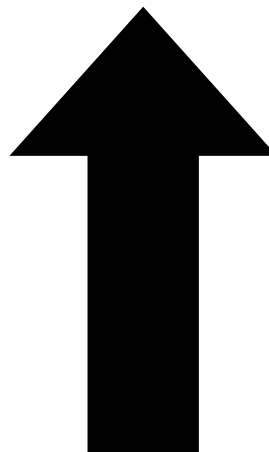
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WHAT WILL I LEARN?

- Key stages of design process
- Insulating materials
- Sustainable solutions
- Technology
- Building regulations and approved documents
- Electrotechnical principles



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T-LEVEL

HEALTH

The core element of a T Level in Health will boost your knowledge in a range of topics such as the principles of good scientific and clinical practice; as well as fundamental scientific concepts; management of equipment and work areas, stock control and storage, and the importance of quality standards, Health and Safety. Health is critical, as one of the fastest growing industry sectors, you'll have a chance to make a huge difference to other people's lives and society, whilst also developing innovative tests and treatments for the future.

You'll then choose a specialism designed to support your interests, so you can get deeper into your chosen subject and build up the skills

you need for your future job. You can choose from specialist modules including supporting Adult Nursing.

Then you'll be able to put everything you learn into practice, with a substantial industry placement of around 45 days, an average of 350 hours over the two-year course. Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study, in a hospital or healthcare setting, and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

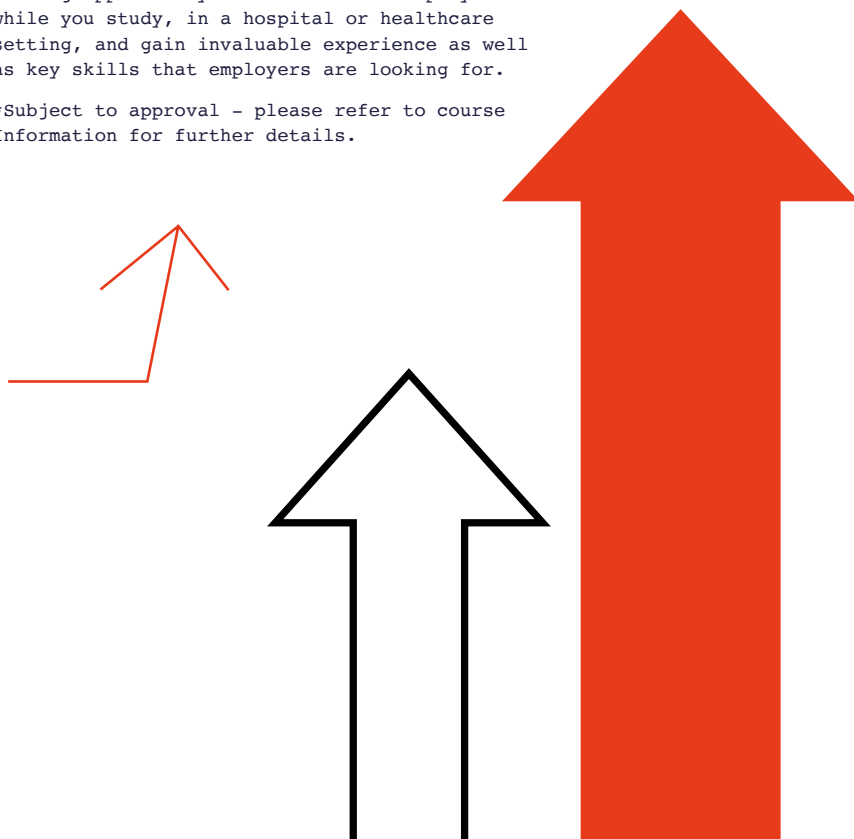
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WHAT WILL I LEARN?

- Understanding the healthcare sector
- Providing person-centred care
- Supporting health and wellbeing
- Further knowledge of both human anatomy and physiology and of diseases and disorders
- Infection prevention and control
- Supporting the Adult Nursing Team



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studentservices@kidderminster.ac.uk

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Absence Line **01562 512011** (with voicemail)

Admissions **01562 512024**
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Student Support **01562 512080**
kcsupport@kidderminster.ac.uk

ELEMENTS Hair Salon **01562 512008**

Open Events

Wednesday 9th October 2023

Monday 6th November 2023

Monday 19th February 2024

Find out more about the next #TeamKC

Open Evening and pre-register to beat
the rush at **www.kidderminster.ac.uk/open**

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