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School Partnerships

Prospectus

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Welcome



Dear Colleague,

At Wakefield College, our learners are at the heart of all we do and we recognise that everyone has different ambitions and needs.

We offer a fantastic choice of courses for 14-16 year olds and some of the best training facilities in the region, alongside high-quality teaching and superb levels of support. Our ultimate aim is to help young people in the district succeed and achieve their full potential.

This prospectus is designed to give members of staff in schools an idea of the wide range of courses available to 14-16 year olds at the College as part of our offsite learning curriculum. We aim to engage, stimulate, and inspire young people. We also offer guaranteed post-16 progression opportunities to the young people who participate in our courses.

We are agile, forward-thinking, and are always looking to further develop our relationships with partner schools. If you require any support with your curriculum offer, please do not hesitate to contact the School Partnerships Team.

I do hope you decide to work collaboratively with us.

Best wishes

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Working with our partner schools

We have over a decade's experience working with our partner schools to provide part-time and full-time programmes for 14-16 year olds that are dedicated to encouraging and enabling the continued participation of young people in education and training.

We're committed to working in partnership with local schools to support learning, attainment, achievement, and progression in the local area. We also welcome applications from the parent/carers of children who are home educated, and aim to offer a quality alternative curriculum experience.

We feel strongly that our courses are relevant for children at Key Stage 4, and are pleased to offer Technical Awards to which carry performance points into our provision. These contribute towards Progress & Attainment 8 as we endeavour to

ensure vocational learning is still for schools and young people.

Our 14-16 programmes offer schools a meaningful and challenging alternative curriculum which helps the development of young people while keeping them engaged in education and providing a clear pathway into post-16 education. Last year 75% of Year 11 students progressed from our school-link provision to post-16 study with us – a figure we're very proud of.

This publication also features information on our Early College Transfer (ECT). Also included are our more recent school link introductions: Vocational Carousel Tasters, and the FLEX Transition Programme. All aim to support the transition of students from KS4 to post 16 education.

We've also introduced a Young ESOL programme which supports schools in providing an intensive English programme for young people in Years 10 and 11 for whom English is not their first language. We aim to develop their skills in order to support their progression to post-16 study.

This is by no means all that we can offer. We also seek to be flexible and if you have an idea of how we can support your school and students, please don't hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to working with you.

James Pennington

School Liaison Opportunities

Our school liaison offer for this year has been refreshed and includes a range of activities that we would like to work on with schools collaboratively.

We offer a vast number of taster sessions, competitions, and other school liaison activities that are available to school-age learners in all of our subject areas.

The sessions are usually delivered at our campuses, however in some cases we can deliver them in school, and aim to give young people an exciting and challenging first experience of our College and

motivate them to apply for a programme of study when they leave school.

In addition to the activities listed, we offer discovery days and campus tours throughout the year and are happy to deliver presentations and taster activities in schools.

To book places, or discuss further how we can meet your school's needs, please contact Louise Crook.

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Early College Transfer (ECT) - Year 11 students

What is it?

The Early College Transfer programme (ECT) aims to offer students and schools a challenging alternative curriculum for a specific group of learners.

It provides students who may be disengaged in mainstream school, or for whom school is not considered to be the best option, the opportunity to complete their final year of school with us at College. The provision is also suitable for elected home educated students.

ECT is a full-time provision where students attend College for 3 days each week and are in-filled into a Post-16 group in a vocational subject area of their choice – typically at Level 1.

Learners will combine this subject with GCSE classes in Mathematics and English aimed at helping students prepare for their GCSE exams in school.

The student will remain on the school roll and the home school are responsible for organising any additional learning or work experience for the learner on days when they are not in College.

Who is eligible?

The ECT programme is ideal for students who are eager to pursue a vocational Post-16 pathway and it provides them with a head start and a guaranteed progression route into Post-16 study, subject to successful completion and compliance with agreed behaviour and attendance requirements.

The programme has seen many successes over the last 10 years and helped to keep school-age learners engaged in education.

We welcome applications and references from Heads of Years 10 /11 and parents of elected home educated students, for those looking to follow a vocational pathway in a mature and new environment.

What next?

Requests for places on ECT programmes can be made to the School Partnerships Coordinator from March 2020.

Applicants will then be assessed for suitability for their chosen course by our tutors, and will be required to undergo an interview and initial assessment prior to selection onto the ECT programme. Selection is dependent on commitment from the applicant to attend their interview and enrolment appointments.

The support of schools and information sharing is also essential to support the young person during their College course.





Diploma in Art and Design

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1 and level 2

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

UAL (University of Arts London)

Entry requirements

Level 1

Predicted 3 GCSEs at grade 9-1

Level 2

Predicted 3 GCSEs at 9-3 including English or maths OR Level 1 Art and Design

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

AND

A genuine interest in Art & Design

This is a mostly practical course where you'll develop your artistic knowledge and skill, confidence, communication, presentation and create a varied body of work. Throughout the year there will be various visits to art galleries and other places relating to your studies.

What you will study

Level 1

Drawing

Design Generation

Printmaking

Surface Design

3-Dimensional Design

Level 2

Creative Mark Making and Mixed Media Exploration

Printmaking

Observational Drawing

Introduction to Colour Theory and Painting

3-Dimensional Design

Time-based Media

Photography and Photoshop

How you will learn and be assessed

Through a series of thought-provoking topics and themes, diverse assignments/live briefs and practical workshops, led by friendly, supportive and experienced staff. You will be continually assessed by your tutors throughout the academic year, and an external moderator will verify and confirm your final grades.

Careers and further study

On completion with the appropriate pass and English and maths grades you can progress through the levels.

Introductory Diploma in Business

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Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

Pearson BTEC

Entry requirements

Predicted 3 GCSEs 9-1

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

This is a mostly practical course where you'll develop your artistic knowledge and skill, confidence, communication, presentation skills and create a varied body of work. Throughout the year there will be various visits to art galleries and other places relating to your studies.

What you will study

- Organising a meeting
- Contributing to running an event
- Researching a topic
- Finding out about businesses in your area
- Creating a visual display
- Presenting a business idea

How you will learn and be assessed

A mixture of classroom based learning and practical activities. Video and photographic evidence is used throughout the year to record progress. As well as projects and assignments based on realistic workplace situations and activities. Learning methods will include classroom presentations, group work, research tasks, exhibitions and occasional visits and guest speakers.

Careers and further study

Level 2 Business or other Level 2 courses.

This course will provide opportunities for a wide range of business careers such as accounting technician, facilities officer, fundraiser, housing officer, insurance claims settler, legal secretary, paralegal or trainee legal executive, customer services officer or retail management.

“ The Early College offer has been fantastic for our Y11 students and the support from the Wakefield College team is second-to-none! A fantastic collaboration that has engaged and motivated our learners.

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Award in Caring for Children

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus and Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

CACHE

Entry requirements

Predicted 3 GCSE 2-1 or below in English and maths

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

This course is designed to give you the knowledge and skills needed to support the care and education of babies and young children in a day nursery or school. The course is aimed at learners who are thinking of working in childcare either in a nursery or a school or who are aiming to progress into higher education to complete an early years or primary education degree.

What you will study

- Sharing learning experiences with children
- Health and safety with young children
- Understanding learning and development through play
- Growth and development of young children
- Safeguarding children and young people
- Activities for young children

How you will learn and be assessed

Your learning will take place through a wide range of activities including written assignments, practical activities, discussions, visiting speakers, tutor presentations, group work, workshops, creating materials and resources, and practical experience in both the classroom and if appropriate within an Early Years setting. You will be assessed to make sure you understand what you have been taught, through completing workbooks, writing essays, producing leaflets, answering questions or through presentation and practical tasks in the classroom. You will be set between 4- and 8-hours homework each week, depending on the level of course.

Careers and further study

You can progress to a Level 2 qualification such as the CACHE Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care or the CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Children and Young People's Workforce. This course is intended to provide a foundation for further study or training prior to entering the world of work.



Certificate in Construction

Provision

ECT

Level

Entry Level 3

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

All learners will be required to complete a BKSb assessment.

Entry 3 certificate requires learners to be working at E2 in this assessment. This programme aims to support transition into the college environment.

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

This course aims to provide a basic knowledge of Construction and to develop and practise basic skills for employment and a career in this sector. This is an ideal course for those who are looking to learn on a full-time basis and have identified that they want to enter the construction industry and are looking to identify the specific craft area for a career.

What you will study

- Principles of construction
- How to work safely in a Construction environment
- How to lay bricks
- How to mark out and cut traditional joints

Moving onto develop practical skills:

- How to carry out basic wiring tasks
- How to carry out basic plumbing tasks

How you will learn and be assessed

You will learn through classroom teaching and activity incorporating IT access. The college has designated workshops and through practical activity, you will develop your carpentry skills.

This learning is supplemented with engagement with industry specialists. The extent of this depends on the study programme and varies from guest speakers and site visits to carrying out practical activity in a live environment supervised and assessed in this environment.

Assessment is continuous throughout the academic year. Theory subjects are assessed through examination. Practical assessment is continuous throughout the year with a synoptic assessment in the summer term.

Careers and further study

On completion, you can progress as a full-time learner to the Level 1 Certificate in Construction Skills or Level 1 in a craft area. A construction worker can earn from £12000 per year and with experience has the potential to earn over £20000.

“

I feel that as an ECT I've learned many things and being supported the whole way by tutors and College staff.”

Certificate In Construction Multiskills

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

All learners will be required to complete a BKSB assessment.

Level 1 certificate requires learners to be working at E3 in this assessment, and to be ready to learn in the college environment
AND

A good reference from the Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

This course aims to provide a basic knowledge of Construction and to develop and practise basic skills for employment and a career in this sector.

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Diploma in Creative Media

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

Pearson BTEC

Entry requirements

Predicted 3 GCSEs 9-1

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Throughout this course you will gain an insight into how the media operates and how it influences our lives. You will develop practical skills across a wide range of disciplines including camerawork, editing and screenwriting.

What you will study

- Film and Television
- Animation
- Photography
- Audio Production
- Games Design
- Graphic Design

How you will learn and be assessed

The course will be delivered through a series of taught sessions and workshops, covering both theoretical and practical elements. Your practical work and written work will be assessed by the tutor throughout the course and internally verified.

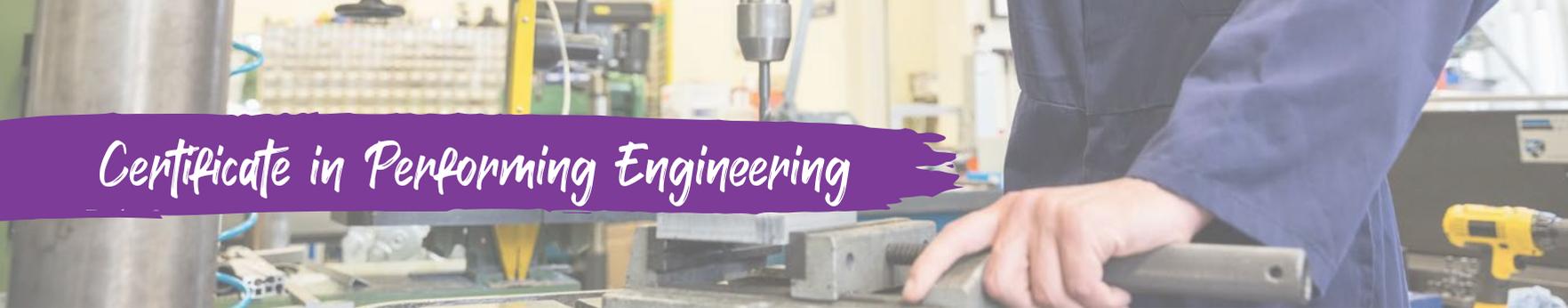
Careers and further study

On completion with the appropriate pass and English and maths grades you can progress through the levels. Careers in areas such as television, journalism, film, animation or photography, film, photography.

“

By attending College my daughter has reengaged with education and her peers. After suffering anxiety and depression we had thought that her progressing any further was just a pipe dream but she has come on leaps and bounds since starting at College.

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Certificate in Performing Engineering

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

EAL/EMTA

Entry requirements

Predicted grades 9-1 in 3 subjects at GCSE including English and Maths

AND

A genuine interest in the subject/profession

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Thinking about a career in Engineering? This highly flexible, practically-based course could be your first step.

What you will study

The programme has three mandatory units: -

- Working safely in an engineering environment
- Working efficiently and effectively in engineering
- Using and communicating technical information

Additional units:-

- Making components using hand tools and fitting techniques
- Using Lathes for turning operations
- Fabrication of thick plate
- MIG Welding

How you will learn and be assessed

Practical, hands-on activities and portfolio building. You'll be assessed through portfolio building and assessment of practical tasks

Careers and further study

You could also progress to our Level 2 course to further your knowledge. This practically based work-related qualification based upon national standards set by industry can lead to a range of careers in the engineering industry.

“

Wakefield College has been fantastic for my son. The communication between the college staff and parents is brilliant. Although the pandemic has forced children to learn from home, it has been really easy to reach out to the college when needed. The practical aspect has been really enjoyed by my son and his skills have developed at a great speed.

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The ESOL Bridging Programme (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Provision

ECT

Level

Entry 1, Entry 2, Entry 3

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September or during the year

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

No formal entry qualifications but you should show you're prepared to give your full commitment to the course.

You'll have an initial ESOL assessment before you join the course to make sure you're put in the appropriate group at a level suitable for you.

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Designed for students whose first language is not English, this course will give you an opportunity to improve all aspects of your English including speaking, listening, reading and writing. You'll also have the chance to take mathematics, (personal and social development, and ICT) delete part in brackets and add 'and employability'. classes alongside English.

What you will study

The course covers all aspects of the English Language and you'll study a range of interesting and engaging topics such as holidays and travel, education, hobbies and free time. You'll also develop your skills in grammar, vocabulary building, conversation, pronunciation, reading, and writing through detailed practice.

How you will learn and be assessed

You'll learn through a variety of classroom-based and practical activities including class discussions, interviews, role play, and speaking tasks. You'll be assessed through classroom assessments, practice exams, regular homework, tutorials, and external tests.

Careers and further study

After finishing this course, students have the opportunity to progress to other courses that we offer within the College. Alternatively, students may attempt to seek employment opportunities with greater confidence in their language skills developed on the course.

“

The ECT course at Wakefield College has made a massive difference to my daughter. For a child who was in and out of school with attendance she has grown up so much since joining college and has really matured and re-engaged with learning.

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FLEX VOTE



Provision

ECT

Level

Entry 2, Entry 3

Location

Wakefield City Campus and Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

You will be expected to attend all classes as specified on your timetable and all personal tutorial sessions. ECT students will attend College for 3 days each week and the home school will be responsible for organising any additional study.

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

FLEX VOTE is a suite of programmes designed to improve your personal, social skills, employability skills, Maths and English as well as an opportunity to sample different vocational tasters. FLEX VOTE will help you to develop the skills you need to progress onto a Level 1 vocational course or supported internship, and to make informed choices on your direction on career options. You will receive a detailed profile of the progress you make during the course.

What you will study

- Personal & Social Skills
- Employability
- Maths/Numeracy English/Literacy
- Vocational Options
- ICT (E3 level)

How you will learn and be assessed

By a variety of practical sessions, educational visits and classroom based learning.

You could be assessed by:

- Portfolio building
- Production of practical work
- Assessment tests

Careers and further study

The aim of FLEX VOTE is to help you to develop skills, improve your confidence and increase your self-esteem to help you progress to a Level 1 vocational course of your choice.

The programme also opens up possible opportunities for the College's employment focused study programmes like Get SET or Project SEARCH.

The FLEX VOTE programme is set up for you to progress onto a Level 1 course that will give you every opportunity for advancing into employment, give you a range of vocational tasters that will further inform you career choices and increase your employability skills.



Diploma in Games Development

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1 and level 2

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

UAL (University of Arts London)

Entry requirements

Level 1

Predicted 3 GCSEs at 9-1

Level 2

Predicted 4 GCSEs at 9-3 including English and Maths

OR

A relevant Level 1 qualification at Merit grade, plus Functional Skills English and Maths at Entry Level 3

AND

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Ready Player One... Do you want to be part of the next generation of game developers, game programmers, game designers, and game artists? Then level up your stats and unlock new perks with our trailblazing games development course.

What you will study

Level 1 – You will develop assets through different projects to explore game creation processes and techniques.

Level 2 - You will study a variety of units that are taught as projects, each project will involve making your own game using industry standard software such as the Unity engine.

How you will learn and be assessed

You will be taught via physical and digital workshop-based sessions that encourage 'learning by doing' using industry standard software and techniques.

You will be assessed through assignments and practical project work that count towards your final grade. Your tutor will provide regular feedback and maintain a record of assessment. All student work may be externally verified.

Careers and further study

On completion with the appropriate pass and English and maths grades, you can progress through the levels.

This study programme is the first step to working in a range of exciting industries including Computer Games Design, Computer Games Development, Computer Games Writing, Computer Animation, Digital Art, Graphic Design and Web Design.

“

The School Partnership Team are awesome! Id give them 11 out of 10 for looking after me and my mates!

”



Diploma in Hair and Beauty

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

Entry Requirements

Predicted 3 GCSEs 9-1

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or
Headteacher

This programme is designed to equip learners with the knowledge required at all levels to start your career in Hairdressing. It offers an exciting range of units for you to study in our modern well-equipped salons, supported by our team of highly skilled, highly qualified tutors.

What you will study

- Introduction to the hair and beauty sector
- Manicures
- Facials
- Make-up
- Shampooing and conditioning hair
- Styling and dressing women's hair

How you will learn and be assessed

A variety of teaching and learning methods, such as observing demonstrations, using online resources and hands on experience of using hairdressing techniques.

Hairdressing skills will be demonstrated and practised in the College salons, where you may work on paying clients depending of the level of course.

Practical assessment through observation of skills and oral questioning. Will need to produce a portfolio, undergo continual practical assessments and complete one external theory examination and one final synoptic practical assessment.

Careers and further study

On successful completion and with the required English and maths grades you can progress through the levels. Achievement of this qualification demonstrates to an employer that you have the essential skills and knowledge of health & safety and customer service to be employed as a Hairdresser.

This qualification could lead to a job as a Hairdresser working in one of the following establishments:

- Hairdressing salon
- Hotel
- Cruise Ship
- Salon Manager
- Self-employed Hairdresser



Diploma in Introduction to Health, Social Care and Children

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

CACHE

Entry requirements

Predicted 3 GCSEs at 9-1 or A*-G AND A genuine interest in the subject/profession AND
A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Do you want a career in Health and Social Care? You will learn about different aspects of Health and Social Care along with gaining skills that may help you to work in Health and Social Care. After successfully completing the full programme of study you will be able to choose to go on to a Level 2 programme in either Health and Social Care or Childcare.

What you will study

- Caring for Children
- Life stages from birth to end of life
- Healthy living
- Activity planning

How you will learn and be assessed

You will be involved in a variety of activities including workbooks, poster work, research and practical activities.

Careers and further study

After successfully completing the full programme of study you can progress to a Level 2 qualification such as the CACHE Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care or the CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Children and Young People's Workforce.

This course is intended to provide a foundation for further study or training prior to entering the world of work.



Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Thomes Park Nursery

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

Predicted GCSE grades 3-9 in 3 subjects

AND

Minimum Entry Level 3 in English and Maths or equivalent

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

AND

A genuine interest in horticulture and a commitment to the course

Horticulture level 1 is a programme that is an introduction into the practical and theoretical growing of a range of plants Horticulturists work on plant propagation, planting, ground maintenance and crop production amongst other things.

What you will study

- Prepare for sowing or planting under supervision
- Plant container grown subjects
- Prepare soil and apply organic mulch
- Water a bed, border or area of plants in containers
- Cultivate land by single digging or forking
- Determine soil pH with colour indicator test kit under supervision
- Plant flower bulbs for naturalisation or bedding
- Prepare and plant a hanging basket
- Prepare and plant a container for display
- Care for a planted area
- Support Individual Stems
- Support plants of wires, frames or trellis
- Sow seed outdoors in drills by hand
- Sow seed indoors in containers
- Propagate by stem cutting
- Pot up rooted cuttings, large seedlings or plugs by hand

How you will learn and be assessed

You will learn by building up skills, professional techniques and knowledge by working in a realistic horticulture environment that includes greenhouses, growing grounds, planting containers and lawns. Class based lessons will give you a full understanding of the theory of horticulture and expand your knowledge for assessments. During the course of the academic year, you will be involved in relevant visits Theory assessment will be short-answer questions and there will be observed practical assessments.

Careers and further study

Progression to the Level 2 Diploma in Practical Horticulture Skills. You will gain the skills and knowledge to work in the horticultural industry as a plant care assistant at a nursery or garden centre or work as part of a professional gardening team.

Diploma in Introduction to the Hospitality Industry

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

Predicted grades 3-9 in 3 subjects at GCSE

AND

Minimum Entry Level 3 in English and Maths or equivalent

AND

A genuine interest in the Hospitality and Catering industry

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Level 1 Diploma in Introduction to the Hospitality Industry is a qualification that has been designed to help prepare you for employment and a career in the hospitality industry. This allows learners to learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment and/or career in the hospitality sector, covering areas such as food service and cooking.

What you will study

- Introduction to the hospitality industry
- Customer service in the hospitality industry
- Food service
- Basic food preparation and cooking
- Preparing and serving drinks
- Introduction to kitchen equipment
- Health and safety and food safety awareness in catering
- Using kitchen equipment
- Food and beverage service skills

Plus, a range of other optional units

How you will learn and be assessed

You will learn by gradually building up a repertoire of skills and techniques, which you will continue to develop within lessons. You will be required to compile a portfolio of evidence that can include observations, assignments, practical tests, written tests, oral questions, witness statements and case studies.

Careers and further study

- City and Guilds Level 2 Certificate in Professional Patisserie & Confectionery
- Level 2 Technical Certificate in Food Preparation & Service.

This qualification will allow you to embark on a career within all aspects of the Hospitality Industry including hotels, restaurants, cruise liners and tourism establishments.

“ I like the independence and I enjoy practical sessions. Julie and the Hospitality & Catering team at college are really inspiring and helpful. ”

Diploma in Information Technology

Provision

ECT

Level

Entry Level 3

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

Pearson BTEC

Entry requirements

Predicted GCSEs 3-1, including English and maths.

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Technological advancements in an ever-changing world mean digital literacy is key to future development. It is necessary to equip our students with the skills needed for the future. Emerging technology is creating jobs that previously did not exist, it is vital to develop students who are logical and adaptable thinkers to meet future industry needs and are capable of mastering new technology.

What you will study

Topics studied can include:

- Using the Internet
- Using Mobile Devices
- Team Working
- Using a Computer in Business
- Planning and Participating in an Event/Visit
- Creating Digital Images
- Researching a Tourist Destination

How you will learn and be assessed

Through the use of a variety of software packages and a mixture of practical and theory sessions with the aim of developing knowledge, understanding and application. Preparation for employment in the IT and digital sector is a key element of your learning. Written Assignments and practical observations/tasks, external (exams), internal (assignments) and synoptic (projects) and some units are externally assessed via online exams.

Careers and further study

On completion with the appropriate pass plus English and maths grades, you can progress through the levels. Skills in Digital Applications provide a wide range of career options, as well as a route into Further and Higher education.



Diploma in Land-Based Studies Animal Care

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

Predicted grades 3-9 at GCSE

AND

Minimum Entry Level 3 in English and Maths or equivalent

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

You can take advantage of our specialist facilities for the study of animal care. Our animal care teaching team is made up of experts in a variety of fields including veterinary nursing, care of exotic species, animal breeding, animal science and conservation. We have a permanent collection of exotic and mammalian species and a number of breeding programmes.

What you will study

- Practical experience of handling, feeding, accommodating and caring for a range of animals
- Learning skills to work in the animal care industry including teamwork, completion of tasks
- using the correct equipment and independence and intuitive when working with animals
- Understanding terminology relating to classifying animals
- Introduction to wildlife

How you will learn and be assessed

You will learn by building up skills, professional techniques and knowledge by working in a realistic animal care environment that includes a range of small mammals and exotic animals.

There are 2 online, multiple choice tests for the Health and Safety unit and Preparing to work in the land-based industries. The remaining units will have observed or written assessments. These could be in the form of posters, leaflets, completing assignment tasks or answering questions.

Careers and further study

This qualification will provide opportunities for employment as a pet store assistant, cattery or kennel assistant, stable hand, wildlife rehabilitator or charity animal care assistant.

This qualification will provide opportunities for employment in any of the following sectors:

- Pet Store Assistant
- Cattery or Kennel Assistant
- Stable Hand
- Wildlife Rehabilitator
- Charity Animal Care Assistant



Certificate in Motor Vehicle Studies

Provision

ECT

Level

Entry level 3

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

Predicted grades 2-1 in 3 subjects at GCSE including English and Maths

AND

A genuine interest in the subject/profession

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

This Entry Level programme in Motor Vehicle Studies is ideal for those wishing to move on to a full-time Level 1 course. The course covers multi skills in all aspects of motor vehicle maintenance including, Mechanics, Body Repair and Motor Cycle. This involves a combination of practical work in the workshops and theoretical studies in the classroom.

What you will study

- Engine operating principles
- Brakes
- Suspension
- Wheels and Tyres.

How you will learn and be assessed

You'll learn through a combination of 50% practical work in the workshops and 50% theoretical studies in the classroom. You are assessed using a combination of Workshop practicals and short answer based.

Careers and further study

On successful completion and with the required English and maths grades you can progress through the levels. Many opportunities exist for technicians within the industry. You could join a small local firm, a major national chain or end up owning your own business. You could work on buses or farm vehicles, work on new models for a manufacturer, go into the armed forces or even join a motor racing team as a mechanic/race technician. Some students progress to become MOT testers and vehicle diagnostic technicians.

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The ECT programme gave me a second chance - I was on the verge of being kicked out of school! Without the support of the School Partnership team I don't think I would have made it through Year 11 but I'm now 18 and onto my second year in motor vehicle with a dream to become a fully qualified mechanic.

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Award or Diploma in Light Vehicle Service and Repair

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

ABC

Entry requirements

Predicted grade 9-1 at GCSE

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or
Headteacher

AND

A keen interest in the cars, motorcycles and the
automotive industry

This course is split between practical and theory work and offers an ideal introduction and excellent progression opportunities for students interested in vehicle mechanical systems, body repair and refinishing or motorcycle service and repair.

What you will study

- Introduction to Engine Liquid Cooling and Engine Lubrication Systems,
- Introduction to Steering and Suspension
- Introduction to Vehicle Braking Systems
- Introduction to Vehicle Inspection
- Introduction to Vehicle Wheels and Tyres
- Introduction to Vehicle Valeting
- Introduction to Battery and Lighting Systems

How you will learn and be assessed

This course is 50% classroom study and 50% practical work. You will attend practical sessions in our fully-equipped motor vehicle workshops and theory lessons in the classroom.

Assessment is through practical workshop tasks and compilation of a portfolio of evidence of tasks completed, plus oral and written tests.

Careers and further study

After completing this course you could go on to Level 2 study or an apprenticeship, in vehicle mechanical systems, body repair and refinishing or motorcycle service and repair.



Extended Diploma in Music

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

UAL (University of Arts London)

Entry requirements

Predicted GCSE grades 3-9 in 3 subjects A genuine interest and passion for the subject/ profession

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

This Acting programme, at Mechanics Performing Arts is for students who wish to study in a lively and challenging environment. As Acting students, you will have the opportunity to explore, develop and test your creativity within a qualification structure which is stimulating, demanding and provides a supportive transition into higher level study or employment in the performing arts industry.

What you will study

- Acting Skills
- Dance Skills
- Music Performance Skills
- Preparing Performing Arts Work
- Presenting Performing arts Work

How you will learn and be assessed

This course is a practical, work related course with academic and theoretical exploration throughout. You will develop through completing assignments and projects based on the realistic industrial activities and demands of acting. You'll have the opportunity to show your work in a number of public performances and will also get the chance to perform in the performing arts festival at Wakefield College. Through performances, practical and theoretical project-based work.

Careers and further study

If you complete the course with an appropriate pass grade with maths and English you can progress through the levels. HND Theatre, offered by Wakefield College, or degrees in acting, drama, theatre arts or performing arts at other Universities. Vocational courses at drama schools. You may find work within a wide range of performing arts roles such as actor, performer, playwright, director, community arts worker, teacher, entrepreneur.



Diploma in Performing Arts

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 2

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

UAL (University of Arts London)

Entry requirements

Predicted 3 GCSEs 9-3 including English or maths

OR

Level 1 Music, Performance & Production Arts

AND

Interview and audition

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

This course is for students who wish to study in a lively and challenging environment. There will be a wide range of opportunities for you to perform in our professional theatre, alongside chances to attend professional performances in both regional and national venues. You will be taught by industry experienced tutors alongside visiting professionals working within the industry.

What you will study

- Performance skills in singing, dancing and acting
- Develop characterisations using movement and vocal skills
- Explore different performance mediums, such as improvisation, script work and devised work
- Live Performances

How you will learn and be assessed

This course is a practical, work related course with academic and theoretical exploration throughout. You will develop through completing assignments and projects based on the realistic industrial activities and demands of acting. You will be assessed through performances, practical and theoretical project-based work.

Careers and further study

You may find work within a wide range of performing arts roles such as actor, performer, playwright, director, community arts worker, teacher, entrepreneur. If you complete the course with an appropriate pass grade with maths and English, you can progress through the levels.



Diploma in Public Services

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

Pearson BTEC

Entry requirements

Predicted 3 GCSEs 9-1

AND

A good reference from Head of Year 10 or Headteacher

Life in the public services can be challenging, rewarding, interesting, and exciting and you will require a variety of skills, knowledge, and expertise to succeed. It will help you develop all these qualities and give you an introduction to careers within this sector, whilst providing you with many other skills, such as communication and leadership skills, that are vitally important in all uniformed public service roles.

What you will study

- Outdoor Activities
- Well-being
- Physical Fitness
- Team Working Skills
- Employment Opportunities for Public Services

How you will learn and be assessed

You can expect to learn through class work, team sports/activities and other practicals, visits and outdoor activities, lectures, oral presentations, tutorials, individual research and group work that will help develop your communication and team-working skills. There are continuous assessments throughout the course.

Careers and further study

On completion with the appropriate pass and English and maths grades you can progress through the levels. Entry into public services careers such as the Armed Forces, Police, Fire Service, Coastguard, Prison Service, Customs or other public organisations.



Diploma in Sport

Provision

ECT

Level

Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

3 days per week

Awarding body

Edexcel BTEC

Entry requirements

Predicted 3 GCSEs 9-1

AND

A good reference from the head of Year 10 or
Headteacher

Thinking of a career in sport and fitness? Our Sports courses teach you a range of skills and knowledge required for progression within the sports industry. They provide both practical and academic challenges which will prepare you for employment and further education opportunities. These qualifications will allow you to develop your knowledge and skills in preparation for working in the Sport and Leisure Industry.

What you will study

With this you will study the importance of anatomy and physiology in sport and exercise. How to plan and deliver a sports coaching session. How to conduct fitness tests and plan a 6-week training programme for an athlete. The benefits of exercise and fitness and good nutrition for sports performance to name a few.

How you will learn and be assessed

On a sports programme, you will learn through class room teaching and activities incorporating IT access. The college has a designated strength and conditioning suite, fitness studio and massage suite.

Assessment is continuous throughout the academic year. Theory subjects are assessed through assignments, group work and presentations. Practical assessment are also continuous through the year, based on practical skills in team and individual sports and the delivery of leadership and sports coaching sessions.

Careers and further study

On completion of the level 1 course, students can progress within the college based on their grading portfolio and attendance record.

Technical Awards - Years 10 & 11

What is it?

Technical awards are broad, high quality Level 1 & Level 2 qualifications that equip students with applied knowledge and associated practical skills not usually acquired through general education.

Our programme of study offers accredited two year part-time courses for school-age learners in Years 10 & 11. These vocational qualifications carry Performance Points which contribute towards Progress and Attainment 8.

Who is eligible?

Our technical award provision is ideal for students who are eager to pursue a vocational pathway. This route provides them with a recognised and accredited qualification. It offers students a head start and guaranteed progression route into Post-16 study, subject to successful completion and compliance with agreed behaviour and attendance requirements.

We welcome referrals and references from Heads of KS3 and KS4 for students looking to follow a vocational pathway in a group made up of school-age learners.

Whats next?

Requests for places on the Technical Award programmes should be made to the School Partnerships Programme Coordinator between March and May.

Applicants will then be invited for an initial assessment, interview, and campus visit where they will be assessed for suitability for their chosen course.

For all school link courses it is also highly advantageous for staff from the two institutions to work together and a shared responsibility for the learner is expected and welcomed.



Award in Automotive (Motor)

Provision

Technical Award

Level

Level 1

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

2 year

Attendance

You will attend college 1/2 a day per week.

Awarding body

ABC

Entry requirements

Predicted four GCSE's grade 9-3 including a minimum entry level 3 maths or equivalent.

This course is designed to build your skills and knowledge relevant to the servicing and repair of motor vehicles and is ideal if you'd like to pursue a career working in an automotive industry environment.

What you will study

- Working in an automotive industry environment
- Using engineering materials and skills
- Remove and re-fit mechanical components
- Introduction to automotive electrical principles
- Introduction to body repair
- Introduction to vehicle finishing (painting)

How you will learn and be assessed

You will be assessed through workshops, written and oral tests at the end of each module.

Careers and further study

You could go on to study the ABC Level 1 Diploma

“

My son has been given something positive to focus on which has given him the drive to progress and be a more happy, content young man.

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Technical Award in Hair and Beauty

Provision

Technical Award

Level

Level 2

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

2 year

Attendance

½ day per week

Awarding body

City and Guilds

Entry requirements

Predicted grades 3-9 in 4 subjects at GCSE
AND

A good reference from the head of Year 10 or
Headteacher

The Technical Award in Hair and Beauty gives school age children a first opportunity to study these subjects in purpose built, industry standard facilities. This qualification can be the starting point to a successful career in the Hair and Beauty industry.

What you will study

The qualification develops the knowledge, understanding and skills in the following areas:

- specific services carried out within the hair and beauty sectors, roles and responsibilities and typical working patterns
- evolution of hair and beauty from use in Ancient times to the mid 90s
- how technological advancements, changes to the economy, and social factors have influenced the sector
- chemistry of cosmetics and biology related to hair and beauty
- uses of design and images for business use
- technical hair styling, make-up and manicure skills

How you will learn and be assessed

Students will take part in a range of lessons including the practical sessions using industry tools and techniques alongside classroom sessions which provide the an insight into the theory that underpins the industry. You will be assessed by practical Demonstration/Assignment, Task-based Controlled Assessment, Written Examination

Careers and further study

This qualification may lead to a Level 2 Diploma in Beauty Services or Hairdressing. This course can help students access roles as an assistant beauty therapist or trainee within a hair or beauty salon or other roles in the sector.

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I feel I have matured as a student and person while attending my College course.

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Flex Transition Programme for Year 11 Students

Provision

School Link

Level

Entry 1, Entry 2, Entry 3 and Level 1

Location

Wakefield City Campus and Castleford Campus

Starts

September or mid-year

Duration

1 year (flexible)

Attendance

Half day every day

Awarding body

Not Accredited

Entry requirements

Identified by partner school as likely to progress to study with us for a FLEX programme

This course is ideal for students requiring a transition programme to prepare them for post-16 learning. It has been developed with partner schools and aims to ensure students are comfortable and familiar with the College before they progress to College full time FLEX courses in Year 12.

What you will study

The course activities include vocational tasters, a range of personal and social development activities and tasks which encourage students to work individually and in teams. There is also a specific focus on developing basic employability skills.

How you will learn and be assessed

Students will participate in a range of practical activities that include elements of our post-16 FLEX provision and help to familiarise them with the College, our staff, the way lessons are delivered, and what they will study when moving on to study with us.

Careers and further study

You can progress to various post-16 programmes with us after completing this course.

Vocational Carousel Tasters for Year 11- Students

What is it?

This provision has been developed with partner schools and offers students a bespoke taster activity on a weekly or fortnightly basis, dependant on the needs of the school.

These hands-on sessions support students in deciding what to do next and we offer a different activity on each visit in the following areas: Construction, Motor Vehicle, Hair & Beauty, Animal Care, Art & Design, Media, Computer Games Design, Music, Public Services, and Sport.

Who is eligible?

This programme is perfect for students in Year 11 struggling to identify an appropriate Post-16 course or at risk of becoming NEET.

It provides the opportunity to participate in engaging and challenging tasters aimed at making students familiar with the College environment and support them to make the correct Post-16 subject choice.

Whats next?

Requests for places on the programme should be made to the School Partnerships Programme Coordinator between March and June. Schools can refer a cohort of up to 12.

Provision

School Link

Level

Entry Level 3 - Level 1

Location

Castleford Campus

Starts

September

Duration

1 year

Attendance

½ day per fortnight

Awarding body

Non-accredited

Entry requirements

You'll be identified by your school as likely to progress to post-16 study with us

AND

Are unsure which course to study

OR

Are at risk of being NEET

This programme is designed to support students in Year 11 who may be finding it difficult to choose a course to study when they leave school. It offers a range of taster sessions in popular subject areas to support participants in their post-16 decision making process.

What you will study

The programme offers a three-hour taster activity in popular curriculum areas in College and students participate in a different 'hands on' session on each visit. Popular sessions are in subjects such as: Construction, Motor Vehicle, Hair & Beauty, Animal Care, Art & Design, Media, Computer Games Design, Music, Public Services, Sport and many more.

How you will learn and be assessed

Each session aims to engage and challenge students, to make them familiar with the College environment and support them to make the correct post-16 subject choice through a series of introductory 'Tasters'.

Careers and further study

Various post 16 options at Wakefield College.



Enriching your experience

More than just the classroom!

We make our courses varied and interesting by packing in extra features like guest speakers, visits and residential opportunities or overseas trips.



Additional information

Safeguarding children

We have a safeguarding policy in place to ensure that all young people and children attending activities in the College do so in a safe and secure environment.

Key factors in this are:

- all employment offers are subject to enhanced DBS disclosures
- no staff start work until all relevant checks are completed and recorded
- all staff must undertake safeguarding awareness training relevant to their post
- College-wide anti-bullying and harassment policy rigorously applied

Our policy sets out the steps we take to protect children and young people and the procedures we would use to deal with any issues. The Child Protection Policy is published on our website and the staff and student intranet and is overseen by our Safeguarding Manager.

All of our members of staff have undergone basic safeguarding training and in addition we have a number of Designated Safeguarding Practitioners (DSP) one of whom is Sandra Lockett, our School Partnerships Programme Coordinator.

We ask that schools or parent/carers make Sandra aware of any previous or existing safeguarding/child protection issues concerning a 14-16 learner before the commencement of their course or immediately upon receipt of such information.

We feel that it is imperative that we work together with schools to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all of our students and particularly 14-16 school link students.

Additional information

Our policies on attendance and standards of work are there to ensure that students demonstrate a full commitment to their study and are ultimately successful. We will expect all of our students to meet our 95% attendance figure and to exceed their target grades.

Additional Learning Support (ALS)

We strongly urge students to disclose any disability or other additional support need so that we can make any reasonable adjustments to support them with their studies whilst at College.

Our team of staff try hard to identify the additional support any student may require to help them study and learn effectively. This could be extra support with English or Maths, communication support for deaf students, provision of enabling and assistive computer equipment, provision of scribes and/or readers, care/welfare support, and additional teaching and non-teaching curriculum support.

We have a disability statement which outlines the access and support we are able to offer to learners. Copies are available from College receptions, the Learning Centres, and the Additional Support Office and can be produced in alternative formats by request, for example large print or Braille. We also recognise our responsibilities under part 4 of the Disability Discrimination Act.

If a student on a part-time student link course normally receives SEN support at school, this support should normally follow them to College. Please liaise with Sandra Lockett if this applies to a student from your school.

If you are making a referral for a high needs learner, please contact the Local Authority SENART department to ensure that we are in a position to meet the support needs of the learner.

Alternatively you can contact our ALS team on 01924 789262 (Voice) or 01924 789158 (Textphone).

Equality & Diversity

We aim to become a fully inclusive organisation, eliminating discrimination, promoting equality and embracing diversity in all that we do. We celebrate the rich variety of people who make up the College community, from different cultures and ethnic backgrounds.

We have put in place policies, training and procedures to make equality and diversity a reality for the whole College.

How we demonstrate our commitment

From the outset, staff are clear about our expectations of students in terms of supporting equality and celebrating diversity. This commitment is further underlined in policies, planning, and staff training.

We ensure that all policies are analysed to address any negative impact in relation to all nine protected characteristics covered by the Equality Act 2010: sex, race, disability, marriage and civil partnership, sexual orientation, religion or belief, pregnancy and maternity, gender reassignment, and age.

We're firmly committed to equality objectives which will make a real difference in the classroom. Planning in the classroom is expected to maximise opportunities to promote diversity and foster good relationships amongst all groups of students. Regular training and development initiatives support staff in making this a reality.

In keeping with our strategic objectives, we aim to: "Connect with our District in order to raise aspirations, particularly in deprived areas." We continue to play an active part in initiatives across the Wakefield district to eliminate discrimination and promote equality and diversity.

Cost

<i>Programme/Activity</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Cost</i>
Early College Transfer	One-year, full-time accredited provision for Year 11 students completing their final year of compulsory education at Wakefield College	£8.40 per hour per learner
Technical Awards	One or two year part-time accredited courses for Year 10/11 students in a range of vocational areas.	£9.45 per hour per learner. Group rate (maximum of 12 students) £94.50 per hour. Group rate (maximum of 12 students)
Vocational Carousel	Part-time, non-accredited course for Year 10/11 students with a weekly taster session in a different vocational subject.	Group rate £94.50 per hour
FLEX Transition Programme	Part-time, non-accredited course for Year 10/11 students in the FLEX department.	Group Rate (Maximum of 12 students) £126 per hour
ESOL Bridging Programme	One part-time accredited courses for Year 11 students in the ESOL department.	£9.45 per hour, per learner

General Telephone: 01924 789789

Course Information: 01924 789111

General Enquiries: info@wakefield.ac.uk

Course Information: courseinfo@wakefield.ac.uk

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All Wakefield College prospectuses are available in text format on the College website.

Alternative formats are available on request.

Phone 01924 789228 for details.

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