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# TAMESIDE COLLEGE

## ADULT COURSE GUIDE

2024/25



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## Tameside College



## **N** NO FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Tuition fees are payable by all students. Discounted fees are not available.

## **M** ENGLISH AND MATHS

GCSE maths, GCSE English and functional skills maths and English course fees are free if you haven't already obtained a grade 4 (C) or above in these subjects.

## **E** ESOL

If you are 19 and over, undertaking an Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2 ESOL course, you will be exempt from paying fees if you receive an active benefit (e.g. Universal Credit, ESA, JSA or Child Tax Credit) and are seeking work, or are employed where the earning threshold applies.

## **1** ENTRY OR LEVEL 1

If you meet the unemployed criteria, or are employed where the earnings threshold applies, and don't already hold a qualification equivalent to 5 GCSEs at grade 4 (C) or above, and you need to study at Entry or Level 1 to progress to Level 2, tuition fees will be waived.

## **2F** FULL LEVEL 2

If you meet the unemployed criteria, or are employed where the earnings threshold applies, and don't already hold a qualification equivalent to 5 GCSEs at grade 4 (C) or above, tuition fees will be waived.

## **2** OTHER LEVEL 2

If you meet the unemployed criteria, or earn less than £25,000 annual gross salary, tuition fees will be waived. If you don't meet the unemployed criteria, or you earn more than £25,000 annual gross salary, tuition fees are payable.

## **3F** FULL LEVEL 3

If you are aged between 19-23 and you don't have a qualification equivalent to 2 A-Levels, tuition fees will be waived. If aged 19-23, and you do have a qualification equivalent to 2 A-Levels at the start of the course see the section on Advanced Learner loans, or tuition fees are payable. If you are aged over 23 at the start of the course see the section on Advanced Learner loans, or tuition fees are payable.

## **A** OTHER LEVEL 3 OR ABOVE (NOT HIGHER EDUCATION)

If you are aged 19+ at the start of the course please refer to the section on Advanced Learner loans.

## **H** HIGHER EDUCATION

Financial support could be available through Student Finance England.

## **G** GOVERNMENT FUNDED

Tuition fees will be waived if:

### **(Not in paid employment)**

You are unemployed, seeking work and in receipt of a means tested benefit.

Or economically inactive – (GM Residents only).

If you are unemployed and seeking work, but are not in receipt of a means tested benefit.

### **(In paid employment)**

You receive a means tested benefit accepted by the college; are working less than 20 hours per week and have an income of £892 per month (individual claims) or £1437 per month (household claims).

**OR,** You earn less than £25,000 annual gross salary **AND** the course you are studying will help you find or improve your employment.

**This also applies to all courses labelled level 1 or 2F.**

# YOUR GUIDE TO FUNDING (continued)

## ○ FREE COURSES

These courses are available to all **adult** learners, no matter your employment status, but if you are:

**Not in paid employment and receiving a means tested benefit** - please bring with you current dated benefit documentation

**In paid employment but with an annual gross salary of less than £25,000** - please bring with you a wage slip dated within 3 months of the start of the course.

## ○2 FREE COURSES LEVEL 2

These courses are available to all **adult** learners, no matter your employment status, but if you are:

**Not in paid employment and receiving a means tested benefit** - please bring with you current dated benefit documentation

**In paid employment but with an annual gross salary of less than £25,000** - please bring with you a wage slip dated within 3 months of the start of the course.

## 3G LEVEL 3 FREE COURSES FOR JOBS or GMCA Offer

The Free Courses for Jobs offer gives eligible adults the chance to access their first Level 3 qualification for free. Also any adult who is earning less than £32,200, or is unemployed, will be able to access the identified qualifications for free, regardless of their prior qualification level.

The GMCA offer is only eligible to Greater Manchester residents and allows eligible adults to study a 2nd Level 3 if it's a different subject to their existing highest qualification at Level 3 or above regardless of employment status. The GMCA also matches the Free Courses for Jobs offer for all eligible adults.

## Acceptable Evidence:

### Low wage:

- A wage slip from the last 3 months, which shows gross salary.

### Means tested benefit:

- Bank statement or show online banking from the last 3 months, which shows the benefit being paid into the bank, or a letter from DWP, dated in the last 3 months.
- For joint claims the student must be named on the claim.
- Online evidence can be shown.
- Council tax benefit: letter from the local authority or council tax statement for the current year.

# FREE COURSES FOR JOBS OFFER...

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This only applies to qualifications listed here via the <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/free-courses-for-jobs>



	Course Code	Start Date	Day(s)	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Advanced Learner Loan	Total Fees	Fund
<b>EARLY YEARS AND TEACHING ASSISTANT (TA)</b>										
Introduction into Teaching Assistant and Early Years - Level 1	AL0162MQ/1	28/03/25	Friday	09:30	14:30	10 weeks	BR	-	£150	G
<b>COUNSELLING</b>										
Counselling Level 2 - (Jan)	AL0153MQ/1	07/01/25	Tuesday	18:00	21:00	10 weeks	BR	-	£105	2
	AL0153MQ/1	07/01/25	Tuesday	10:00	13:00	10 weeks	BR	-	£105	
Counselling Level 2 - (Mar)	AL0154MQ/1	25/03/25	Tuesday	18:00	21:00	10 weeks	BR	-	£105	2
	AL0154MQ/1	25/03/25	Tuesday	10:00	13:00	10 weeks	BR	-	£105	
<b>AUTOMOTIVE</b>										
Introduction to Car Mechanics	DL8005MQ/1	24/04/25	Thursday	18:00	21:00	9 weeks	BR	-	-	O
<b>CATERING, HOSPITALITY AND BAKERY</b>										
Introduction to Working in Food Service and Catering	GL8015MQ/1	10/01/25	Friday	09:00	12:00	8 weeks	TC1	-	-	O
	GL8016MQ/1	25/04/25	Friday	09:00	12:00	7 weeks	TC1	-	-	
<b>HORTICULTURE</b>										
Floristry - Beginners Flower Arranging	CF0028MQ/1	07/01/25	Tuesday	18:00	21:00	6 weeks	BR	-	£165	N
Floristry - Developing Skills	CF0027MQ/1	22/10/24	Tuesday	18:00	21:00	6 weeks	BR	-	£165	N
	CF0029MQ/1	25/02/25	Tuesday	18:00	21:00	6 weeks	BR	-	£165	
Floristry - Christmas Wreath Making	CF0026MQ/1	12/12/24	Thursday	11:00	14:00	Various	BR	-	£50	N
		19/12/24	Thursday	11:00	14:00	Various	BR	-	£50	
<b>HAIRDRESSING</b>										
Introduction to Men's Hair Cutting Techniques	GL0186MQ/1	03/12/24	Tuesday	17:00	20:00	10 weeks	TC1	-	£75	G
	GL0187MQ/1	11/03/25	Tuesday	17:00	20:00	10 weeks	TC1	-	£75	
Barbering - Level 2	GL0150MQ/1	17/09/24	Tuesday	17:00	20:00	1 year	TC1	-	£410	2
	GL0148MQ/1	09/01/24	Thursday	15:00	21:00	17 weeks	TC1	-	£410	
Barbering - Level 3	GL0159MQ/1	06/11/24	Wednesday	09:00	15:30	1 year	TC1	£1645	£1645	A
Kerastraight	GF0254MQ/1	27/11/24	Wednesday	17:00	21:00	1 day	TC1	-	£75	N
Creative Styling Skills	GL0240MQ/1	23/04/25	Wednesday	17:30	20:30	8 weeks	TC1	-	£75	2
Tape Hair Extensions	GF0255MQ/1	26/11/24	Tuesday	16:00	21:00	1 day	TC1	-	£135	N
Nano Ring Extensions	GF0256MQ/1	10/06/25	Tuesday	16:00	21:00	1 day	TC1	-	£135	N
Micro Ring Extensions	GF0258MQ/1	02/04/25	Wednesday	10:00	16:00	1 day	TC1	-	£135	N
Creative and Corrective Colour Skills	GL0241MQ/1	16/04/25	Wednesday	17:30	20:30	8 weeks	TC1	-	£75	2
Micro Weft Extensions	GF0257MQ/1	04/03/25	Tuesday	17:00	21:00	1 day	TC1	-	£135	N
<b>BEAUTY THERAPY</b>										
Sports Massage Therapy - Level 3	GL0164MQ/1	28/11/24	Thursday	14:00	20:30	24 weeks	TC1	£2225	£2225	A
Cosmetic Make Up - Level 2	GL0163MQ/1	06/11/24	Wednesday	17:00	21:00	1 year	TC1	£2225	£410	2
Introduction to Lash and Brow	GL0191MQ/1	25/11/24	Monday	09:30	12:30	9 weeks	TC1	-	£75	G
Introduction to Pedicure	GL0192MQ/1	13/12/24	Friday	09:30	12:30	10 weeks	TC1	-	£75	G
Introduction to Indian Head Massage	GL0244MQ/1	14/01/25	Tuesday	09:30	12:30	10 weeks	TC1	-	£75	G
Lash Lift	GF0260MQ/1	24/02/25	Various	09:30	15:00	1 day	TC1	-	£65	N
Semi Permanent Lashes	GF0262MQ/1	14/02/25	Various	09:30	16:00	2 days	TC1	-	£150	N
Brow Lamination	GF0261MQ/1	14/02/25	Various	09:30	15:00	1 day	TC1	-	£55	N
Introduction to Skin Care	GL0197MQ/1	10/03/25	Monday	09:30	12:30	9 weeks	TC1	-	£75	G
Defined Brows	GF0259MQ/1	18/02/25	Various	-	-	1 day	TC1	-	£65	N
Russian Lashes	GF0263MQ/1	07/07/25	Various	-	-	1 day	TC1	-	£115	N
Introduction to Body Massage	GL0243MQ/1	22/04/25	Tuesday	09:30	12:30	8 weeks	TC1	-	£75	G
Introduction to Acrylics	GL0247MQ/1	25/04/25	Friday	09:30	12:30	6 weeks	TC1	-	£50	G
Flair/Hybrid Lashes	GF0264MQ/1	14/07/25	Monday	09:30	13:30	1 day	TC1	-	£130	N
Tanning	GF0253MQ/1	25/11/24	Monday	10:00	16:00	1 day	TC1	-	£65	N
<b>ESOL (ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES)</b>										
ESOL Skills for Life C&G (Reading)	NL0700MQ/1	07/01/25	Various	-	-	10 weeks	TCFE	-	£225	1
ESOL Skills for Life C&G (Writing)	NL0800MQ/1	24/03/25	Various	-	-	10 weeks	TCFE	-	£225	1

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<b>ENGINEERING</b>										
Introduction to Engineering Skills	DL0211MQ/1	29/01/25	Wednesday	18:00	21:00	15 weeks	BR	-	-	2
<b>CONSTRUCTION</b>										
Bricklaying - Level 1	EL0076MQ/1	29/01/25	Wednesday	17:30	20:30	15 weeks	BR	-	£290	1
Plumbing - Level 1	EL0031MQ/1	29/01/25	Wednesday	17:30	20:30	15 weeks	BR	-	£290	1
<b>GMIoT FREE COURSES</b>										
Introduction to Cyber Security (Networking)	FL0091MQ/1	21/01/25	Tuesday	14:00	17:00	15 weeks	TC1	-	-	3G
Introduction to Managing a Professional Engineering Project	DL0214MQ/1	16/01/25	Thursday	09:00	12:00	15 weeks	BR	-	-	3G

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A full HTQ comprises of 8 units per year (16 over 2 years). Students who choose to study the full HTQ will receive a discounted rate for the remaining units and full HTQ qualification, although the 2 units can be undertaken as a standalone unitised accreditation.

For further information about higher technical qualifications, visit: [he.tameside.ac.uk](http://he.tameside.ac.uk)

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# Adult Community Education

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Adult Community Education



Getting involved in adult learning is a great way to meet new friends, learn new skills and support you in developing or starting your career. We have a wide range of subjects on offer taught by our friendly, supportive and knowledgeable team. If you would like any information about any of our courses, please give us a call or drop in to one of our enrolment days, where we will be happy to talk through options in more detail.

Tameside College's adult community education provides a supportive and inclusive learning environment and we welcome all individuals and skills levels. Whether you are looking to return to work, enhance your employability skills or broaden your horizons, please come and visit us.

We deliver a wide range of courses from the Old Street Campus and different community venues, religious centres & primary schools across Tameside to help support local residents back into learning and employment.

Courses are available in venues such as: Broadoak Community Hub in Smallshaw; Stalybridge Big Local Hub; Indian Temple; The Together Centre in Dukinfield; Ashton Library; Dukinfield Library; Droylsden Library; Oasis Community Centre; Waterloo Park; Greenfield primary school; St George's primary school; Diversity Matters Northwest; Emmaus in Mossley; Hattersley Hub in Longdendale; and The Carers Centre in Ashton.

## Our learners tell us that Adult Community Education has helped them to:

- Build confidence
- Make new friends
- Find a job or promotion
- Learn a new skill
- Start their own business
- Improve personal wellbeing
- Progress to further learning or training

The majority of courses are free, some may have fees attached but you may be entitled to fee remission depending on your circumstances.

## What Next?

At the end of each course, we offer guidance on the next steps available to you, this can include:

- Links with Jobcentre Plus
- Information on other courses or apprenticeships
- Advice on employment options

# Courses

## Maths, English & Digital / Computer Skills

Improve your maths & English skills in introductory courses or nationally recognised qualifications. Cover topics such as reading, writing, spelling punctuation & grammar, speaking & listening, fractions, decimals, percentages.

We believe that everyone should be able to engage in a digital world if they choose to. We deliver a range of computer and digital courses. Our friendly classes will take you step by step through a range of computer packages to make some of those everyday tasks much easier and you will develop skills to interact with digital services and handle information appropriately, be safe, confident and responsible online, develop the digital skills needed for the workplace.

## Other Introductory Courses

We also offer a range of other introductory courses which may lead to an accredited course in a related pathway or develop your skill set. We offer courses such as:

- Employment ready
- Healthy living
- Floristry
- Managing finances
- Hair, Beauty and Nails
- Baking & cooking on a budget
- Pre apprenticeship
- Sewing & Crafts
- Money Smart

## ESOL – English Speakers of Other Languages

Do you speak English as a second language? If yes, then we have a course specifically designed for you to improve your English. English is the international language of communication and is spoken and used every day in the business world, across the internet and in popular culture.

We have courses of different levels that will help you to improve your speaking, listening, reading and writing abilities in English as well as helping you to learn skills that are essential in the world of work. We offer English Speakers of Other Languages courses from introductory level to accredited qualifications.

First steps in computing

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Maths and English

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**PLEASE NOTE:**

For students studying on one of our adult or Higher Education courses then entitlement to additional support may differ depending on how the course is funded.

**Please check this entitlement at the time of enrolling**

Please Note: While every effort is made to maintain the accuracy of these details, changes can and do occur. Government policy changes frequently (particularly from one academic year to the next) which often has an effect on availability, eligibility for funding and the fee contribution required. Please confirm the course details when enrolling

We welcome people from all sections of the community.  
In all aspects of college life we value diversity.

