

**Class of
2026**
99%
pass rate
with best ever
A Level
high grades



Clarendon
Sixth Form College

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Welcome from the Principal



Welcome to Clarendon Sixth Form College, a college that places sixth form learners at the centre of their learning experience. The high expectations set by the college ensure we are one of the top performing colleges in Greater Manchester for school leavers. Our students have outstanding success, with a 99% pass rate and with many courses performing in the top 5% for value added nationally.

As a student, fulfilling your career aspirations and achieving your potential are high priorities for the college. Your college experience is integral to your success so as a college we ensure you receive the best teaching, learning activities, support, enrichment and work experience. The college prides itself on providing bespoke study skills development for every subject area and grade improvement support to ensure you achieve the highest grades possible. Last year we had our highest ever grades at A level. Our students study hard, attend well and progress onto amazing destinations to university, apprenticeships or into work.

Our Ofsted inspectors recognised the high quality of teaching and the excellent high grades our students achieve across our A Level, Vocational and Mixed programmes. Our teachers are committed to raising the aspirations of all learners, motivating them to achieve their goals and supporting them to have the most enjoyable and enriching learning experience.

It is our role to prepare you for the best and most competitive courses at top universities and the most in demand apprenticeships with key employers. We embed these aspirations throughout the two-years of your study programme to ensure that you are prepared to compete with the most gifted and talented young people at a national level. Throughout your time with us, you will have the opportunity to undertake work experience in your desired specialist pathway, have guest speakers from industry specialists and undertake enrichment that will enhance your studies whilst developing your skillset and academic knowledge.

The college has high expectations of every learner and every member of staff. We work in collaboration with you and your parents or carers to challenge you to achieve beyond your potential, ensuring you progress at the highest level. The ultimate goal is to support you in achieving and creating the future you aspire to.

We have strategies in place to ensure you are able to achieve the highest grades possible. The college's exceptional academic and support package has been designed to help students achieve. It is personalised to your needs; financially, academically and pastorally, and you will have access to a range of first class support services at each stage of your learning journey. There are mandatory grade improvement sessions which you must attend, if directed by your teachers. The support we provide will assist you in achieving your goals at college and beyond. You will study in a safe learning environment, in a state of the art building with outstanding resources, accessible only to our sixth form students undertaking A Level and Creative and Digital courses.

The resources used on our courses are continuously updated and the significant investment in high specification and specialist technology is exceptional. In return we expect you to have **outstanding attendance** to your sixth form studies and to complete your work to the highest possible standard.

The college has a long history of achieving outstanding results across our programmes whilst developing confident learners that progress into careers and higher education as well rounded, happy, well qualified and successful individuals.

As a successful college with a long standing tradition of A Level delivery, Clarendon Sixth Form College was established in Hyde in 1957 as Hyde Grammar School. It became a Sixth Form College in 1979, relocating to Ashton Town Centre in 2015 as Clarendon Sixth Form College.

Come and join us on our journey to outstanding!

Facts about Clarendon Sixth Form College



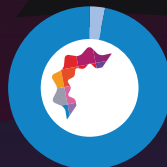
97%

agree that the teaching at Clarendon Sixth Form College is good



97%

agree that their lessons are to a high standard



96%

agree that at Clarendon Sixth Form College they are encouraged to do their best



97%

agree that teachers set high expectations and are motivational



Top performing college in Greater Manchester for digital



Our top A level performers of 2026 are:

Erin Munro

(Alder Community High School)

A* - Business Studies

A - Psychology

A - Biology

Millie Dewsnap

(Hyde High School)

A* - Psychology

A - Geography

Distinction* - Applied Science

Madison Shaw

(All Saints Catholic College)

A* - Psychology

B - Biology

B - Business Studies

Jessamine Robinson

(Glossopdale School)

A - Maths

A - Biology

A - Physics

Violet Hodges-

Blackshaw

(Droylsden Academy)

A - Law

B - Maths

B - Psychology

Poppy Thomas

(Co-op Academy Failsworth)

A - English Literature

B - Government & Politics

B - Business Studies

Our top Creative performers of 2026 are:

Animation:

Nicola So

(School outside of Tameside)

Art and Design:

Erin Berry

(St Damian RC Science College)

Macy Fowle

(Glossopdale School)

Phoebe Mitchell

(Saddleworth School)

Graphic Design:

Alfie Nestor

(Laurus Ryecroft)

Amelie Williams

(Mossley Hollins High School)

Maddison Yearsley

(Fairfield High School for Girls)

Photography:

Nathan Gannon

(Audenshaw School)

Media:

Maddison Ablott

(Laurus Ryecroft)

Grace Bentley

(Fairfield High School for Girls)

Faith Cheetham

(Longdendale High School)

Adam Heap

(St Philip Howard School)

Connie Masters

(Reddish Vale High School)

Jonathan Sadgrove

(Blue Coat C of E School)

Fashion:

Anna Meehan

(Dixons Pennine Academy)

Sharmeen Roxanne

Preston

(School outside of Tameside)

Amie Reade

(Werneth School)

Katie-Leigh Robinson

(Wright Robinson College)

Kobi Williams

(Wright Robinson College)



FUTURES

HIGH EXPECTATIONS, HIGH ASPIRATIONS

WELCOME

All students enrolled on the A Level and full-time BTEC Applied Science Programme of Study follow our Futures programme, which is designed to support you in achieving your goals and reaching your full potential.

Futures comprises of four pillars of support:



Futures tutorial



Futures Plus



A-level Mindset



Enrichment

This inclusive programme is tailored to help you develop the skills, knowledge and experiences needed for success beyond college. The activities are timetabled around the main programme of study including careers guidance, work experience and academic study skills.

Futures Plus supports school leavers with career aspirations to study highly sought-after university courses in STEM and Medicine, Humanities and Social Sciences.

Universities seek applicants with the greatest potential and through Futures Plus we aim to create the ideal candidate. As part of your application to the Futures Plus programme we will consider key indicators such as academic ability (eg: examination results and college assessments), attitude (eg: attendance and punctuality) and aspiration (eg: career goals). Entry on to the Futures Plus programme is fluid as the criteria indicators are reviewed at formal assessment points for all Futures students.

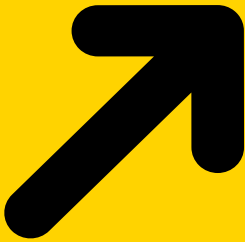
Visit our open events and taster days or speak to your teacher or Clarendon Sixth Form College's school liaison officer to find out more about Futures and Futures Plus at Clarendon Sixth Form College.

FUTURES PLUS STUDENT ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Our minimum entry requirements for Futures Plus are

 **7 GCSEs at grade 7**

Futures Plus will be discussed at each point as you make the transition from year 11. As well as the entry grades we will also consider other factors in your application.



FUTURES PLUS =
ACADEMIC ABILITY
+ ATTITUDE =
CAREER ASPIRATIONS



Futures pathways

Our curriculum is designed to support learners in developing their skills, exploring their interests and progressing towards ambitious futures. The following pathways to success will help guide students when selecting their subject combinations.

FUTURES PLUS

STEM & Medicine



For high-achieving learners aiming for competitive STEM-based university pathways, including:

- Medicine
- Dentistry
- Veterinary Science
- Engineering
- Natural Sciences
- Mathematics
- Computer Science

FUTURES PLUS

Humanities & Social Sciences



For high-achieving learners planning to apply for leading universities (including Oxbridge and Russell Group) in:

- Law
- Politics
- Philosophy, Politics & Economics (PPE)
- English
- History
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Related Social Sciences

Business, Finance & Law



For learners interested in the world of business, economics and legal systems.

- Business
- Law
- Criminology
- Government & Politics

Creative, Design & Media



For learners passionate about creative arts, media production and visual communication.

Please note: Learners may choose only one of the following specialist creative subjects: Art, Photography or Graphic Design. These cannot be taken in combination with one another.

- Art
- Photography
- Graphic Design
- Media
- Film
- English Literature

Education & Childhood



For learners interested in education, teaching, or working with children and young people.

- Health & Social Care (AAQ)
- Psychology
- Sociology
- English Language
- Education (V Level)

Humanities & Social Sciences



For learners drawn to understanding human behaviour, culture, history and society.

- History
- Classical Civilisation
- Geography
- Sociology
- Government & Politics
- English Literature
- English Language

Medical, Health & Forensics



For learners considering careers in healthcare, medicine or forensic science.

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Psychology
- Health & Social Care (AAQ)
- Applied Science (AAQ)
- Criminology

Sport, Fitness & Wellbeing



For learners pursuing careers in sport, fitness or health and wellbeing sectors.

- Sport-related enrichment
- Health & Social Care (AAQ)
- Psychology

STEM & Computing



For learners interested in science, technology, engineering and mathematics-based careers.

- Maths
- Further Maths
- Physics
- Computer Science
- Chemistry
- Applied Science (AAQ)

Every learner is unique and all options are worth exploring and discussing. At the college, we are committed to helping each individual find the right combination of subjects to support their ambitions. Our team is here to provide guidance and advice on all options learners may be considering as they shape their own pathway to success.

What courses are on offer?

A A Level programmes

- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Classical Civilisation
- Computer Science
- Digital Art
- 3D Design & Immersive Environments
- English Language
- English Literature
- Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)
- Fine Art
- Film Studies
- Further Mathematics
- Geography
- Government and Politics
- History
- Law
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Physics
- Psychology
- Sociology

V Vocational, V Level and Blended A Level Programmes

- Applied Science
- Criminology
- Education
- Health and Social Care

T T Level

- T Level in Science (Laboratory Science)

L3 Level 3 programmes 3x A Level equivalent

- Animation and Game Art
- Applied Science
- Art and Design
- Creative Media Production and Technology
- Fashion and Textiles
- Graphic Design
- Photography

L2 Level 2 programmes

- Art and Design
- Creative Media Skills
- Fashion and Textiles
- Games and Graphics
- Photography

L1 Level 1 programmes

- Art & Design

Choosing your level and entry requirements

To support you in making the best choice for your individual needs, we offer various levels of qualification at Clarendon Sixth Form College, meaning there is a level for everyone.

To ensure that our students are successful in their studies, we require them to meet our entry requirements.

Some courses may also have additional entry requirements, which will be outlined at interview.



A Levels

- Traditional academic qualifications which give in depth knowledge of individual subjects
- A Level assessments are by formal examination and in some cases, coursework
- Choose a combination of three A Levels

5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English Language at grade 4 or above



Vocational A Levels

- A Level equivalent qualifications which give in depth knowledge of individual subjects
- Assessed by coursework and examinations
- Vocational A Levels can be blended with A Levels

5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English at grade 4 or above



Level 3 qualifications

- Level 3 qualifications provide routes for students wanting to progress onto higher education or employment
- Level 3 courses are usually taken over two years and are equivalent to three A Levels

4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and/or English or a vocational qualification Level 2 in the chosen subject

Dependent on your GCSE grades, you may be advised to study a blended programme of A Levels and Vocational A Levels.



Level 2 qualifications

- Level 2 qualifications provide a good foundation for students wishing to follow a specific vocational route
- Courses run for one year and allow progression onto Level 3 qualifications or apprenticeships
- Students are assessed by assignment and practical skills

4 GCSEs at grade 3 or a vocational qualification Level 1 in the chosen subject



Level 1 qualifications

- Level 1 qualifications provide a starting point for progression to higher level vocational routes
- Courses run for one year and allow progression onto level 2 qualifications

3 GCSEs at grade 1



(Mathematics and English)

- GCSEs are well known qualifications, which at college are taken over one year
- Mathematics and English GCSEs can be taken alongside any of our courses
- Students who gain grade 3 or below in maths and English are expected to resit as part of their study programme, which is a requirement for university as well as many jobs and apprenticeships

Dates for your diary



**You will be
contacted
throughout the
year with dates
for your diary.**



**Keep up to date with
key dates via our
social media
channels and website:**



www.clarendon.ac.uk

How to apply

Apply to the college via our online application form:



Application dates

September 2026

You can apply to Clarendon Sixth Form College for the academic year 27/28

The earlier you complete an application form, the more likely it is you will secure an interview and place for your chosen course(s).

February 2027

You should aim to have your completed application form returned to the College.

Ask your school careers adviser for support in completing the form, if you require it.

Application process

1

Submit completed application form

2

You will receive an acknowledgement text from the college

3

You will be invited into college for an informal interview or be interviewed via telephone

4

Attend your allocated interview date and time, either in college or over the phone

5

You will be offered a conditional place at the college

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You will be informed of college news and events throughout the year

7

Applicants who have been offered a place will be invited in to enrol in August 2027

Study Programme



Study Programme

From helping you choose the right course to getting the right support through your mathematics and English classes, Clarendon Sixth Form College is here to help you through your college journey. When you come to college we will create a study programme specifically designed towards supporting you and your individual learning needs.

ENRICHMENT

There's more to college life than studying. Make the most of your time by learning new skills and making new friends through our wide range of enrichment activities such as sports, fitness and volunteering.

TUTORIALS

As part of your study programme you will be assigned a progress tutor who will make sure you stay on track whilst studying and help you settle into college. Your progress will be reviewed to make sure you are achieving your full potential and to assist with choosing your next step.

MATHEMATICS AND ENGLISH

A basic knowledge of both mathematics and English are essential for success in any career and especially progression to university. All full-time students are required to take English and maths in their study programme if they haven't achieved at least a grade 4 at GCSE or functional skills level 2.

YOUR CHOSEN COURSE

Choosing courses can be overwhelming after studying so many different subjects at GCSE. We'll give you the help and support you need to find out what you enjoy, what existing skills you have and what career ideas you have so you pick the right course for you.

SELF-STUDY

Self-study plays an important role in your college life as you are expected to manage your work load outside of the classroom in order to develop your own learning techniques and independence.

INDUSTRY PLACEMENT AND EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

Gaining work experience whilst on your course is essential to learning employability skills such as communication, teamwork, problem solving and decision making that will help you progress from college into the working world.

The A Level Mindset: VESPA for Success

Developed by
Martin Griffin and
Steve Oakes

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At Clarendon Sixth Form College, we are committed to helping every student succeed by developing the right habits, mindset and strategies from the very start of their A Level journey.

That's why all learners follow the A Level Mindset Programme, built around the proven VESPA model - Vision, Effort, Systems, Practice and Attitude.

Independent Learning and Study Support

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To achieve the highest grades and prepare for university or professional pathways, learners must take ownership of their studies. Every A Level subject includes **5 hours of lesson delivery per week**, but this alone is not enough. All students are expected to complete a **minimum of 5 hours of independent study per subject**, per week from the very beginning of the course. Students are also expected to additionally attend mandatory grade improvement sessions, one for each subject. This is to ensure areas for improvement are focussed on.

Independent study can include revisiting lesson content, completing assignments, wider reading or preparing for assessments. Dedicated time for independent learning is built into timetables, including:

- **Monitored Study**
- **VESPA Dashboard Study Platform**
- **Study Zones**
- **Silent Study**

Each academic year includes **four formal assessment points**, giving students, parents and teachers clear insight into progress and helping shape personalised support.

Through a combination of structured teaching, independent study and the VESPA mindset, we provide a framework for students to reach their full academic potential.

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

We offer the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) alongside the second year of your A Levels as an opportunity to carry out an independent research project on a topic of your choice. The EPQ is highly valued by universities and can carry UCAS points. In some cases, it may lead to a reduced university offer.

This is an opt-in qualification for those who want to build their knowledge on a specialist subject of your choosing.

Your project can explore any area you're passionate about – whether it's quantum physics, global issues, psychology or something entirely unique to you. You will have weekly lessons to develop key research and academic skills, including referencing, critical thinking and managing a long-term project.

You'll be supported throughout by a supervisor, who will meet with you regularly to guide your progress. The EPQ is a written research report (including scientific research) Entry to the EPQ is based on strong academic performance and good attendance in Year 12.





Student Hub.



Learning Support



Learning Hub

Learning Hub:

The Learning Hubs are where library services combine with IT facilities. If you need somewhere quiet to study using networked PCs and possibly need some help using the technology then the Learning Hubs are for you. We also stock the relevant books for your course that you can borrow, while eBooks and other online resources are available via Microsoft Teams.

Learning Support

Our Learning Support facilitators provide help you might need to succeed on your course and develop your skills for the future. We offer a range of support to meet your needs if you have a difficulty, disability or medical condition.

If you have specific disabilities/difficulties like: Dyslexia, Dyspraxia, Autism, hearing/visual/physical difficulties, ADHD or medical conditions our team will support you to make sure you are successful on your course and in every aspect of college life.

Financial Support

We are a great first stop if you're looking for help or support and aren't quite sure who to turn to. Our team can guide you towards the information you need and connect you with any financial support available to you throughout your college journey. This could include help with everyday costs such as meals, travel, or other essential expenses that make it essential to help you complete your course.

Wellbeing

Our Wellbeing team is here to support you with any personal issues that may affect your time at college. Whether problems feel big or small, everyone sometimes needs support. If you are experiencing difficulties at home or college, feeling stressed, anxious, under pressure, face cyber issue or unsafe, our team is here to listen and help you manage these situations.



Wellbeing



Enquiries & Financial Support

Progress Tutors



Progress Tutors.

Our Progress Tutors provide support and guidance through the tutorial programme. They will help you stay on track with your course, review your progress and support your personal development and help you in achieving your goals and planning for your future.

Employability, Industry Placement and Enrichment

Start building your career and enhance your employability skills with industry work placements and employability activities, such as guest speakers, mock interviews and employer workshops. The Employability Team will support and guide you to be work ready, building the skills needed for a successful career and future workforce. From taking part in an industry work placement to volunteering and actively contributing to your local community or being a member of a college sports team, there are lots of ways to enrich your college experience.

Careers and Progression

Our qualified Careers Advisers provide impartial information, advice and guidance to help you make informed decisions about your future. We can support you with choosing the right course or career pathway, progressing to further study or training, exploring apprenticeships and job opportunities, applying to university through UCAS, improving your CV and professional profile, whether you already know your next step or are still exploring your options, we are here to support you every step of the way.



Work Experience & Enrichment

Careers.



University courses at Tameside College

Many students progress to university after college. Do you want to stay local and still study a degree or higher education qualification? Alternatively you can choose to study in a wide range of universities in the UK or worldwide.

Tameside College offers the following Higher Education courses:

HTQ in Computing – Cyber pathway
HTQ in Computing
HTQ in Mechanical Engineering
HTQ in Electrical Engineering
Certificate in Education (University of Huddersfield)
Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (University of Huddersfield)
Post Graduate Certificate in Education (University of Huddersfield)
Post Graduate Diploma in Education

You can apply to your chosen university, or to Tameside College for one of the above courses, via www.ucas.co.uk/apply (fees apply). Alternatively, Tameside College also offer direct applications via our website <https://he.tameside.ac.uk/>

If you need support in completing an application, then please visit the college's careers advisers who will be able to assist you.

You can also progress into employment in the relevant fields; see course details for progression routes for particular courses.

We also offer a range of Access to Higher Education courses such as Nursing/ Midwifery, Social Science, Teaching, Science/Allied Medical Professions and Computing. Access to HE courses help prepare people for study at university.

GREATER MANCHESTER

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University courses at Tameside College

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We also run a range of HE modules, where you can choose to study one module at a time – building your skills at a pace that works for you. Each module offers practical, career-focused learning and many can be taken as standalone Higher Technical Qualification (HTQ) modules, giving you recognised, job-ready skills without the need to enrol on a full programme.

Construction Design Project

Engineering Design

Principles of Business Sustainability

Fundamentals of AI and Intelligent Systems

Cyber Security

Digital Sustainability

Digital Forensics

Travel and transport

Clarendon Sixth Form College is at the heart of Ashton town centre, so it's easy to get to by all forms of public transport. Only seconds from Ashton's transport hub, Clarendon Sixth Form College is accessible from various locations across Manchester.



By bus:

Free bus travel for 16-18s with "Our Pass"

Ashton Interchange has numerous bus services that run every 15 minutes.



By train:

Trains run frequently between Ashton-under-Lyne and Manchester, with the journey taking around 10 minutes.



By tram:

Trams run every 12 minutes from Manchester to Ashton. The direct line from MediaCity, passing through Piccadilly, takes around 40 minutes.



Cycling:

The college has a number of cycle stores for students to use. There are also cycle hubs located in Ashton town centre.



Creative Industries

YOU COULD BE A...



- ✓ Artist
- ✓ Film maker
- ✓ Editor
- ✓ Journalist
- ✓ Graphic designer
- ✓ Web designer
- ✓ Fashion designer
- ✓ Stylist
- ✓ TV producer
- ✓ Videographer
- ✓ Animator
- ✓ Illustrator

FACTS:

48,000

employed in the creative industry in GM

35.4%

growth meaning lots of new opportunities for the future

250

creative businesses are located in MediaCityUK

No. 1

largest digital and creative sector outside London is GM

PROGRESSION

AVERAGE

Employment salary:

£40k

University study:

3 years

Apprenticeship:

18 months



FUTURES 
HIGH EXPECTATIONS,
HIGH ASPIRATIONS

Creative Industries Student Success



Name:

Jonathan Sadgrove

Previous school:

Blue Coat C of E School

Studied:

Media

Destination:

Apprenticeship in postproduction



My dream is to become a film director. I love to see ideas and concepts made into production.



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A Level **Digital Art**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This A Level will allow you to explore digital and creative practices across more than one discipline, making it ideal for those with varied interests and strengths. You will investigate, experiment, design and produce work using digital processes and visual communication methods, while building confidence in image-making, editing, layout, sequencing, visual identity and creative problem-solving.

Progression to:

After completing A Level Digital Art, students can progress to higher education or employment in areas such as graphic design, photography, visual communication, illustration, digital media, advertising, creative direction, film and media, animation, games design, art foundation.

A Level **Film Studies**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

A Level Film Studies will not only change the way you watch film, but more importantly it will challenge you to think in new ways and question or change your perspective on a whole host of issues, for example, representation, ideology and perspective.

You will analyse how films create meaning through cinematography, editing, sound, mise-en-scène, performance and narrative, while also considering the social, political and historical contexts in which films are made and viewed. You will be able to put what you learn into practice by making short films and writing screenplays.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto higher education, where you can expand your theoretical and technical skills. Future careers include: filmmaking, directing, producing, editing, broadcasting, journalism, teaching and education.

A Level **Fine Art**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This A Level encourages creativity, sustained investigation and analysis, experimentation and design and making as a means of developing technical and expressive skills.

Fine Art is traditionally known for painting and drawing. You will be given the opportunity to discover ways of working in these areas but this A Level also includes printmaking, 3D and 2D methods, digital media, mixed media and installation art. From suggested starting points and workshop delivery you will be encouraged to develop as a high level thinker and creative interpreter. Underpinning your work will be the development of vital drawing skills and the appreciation of a broad range of other artists work.

Progression to:

After completing A Level Fine Art, students go on to university to continue studies in this area. Following graduation, students enter a range of employment opportunities such as: multiple design fields, photography, artist, printmaking, set designer or an apprenticeship.

A Level **3D Design and Immersive Environments**

Duration 2 years

About the course

3D Design and Immersive Environments is a creative, industry-focused course exploring how ideas for spaces, environments and experiences are developed from initial concept through to physical and digital outcomes. Blending elements of art, architecture, graphic design, environment design, 3D asset creation and immersive technology, you will learn how to communicate, visualise and build ideas using a wide range of traditional and digital techniques.

Progression to:

You could continue your studies at university in areas such as architecture, architectural visualisation, interior or spatial design, environment design, games art, 3D modelling, immersive media, virtual production or related creative technologies.

A Level **Media Studies**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

Immerse yourself in the dynamic and ever-evolving world of media! This exciting A Level course will deepen your understanding of how media influences society and shapes our perceptions. You will explore a wide range of media forms, including television, film, advertising, video games, social media, music videos, newspapers, and magazines.

You'll study key topics such as: media language and representation; media industries and audiences; television and film analysis; digital and social media; news and journalism; music and gaming industries. As part of your coursework, you will create your own media products, developing skills in planning, production, and post-production.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto university to study the subject at a higher level, including more tailored degrees such as broadcasting studies or screenwriting for film and TV. Future career options include marketing, education or journalism. You could also progress onto an apprenticeship in this field.

Level 3 **Animation and Game Art**

(3 A Level equivalent)

Duration 2 Years

About the course

You will learn the theory and the fundamental knowledge and specialist skills for animation and game art including concept art, character design, 3D modelling, 2D and 3D animation, material authoring, digital sculpting and rendering; you will also develop your interpersonal skills such as project management and using the creative process. You will develop skills in core aspects of the creation of animation and video games whilst using high specification resources including Wacom screen tablets and industry standard software including Adobe 3D Suite, Photoshop, Maya, Blender and Unreal Engine.

Progression to:

After completing this course, students continue their studies in animation and computer game design in higher education facilities. Some choose other routes, progressing into employment, choosing higher level apprenticeships or become self-employed.



Level 3

Art and Design

(3 A Level equivalent)

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This two year course is designed for those who are highly creative and enjoy producing art and design work. The course explores a range of new, traditional and creative ways of using materials, techniques and processes, some of which you may have never experienced before. Over the course of two years you will work in painting, drawing, life drawing, print, design development, sculpture, digital processes as well as contextual studies. There is also the opportunity to explore design disciplines. You will be introduced to a variety of media and techniques that will broaden and strengthen your knowledge and understanding within this creative sector. You will develop your own practice as an artist and be encouraged to investigate new ideas and processes.

Progression to:

This course provides a supportive transition from further to higher education within art and design. Following on from this, students enter a range of employment opportunities for example; multiple design fields, photography, artist, printmaker or set designer. Some also progress to higher level apprenticeships too.

Level 3

Creative Media Production and Technology

(3 A Level equivalent)

Duration 2 Years

About the course

On this exciting course, you'll bring your ideas to life through projects like producing your own advertisements, music videos, and short films. You'll even design and launch your own website before taking on a final major project where you take the lead – with full creative freedom to showcase your vision. Whether you dream of becoming a director, producer, editor, camera operator, or content creator, this course will give you the skills, confidence, and professional portfolio to carve out your career path. Throughout the course, you'll gain hands-on experience using the latest industry-standard digital equipment and software.

Progression to:

Some of our students go straight into the media industry. Others go onto an apprenticeship or higher education courses such as media production, radio production, graphic design or film production.

Level 3 **Fashion and Textiles**

(3 A Level equivalent)

Duration 2 Years

About the course

You will explore all aspects of the industry from concept design to production, supported and guided by industry experienced specialist staff. In our purpose built studios you will have access to industrial standard equipment and resources. You will cover trend forecasting, range design and development, fashion branding, specialist pattern cutting and garment construction, textile design and development, and presentation and portfolio techniques

Progression to:

After completing this course, students go on to higher education or an apprenticeship with a range of fashion and textiles related subjects. Students also enter a range of employment opportunities such as multiple design fields, costume design, fashion retailing and manufacturing.

Level 3 **Graphic Design**

(3 A Level equivalent)

Duration 2 Years

About the course

Are you a creative person with a passion for design? Do you want to do and learn more? On this course you will learn how to use visual communication (still, moving and interactive text and imagery) to sell, promote or influence an audience into consuming a product, service or idea across a range of platforms. The graphic design two year course is an in depth and creatively challenging course which gives you the opportunity to explore all aspects of design, learning the tricks of the trade as you experience and practice with a range of creative techniques, processes and ideas. You will learn how to use software such as Adobe Creative Cloud and more. All this will allow you to generate a huge body of work and create a portfolio tailored to your progression goals.

Progression to:

Following this course, you can progress onto a range of creative courses at university. Course choices include graphic design, photography, architecture, animation and illustration. You can also progress into employment or do an apprenticeship.



Level 3

Photography

(3 A Level equivalent)

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This two year course is designed to challenge and inspire you, building the creative and technical skills needed for university or employment. You'll work with the latest digital cameras and editing software, explore traditional techniques in our specialist darkroom and refine your style using professional studio lighting and equipment. From portraits and fashion to documentary and experimental photography, you'll have the freedom to develop your creative voice through practical projects. You'll also produce a final major project in your second year to showcase your progress and prepare you for the next stage of your creative journey.

Progression to:

Our students have made excellent journeys following on from the successful completion of this course. Most students choose to go onto further study at university, others choose to go into employment or a higher level apprenticeship.



Level 2

Art and Design

Duration 1 Year

About the course

This course is ideal for those who don't have a great deal of art and design experience and wish to develop their practical skills and knowledge further or for those who require a portfolio of work in order to progress onto one of our Level 3 courses. You will have the opportunity to explore your creative responses through paint, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, photography or digital media through a series of art and design activities. You will be introduced to a range of specialist areas such as graphics, fine art, textiles, fashion, photography, print-making and 3D work.

Progression to:

After completing this course, you may go on to one of our Level 3 courses in creative studies. Others may progress into other subject areas, higher level apprenticeships or employment.

Level 2

Creative Media Skills

Duration 1 Year

About the course

This one year course is designed to introduce you to the world of theoretical and practical media work. You'll gain hands-on experience across a range of formats and genres, including short films, documentaries, TV adverts, and music videos. Whether you're behind the camera, editing a scene, or pitching your next big idea, you'll develop a well-rounded understanding of the media production process. Each unit will require research skills, planning and practical hands on media production. The course encourages creative ideas which you will develop into real video or print design pieces.

Progression to:

After successful completion of this course, students go on to a variety of Level 3 courses in creative studies. Some may progress into other subject areas within the college, higher level apprenticeships or employment.



Level 2 **Fashion and Textiles**

Duration 1 Year

About the course

Excited to design and make your own garments? Looking forward to a career in the fashion industry? Level 2 Fashion will support you to achieve these goals.

On this one year course, you will be introduced to a wide range of fashion and textiles skills, techniques and processes to develop you as a designer. You will explore and develop your creative ideas supported by industry experienced staff, preparing you for your next steps towards your dream future. You will have access to our professional design studios and industry standard equipment, ultimately displaying your work on the catwalk at the end of year fashion show.

Progression to:

You will be able to progress to our level 3 fashion and textiles course upon successful completion. You can also progress onto any other level 3 creative qualification.

Level 2 **Games and Graphics**

Duration 1 Year

About the course

Are you passionate about games, characters and bringing ideas to life through concept designs? Or are you interested in becoming a graphic designer, creating logos, layouts and advertisement images?

You will explore skills in photo manipulation, digital typography, composition and layout design as part of your graphic design work. In game art, you will learn about character and environment design and explore the basics of 3D design using voxels. You will use industry-standard software such as Adobe Creative Suite and MagicaVoxel in our fully equipped digital suites.

Build fundamental skills in graphic design, digital image making and game art through practical workshops and project work.

Progression to:

After successful completion of this course, students go on to a variety of Level 3 courses in creative studies. Some may progress into other subject areas within the college, higher level apprenticeships or employment.

Level 2 Photography

Duration 1 Year

About the course

This one year course introduces you to the exciting opportunities within photography, media and the wider creative industries.

You will explore photography using DSLR and mirrorless camera equipment in our fully equipped photo studio, while learning how to edit your work professionally using Adobe Photoshop and Lightroom. Master camera controls, composition, exposure and creative image-making techniques. Explore studio lighting, portraiture, fashion, documentary and creative storytelling. Plan, shoot, review and refine your own photographic projects in response to creative briefs.

Progression to:

Students progress onto a variety of Level 3 courses in creative studies. Some may progress into other subject areas within the college, higher level apprenticeships or employment.

Level 1 Art and Design

Duration 1 Year

About the course

Are you passionate about art and design? This full-time, immersive creative course offers the perfect opportunity to explore and expand your interests. You'll develop and challenge your imagination within a structured environment that builds a strong foundation of skills and knowledge. The course aims to boost your self-confidence while helping you understand the career opportunities and demands in the creative industries. You'll have access to industry-standard art studios, whilst benefitting from a range of other creative classrooms and equipment.

Progression to:

On completion of the level 1 course, you can progress to a variety of level 2 qualifications with the aim of employment or university progression.



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Business

YOU COULD BE A...



- ✓ Entrepreneur
- ✓ Human Resources Manager
- ✓ Marketing Manager
- ✓ Accountant
- ✓ Executive
- ✓ Sales Manager
- ✓ Business Analyst

FACTS:

No. 1

business hub
in the UK is
GM

60,000

more jobs
available by
2028

114,000

jobs created in
the last 3 years

65%

of A Level business
students in GM
progress to
degrees

PROGRESSION

AVERAGE

Employment salary:

£34k

University study:

3 years

Apprenticeship:

2 years



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HIGH EXPECTATIONS,
HIGH ASPIRATIONS

Business Student Success



Name:

Oyekunmi Oyeniyi

Previous school:

East Manchester Academy

Studied:

**Business Studies, Psychology,
Health & Social Care**

Destination:

Gap year, to gain work experience



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A Level **Business Studies**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

Business is the study of organisational management within an economic context. The course covers a wide range of topics including marketing and people, managing business activities, business decisions and strategy and global business.

This includes tactical approaches towards leadership and management, business marketing, operations and finance, as well as Human Resources (the management of people). You will deepen your understanding of business management through exploring strategies. This course will help develop your analytical skills, financial and numerical acumen, as well as building the knowledge you'll need to succeed in the working world.

Progression to:

This qualification will allow you to further your study through an apprenticeship or degree level study in related fields including: accountancy, business management, international trade, commercial law, marketing, finance and HR.



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Computing

YOU COULD BE A...



- ✓ Software developer
- ✓ Data scientist
- ✓ Cyber security professional
- ✓ Content manager
- ✓ Game developer
- ✓ Hardware engineer
- ✓ Technical support
- ✓ Telecomms
- ✓ Web designer/developer

FACTS:

2.17m
employees in
tech roles

31,000
new tech jobs
each year

5.7%
of digital jobs
are held by 16-
24 year olds

86%
increase in
AI roles

PROGRESSION

AVERAGE

Employment salary:

£45k

University study:

3 years

Apprenticeship:

2 years



FUTURES 
HIGH EXPECTATIONS,
HIGH ASPIRATIONS

Computing Student Success



Name:

Maja Kosciesza

Previous school:

All Saints Catholic College

Studied:

Computer Science, Business, Graphics

Destination:

Apprenticeship in ICT



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would like to
become a
cyber security
analyst."**

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A Level **Computer Science**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

The aim of this qualification is to enable you to develop an understanding and ability to apply the fundamental principles and concepts of computer science, including: abstraction, decomposition, logic, algorithms and data representation. You will learn how to analyse problems in computational terms through practical experience of solving such problems, you will have to think creatively, innovatively, analytically, logically and critically. During the course you will use Python and JavaScript to write programs.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto a university course at undergraduate level, an apprenticeship or employment within the computing industry. Junior software developer, data scientist, cyber security professional, or network engineer are just a few of many examples of careers you could do.



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English

YOU COULD BE A...



- ✓ Journalist
- ✓ Proof reader
- ✓ Copywriter
- ✓ Editor
- ✓ Teacher
- ✓ Creative writer
- ✓ Private tutor
- ✓ Public relations officer
- ✓ Broadcaster

FACTS:

250,000

words in the English language with over 1 million definitions

120,000

people work in the education sector in GM

Top 3

skills are communication, writing and critical thinking

88%

of English graduates go into employment

PROGRESSION

AVERAGE

Employment salary:

£33k

University study:

3 years

Apprenticeship:

3 years



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HIGH EXPECTATIONS,
HIGH ASPIRATIONS

English Student Success



Name:

Poppy Thomas

Previous school:

Co op Academy Failsworth

Studied:

**English Literature, Business Studies,
Government & Politics**

Destination:

**Comparative Literature at King's
College London**



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teachers
had my best
interests at
heart and they
have inspired
me to become
a teacher.**



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A Level English Language

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This A Level encourages you to present informed, personal and creative responses to language texts by engaging creatively and critically with a wide range of texts and discourses. You will create texts and reflect critically on your own processes of production, while analysing the texts produced by others. You will explore the study of English language both as a medium of communication and as a topic in its own right, with an emphasis on the ability to pursue lines of enquiry, debate different views, and work independently to research aspects of language in use.

Progression to:

Future study and career pathways include teaching, journalism, creative writing, law, broadcasting, marketing branding or copywriting. You may also choose to do an apprenticeship, gaining more skills whilst learning on the job.

There are over 100 UK universities offering English language and literature based courses, many combined with other subjects such as drama, creative writing and history.

A Level English Literature

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This course will encourage you to present informed, personal and creative responses to literary text by considering the ways in which writers use and adapt language, form and structure in texts; the interpretation of texts by different readers from different historical periods; how texts relate to one another and to literary traditions, movements and genres; the cultural and contextual influences on readers and writers. You will also read and study a variety of literary texts including, novels, drama, prose extracts and poetry whilst getting the opportunity to investigate one pre and one post 2000 prose text of your own choice where you will investigate connections between different writing, genres and authors.

Progression to:

Future study and career pathways include teaching, journalism, law, broadcasting, publishing, editing or digital copywriting. You may also choose to do an apprenticeship, gaining more skills whilst learning on the job.

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Humanities

YOU COULD BE A...



- ✓ Environment scientist
- ✓ Archivist
- ✓ Heritage manager
- ✓ Historic buildings inspector
- ✓ Museum education officer
- ✓ Gallery curator
- ✓ Historian
- ✓ Politician

FACTS:

15%

of people with a degree have studied humanities

No. 1

job after studying humanities is a teacher

180,000

humanities graduates are in full-time employment

25,000

students study humanities at degree level

PROGRESSION

AVERAGE

Employment salary:

£32k

University study:

3 years

Apprenticeship:

2 years



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HIGH EXPECTATIONS,
HIGH ASPIRATIONS

V Level in Education

Duration 2 Years

About the course

If you're interested in working with people, helping others and making a difference, the V Level in Education could be the perfect starting point for your future career. You'll explore what it's really like to work in education, including how people learn, supporting children and young people, wellbeing and mental health, SEND and inclusion, safeguarding, communication, educational technology and creating engaging learning experiences. You'll also develop practical, transferable skills that employers value, such as teamwork, confidence, problem-solving and professional communication.

Progression to:

This course could open the door to university, higher apprenticeships or employment and is a great foundation for careers such as teacher, teaching assistant, learning mentor, SEND practitioner, pastoral support worker or early years practitioner.



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A Level Classical Civilisation

Duration 2 Years

About the course

You will develop a number of skills which will be applied to the classical world. This will include written and literary stimulus supported by archaeological evidence. Throughout the course you will study the following topics: The world of the hero, where you will explore what it meant to be a hero in the ancient Greek and Roman world; Greek theatre including theories as to why it's so important for the Greek people; and Greek philosophy and religion which explores the origins of religions worship and practice in the Greek world, including cult worship, sacrifice and temples and monuments.

Progression to:

This course can lead to an apprenticeship or university degrees in classics or ancient history. Following this, a whole host of employment may arise in, law, journalism, archiving, marketing, teaching, public relations or work on heritage sites.

25 universities include over 200 classics courses, some combining other subjects such as history and archaeology.

A Level Geography

Duration 2 Years

About the course

During this A Level you will learn through a variety of teaching methods which will aim to meet the needs of each individual and accommodate different learning styles for example, case studies, assessments, group work, practical work, projects, extended writing and interactive activities. Throughout the course you will study 4 components in total. These will explore real-world issues and develop a broad understanding of the forces shaping our planet. You will investigate topics such as climate systems, sustainability, governance, population, coasts and places, while considering the ways these issues affect different people and environments. The topics covered are relevant and link to many topical news issues. The nature of the subject is dynamic and requires an up-to-date interest in the world around us.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto an apprenticeship or go to university. Further geography and environmental science are just a few of many subjects you can study at degree level.



A Level Government and Politics

Duration 2 Years

About the course

You will study a broad range of historical themes, examining change, continuity, cause, consequence and significance across different countries and time periods. You will also work with a range of primary sources, historical interpretations and academic debate to develop your ability to construct clear, well-supported arguments.

You will study both British and non-British history, giving you a wider perspective on the forces that have shaped the modern world.

Lessons involve discussion, debate, source analysis, essay writing and interpretation of differing historical views, meaning that no two lessons feel quite the same

Progression to:

An A Level in government and politics can naturally lead to further studies at university, including degrees in politics, history, economics, philosophy and law. Those who have studied this course have often progressed onto careers in law, advertising, the civil service, police, armed forces or education.

A Level History

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This course explores Germany's political history, the Lancastrians, Yorkists and Henry VII, where we will go back to the fifteenth century to examine the relationship between crown and commons during England's most significant civil war. You will also learn to explore a period of history that interests you and develop your extended essay writing skills. Finally we will look at the Viking age as we go right back to the eighth and ninth centuries as we examine the Viking invasions of Britain and consider the legacy they left.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto higher education degree level study. Subjects include history and law, art history and more. Others choose to continue their studies and complete a master's degree.

You may also wish to progress into employment or an apprenticeship.

Science and Mathematics

YOU COULD BE A...



- ✓ Scientist
- ✓ Veterinary nurse
- ✓ Pharmacist
- ✓ Teacher
- ✓ Research assistant
- ✓ Health care assistant

FACTS:

85,000

people are employed in STEM related roles in GM

1 in 6

employees have higher level qualifications

22%

growth in STEM careers

1 in 3

jobs in GM are STEM related

PROGRESSION

AVERAGE

Employment salary:

£45k

University study:

3 years

Apprenticeship:

2 years



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HIGH EXPECTATIONS,
HIGH ASPIRATIONS

Science and Mathematics Student Success



Name:

Jessamine Robinson

Previous school:

Glossopdale School

Studied:

Biology, Maths, Physics

Destination:

**Biomedical Engineering at
University of Sheffield**



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happy with the
results I have
achieved. I can't
wait to start my
studies at
university.

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A Level Biology

Duration 2 Years

About the course

A Level Biology is a challenging and rewarding course that develops your understanding of life at every level, from biological molecules and cells to whole organisms, populations and ecosystems. It builds on GCSE Biology by revisiting key ideas and then exploring them in greater depth, helping you develop both scientific knowledge and practical skills.

The course combines established biological principles with modern developments in areas such as genetics, medicine, ecology and biotechnology, while also encouraging you to think about the social, medical and environmental relevance of biology.

Progression to:

This A Level will support you in progression into careers such as pharmacy, medicine and veterinary science. There are over 700 UK based biology degrees to choose from including, biomolecular science, biomedicine and immunology.

Alternatively, upon completion of your A Level, you may choose to study a higher apprenticeship.

A Level Chemistry

Duration 2 Years

About the course

During this A Level in Chemistry you will learn all about elements and compounds which are made of atoms, molecules and ions. You will study their composition, structure, properties, behaviour and the changes they undergo during a reaction with other substances. You will learn about chemistry, foundations in chemistry, atomic structure, formulae, equations, amount of substance, moles, acid base reactions, oxidation and redox reactions and bonding; the periodic table and energy; the core inorganic chemistry including, reactions of alkanes, haloalkanes, alcohols and organic synthesis. You will also learn about analytical techniques such as infrared and mass spectrometry for identification of compounds; physical chemistry and transition elements; and organic chemistry and analysis.

Progression to:

On completion of this qualification, you can progress onto careers such as: medicine, dentistry, pharmacy or chemistry, forensic science and chemical engineering. 69 UK universities offer chemistry courses, including medicinal chemistry, analytical chemistry and forensic sciences.

Alternatively, you may choose to study a higher apprenticeship.

A Level Further Mathematics

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This A Level will look at more advanced mathematics that will prepare you for higher study in maths, physics, engineering or specified computer science. The course is extremely fast paced and demanding and will offer an exciting challenge to those who achieved top grades at GCSE. You must be very confident with algebraic manipulation and prepared to work on problems outside of lesson.

Once enough core maths has been covered we will move on to advanced mechanics. You will learn about energy and equations of motions whilst applying it to various physical set ups including successive oblique collisions and simple harmonic motion.

Progression to:

The course is incredibly beneficial for those wanting to study maths or physics at university. For those wishing to study at the best ranked universities such as Oxford and Cambridge, it is essential.

Alternatively, you may choose to study a higher apprenticeship.

A Level Mathematics

Duration 2 Years

About the course

Building from GCSE level mathematics you will develop your skills in number, algebra, graphs and trigonometry. The course is split into pure and applied maths with two thirds of the course being pure maths. In the first year you will be introduced to the binomial expansion, calculus and exponentials / logarithms. In your second year you will study radians, parametric equations and 3D vectors. One lesson a week will be dedicated to applied maths which is the study of mechanics and statistics. Mechanics primarily looks at forces and motion, which is of particular value to physics students. Maths lessons give you the opportunity to develop your logic and problem solving skills.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto university to study most scientific and engineering degree courses. Other common choices include accountancy, banking and computer science.

Alternatively, you may choose to study a higher apprenticeship.

A Level Physics

Duration 2 Years

About the course

The physics course explores the fundamental principles that govern the universe, from classical mechanics to cutting-edge modern physics. Key topics include; measurements and their errors, particles and radiation, waves, mechanics and materials, electricity, further mechanics and thermal physics, fields and their consequences, turning points in physics (a deep dive into pivotal discoveries like the electron, wave-particle duality, and special relativity). Lessons are delivered through a mix of teacher-led explanation, class discussions, worked examples, demonstrations, and hands-on practicals.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification you can progress onto a degree in physics, engineering, astrophysics, architecture or geology. Alternatively you may choose to study a higher level apprenticeship.

Vocational A Level Applied Science

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This course is designed for those who enjoy science and want to develop their knowledge and practical skills through a combination of laboratory work, scientific theory and applied learning. It is ideal for students who are interested in understanding how science works in real contexts and who may wish to progress to higher education or careers in science-related fields.

You will study principles and applications of biology, chemistry, physics and practical scientific procedures and techniques.

Progression to:

You will be able to progress to degree level study of biomedical science, environmental science, biochemistry or another science related subject. The course also provides you with useful and transferable skills which can be appropriate to many other areas of study, employment or an apprenticeship.



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Level 3 Applied Science

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This course is designed for students who want to study science in depth through a combination of theory, practical work and applied learning. It is ideal for students who enjoy laboratory work, scientific investigation and understanding how science is used in real-world contexts. The course will give you a broad scientific education across biology, chemistry and physics, while also developing practical laboratory skills, investigative techniques and the ability to apply scientific knowledge to realistic scenarios.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this course, you can progress onto degree level study of biomedical science, environmental science or any other related subject. You can also progress into employment.

T Level in Science (Laboratory Technician)

Duration 2 Years

About the course

If you enjoy science, practical experiments and finding out how things work, Laboratory Science could be an exciting first step towards a career where your skills can make a real difference. You'll develop hands-on laboratory skills while exploring areas such as biology, chemistry, laboratory techniques, scientific investigation, testing and analysis, health and safety, quality control and new technologies in science. You'll learn how professional laboratories operate and develop practical skills through experiments, projects and real-world scientific challenges.

Progression to:

The course could prepare you for progression to university, higher apprenticeships or employment, opening up opportunities in areas such as biomedical science, healthcare, pharmaceuticals, environmental science, forensic science, research, biotechnology and laboratory-based industries.



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Social Sciences

YOU COULD BE A...



- ✓ Social worker
- ✓ Lawyer
- ✓ Forensic psychologist
- ✓ Mental health counsellor
- ✓ Occupational therapist
- ✓ Youth worker
- ✓ Nurse
- ✓ Midwife

FACTS:

85%

of social science graduates are in employment

30,000

people employed in the health and social care sector

68%

of psychology graduates say their job is meaningful

382,000

research and legal roles required in the next couple of years

PROGRESSION

AVERAGE

Employment salary:

£35k

University study:

3 years

Apprenticeship:

2 years



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HIGH ASPIRATIONS

Social Sciences Student Success



Name:

Erin Munro

Previous school:

Alder Community High School

Studied:

Psychology, Business Studies, Biology

Destination:

**Sports Psychology at
Loughborough University**

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enjoyed my time
at college. The
teachers have
been great and
the college as
a whole is very
welcoming.

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A Level **Law**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

During A Level Law you will learn the legal system and criminal law, law making and the law of tort and further law. The content focuses on the English legal system and areas of both private and public law within the law of England and Wales. You will develop your understanding of legal method and reasoning through the study of statutory interpretation and judicial precedent. You will be introduced to the concept of legal liability through the study of criminal law and the law of tort. This will enable you to develop and apply the techniques of legal method and reasoning to analyse and offer answers to legal problems, based on legal rules and principles and develop the ability to construct and communicate legal arguments by reference to appropriate legal authorities.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto many things such as further studies, an apprenticeship or go to university.

Degree options include, law, business studies, politics or criminology; and over 100 UK universities offer law based degrees.

A Level **Psychology**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

A Level Psychology is the scientific study of the mind and behaviour. It aims to understand how people think, feel and act, and why individuals may behave differently in similar situations. Throughout the course, you will explore both everyday behaviour, such as memory, attachment and social influence and more complex issues such as mental health, brain function and criminal behaviour.

A key feature of Psychology is that it is a science. Psychologists use research methods, experiments and data to test ideas and develop theories. You will learn how to design investigations, analyse results and evaluate evidence, including developing mathematical and data-handling skills.

Progression to:

This course will allow you to further your education through degree courses in related fields such as; medicine, clinical, occupational, educational, health and sport.



A Level **Sociology**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

Throughout the course you will study the following topics; families and households, education, theory and methods, crime and deviance and beliefs in society. You will learn a number of skills including the use of evidence to support your arguments, how to investigate facts, and critical thinking. Sociology offers an engaging and effective introduction into British society. If you enjoy debating key issues within society, including the causes of criminality and educational failure then this is the course for you. Sociology offers a diverse range of learning opportunities including lessons that allow for a large amount of discussion and opportunities to debate relevant issues within society today. Being aware of up to date issues within society will enable you to develop a thorough understanding into aspects of society which impact social groups, including gender differences, social class, ethnic diversity and age.

Progression to:

Possible progression options include higher education. Taking sociology at university can give you a whole host of exciting career options including social work, law, journalism, policing, marketing or teaching.

Vocational A Level **Criminology**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This course covers the theories of criminality, changing awareness of crime as well as crime scene to courtroom crime and punishment. Criminology is the focussed study of the phenomenon of crime. The discipline is rooted in the field of sociology but also incorporates relevant aspects of psychology and law. You will study all aspects of criminality from explanations and theories of offending through to the criminal justice system and the role of various agencies of social control. You will take this course alongside other A Level subjects, it is assessed by both coursework and examinations.

Progression to:

You can choose to go onto higher education, an apprenticeship or employment in fields relating to crime and deviance including youth work, civil service, social work or teaching following this course.

125 UK universities offer criminology courses, some combined with law, forensic psychology and sociology.

Vocational A Level **Health and Social Care**

Duration 2 Years

About the course

This course is for students who would like to work with individuals who may be vulnerable and/or require some additional support with tasks of daily living. You will cover a range of health and social care topics and prepare for a health-related career. You will have the opportunity to develop your academic and writing skills. Some of the topics covered during the course are: safeguarding adults, anatomy and physiology for health and social care and communication in health and social care. This provides a stimulating learning environment and promotes positive learning. The course will also help develop those all important employability skills that will help you decide on your career path.

Progression to:

On successful completion of this qualification, you can progress onto employment in the health and social care sector, an advanced apprenticeship or university study, in areas such as care work, nursing and midwifery or a science related subject.

Alternatively, you may wish to progress onto an apprenticeship in healthcare, where you can gain on the job experience.



Social Sciences Student Success



Name:

Millie Dewsnap

Previous school:

Hyde High School

Studied:

**Psychology, Geography,
Applied Science**

Destination:

**Psychology at University
of Manchester**

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knowledgeable.
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supported me
throughout my
studies and I am
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