

Rotherham
College

FUTURES FOR

Everyone

**COURSES AND
APPRENTICESHIPS**

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THIS IS Your Time

PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

**DURING YOUR
TIME WITH US WE
WANT TO HELP
YOU ACHIEVE YOUR
ASPIRATIONS.**



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North Notts College, Dearne Valley College and
University Centre Rotherham

Time is something we all have, but what it means to us and how we use it differs so much between us. It can mean time for ourselves, to grow, reflect, and develop skills. It can mean time for others, for socialising, making lifelong friendships, or caring for family. But no matter what our goals are, it takes time to achieve them. And we want your time with us to help you realise your aspirations.

We challenge you to achieve everything you want to do and will support you on your journey of life-changing learning. With us, you can spend your time wisely, putting your passion into practice in our first-rate facilities, all whilst being taught by our industry-experienced tutors. You'll be able to learn in environments that simulate the real world, on courses that have been designed in close collaboration with our wide network of local and regional employers.

Of course, College isn't just about 'studying'. During your time with us, you will benefit from access to enrichment programs, clubs, social action projects, and memory-making overseas trips. You can also make your voice heard by taking part in our Student Union.

How you use your time is one of the most important things you'll ever decide. We are so excited that you are considering spending it with us to take your next step on your learning journey.

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DIRECTOR OF CAMPUS WELCOME

A WARM WELCOME TO ROTHERHAM COLLEGE!



Natalie Dodds

Director of Campus
Rotherham College

Choosing your next step is a big decision, and whether you are leaving school to launch your career, or returning to education to completely redefine it, I am absolutely thrilled you are looking to study with us at Rotherham College.

As Director of Campus, my job is to make sure you have everything you need to succeed, but more importantly, to ensure you feel inspired every single day.

Our campus is a vibrant, supportive community built around ambition. We've invested heavily in industry-standard facilities so that you aren't just learning the theory; you are gaining real, hands-on skills in environments that mirror the workplace, guided by tutors who are experts in their fields.

We take your future incredibly seriously. We know that the choices you make now shape what comes next, and we are fully committed to helping you smash your goals. But we also believe that learning should be an adventure. It's about building lifelong friendships, discovering talents you didn't know you had, and gaining the confidence to say, "I can do this."

So, dive into this course guide, explore what we have to offer, and start imagining where your journey will take you.

I can't wait to see you on campus and welcome you in person.



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WE ARE Rotherham College

YOUR CAMPUS

Based in the heart of Rotherham's town centre, we specialise in providing career-focused training and education. We have industry-standard facilities and courses which are designed alongside local employers so that you can learn the most sought after skills required within your chosen industry and start your career a step ahead.

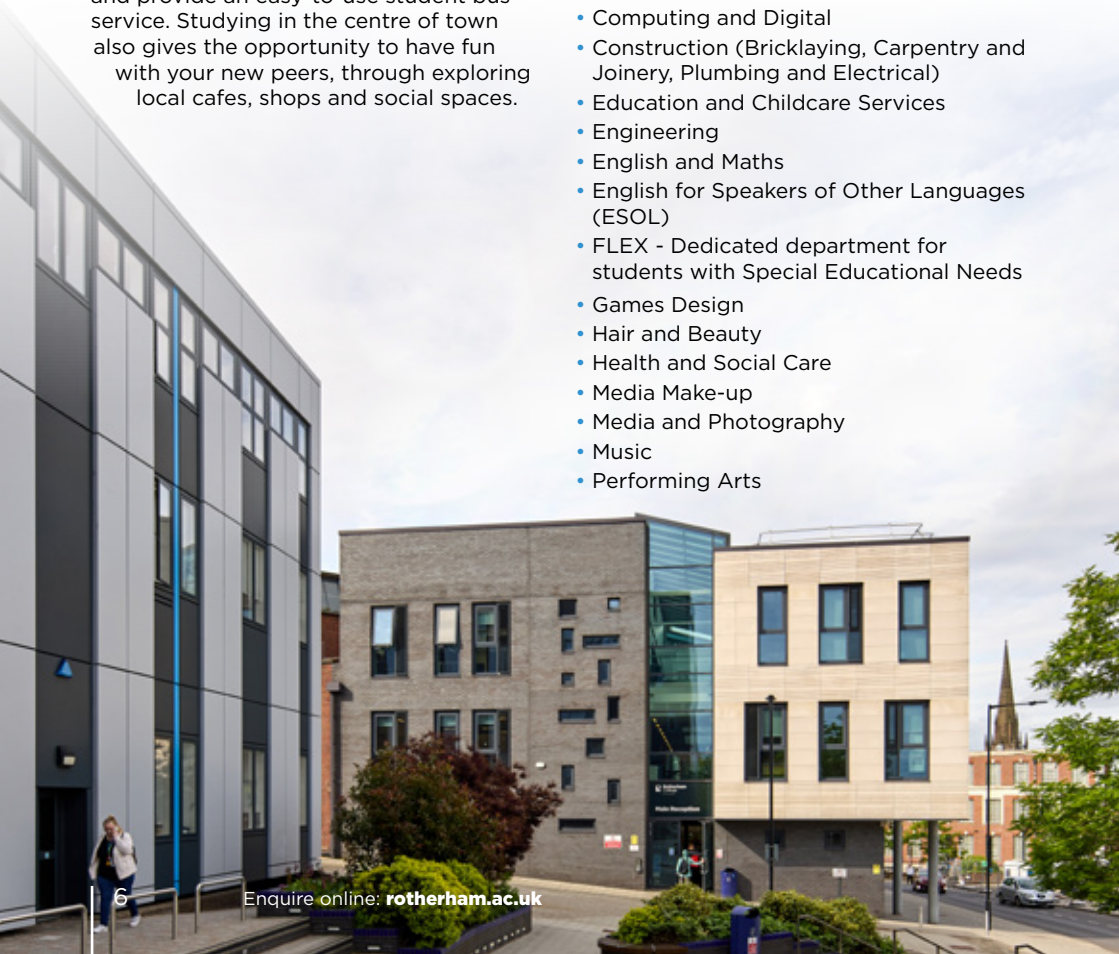
We serve a variety of local communities and provide an easy-to-use student bus service. Studying in the centre of town also gives the opportunity to have fun with your new peers, through exploring local cafes, shops and social spaces.

STUDY WITH US

Our courses include a variety of levels to suit all abilities - from entry-level to degree-level - as well as a range of apprenticeships.

You can choose from a wide range of subjects including:

- Art, Graphic Design and Fashion
- Aviation and Tourism
- Business, Accounting and Retail
- Catering and Hospitality
- Computing and Digital
- Construction (Bricklaying, Carpentry and Joinery, Plumbing and Electrical)
- Education and Childcare Services
- Engineering
- English and Maths
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- FLEX - Dedicated department for students with Special Educational Needs
- Games Design
- Hair and Beauty
- Health and Social Care
- Media Make-up
- Media and Photography
- Music
- Performing Arts



APPRENTICESHIPS

Many of these courses are offered as apprenticeships, which you can find at **rotherham.ac.uk/apprenticeships**. Apprenticeships are a great way to earn while you learn, as well as being a fantastic opportunity if you are more of a hands-on learner. Whether you stay within the company after your apprenticeship, or move on to somewhere new, it is an easy way to get your foot in the door in a well-paid career. More information is provided on pages 36-37.

YOUR FACILITIES

Our courses are taught in industry-standard facilities, giving you hands-on experience to prepare for your future career. You'll be able to:

- Build confidence and perform in our in-house theatre
- Train for a culinary career in The Wharnccliffe, our commercial restaurant
- Develop hairdressing, beauty therapy and nail skills in our on-site salon
- Gain practical skills in bricklaying, joinery, plumbing and electrical installation within our dedicated construction centre

Alongside excellent learning facilities, you'll find plenty of spaces to relax and socialise. We have two cafés (including Starbucks), plus a theatre showcasing music and performing arts student performances.

Just a short walk away, the town centre offers a market, independent shops and more cafés to enjoy.

HELPING YOU SUCCEED

All courses are delivered by specialist tutors, many of which have worked or still work in the industry they teach. They bring invaluable expert knowledge and a breadth of experience to their teaching, and a passion for the development and achievements of their students.

We work extensively with employers within key industries to ensure our courses meet local and regional skill needs.

This not only means students are equipped with the skills employers are looking for when they finish college, but also offers them the opportunity for work experience and potential future employment.

As well as plenty of support to launch your dream career, we provide a direct pathway to Higher Education at University Centre Rotherham (UCR), also part of the RNN Group, for those interested in studying a degree close to home with familiar tutors. UCR is a dedicated university centre offering degree-level courses and professional training to the local community of Rotherham.

For more information about Rotherham College, please visit rotherham.ac.uk

YOUR College Experience

STUDYING AT COLLEGE CAN BE AN EXPERIENCE LIKE NO OTHER.

We provide plenty of opportunities to try new things, and most importantly have fun. At College you'll have more freedom, learn new skills and build friendships to last a lifetime.

BECOME A STUDENT AMBASSADOR

As a college student, you'll have a lot more free-time on your hands. Now's the perfect time to enhance your CV and lend a hand as a student ambassador.

As an ambassador, you get paid to help out at College Open Events, give tours and go out to local schools to speak to potential students. Becoming a student ambassador will not go unnoticed to future employers.

ENJOY HEARING FROM GUEST SPEAKERS

As well as being taught by top-class tutors, throughout the academic year you'll have the chance to hear from guest speakers from industry professionals who work for some of the top organisations in their field and help provide you with a unique insight into your future profession.

ENRICHMENT

Make the most of your free time and meet friends for life with our fun extracurricular activities, including cross college sports days, World Skills UK competitions, charity events, fun runs, book clubs and much more, such as:

- College Sports Days and Inter-College Sports Competitions
- World Skills UK Competitions
- Fitness Classes
- Charity Events
- Fun Runs
- Sports Clubs Including Football and Rugby
- Book Clubs Supported by the Library
- Gym Sessions
- Preparation for Life Including Personal Budgeting, Building Positive Relationships
- Football Club
- LGBTQ+ Club
- Environment and Sustainability Group
- Gaming
- Warhammer
- Pilates/Yoga
- Social Table Tennis
- Performing Arts
- Movie Club
- Debate Sessions
- Community Champion Club



INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS

We work closely with businesses across the region to not only develop our curriculum and facilities, but also to help you get your foot in the door. Through our industry placements you can start climbing the career ladder and gain invaluable experience - perfect for building your CV.

TRIPS AND EXCURSIONS

Off-campus learning is key to life at college. Whilst studying, you and your classmates will have the opportunity to go on exciting trips and excursions to businesses, attractions, universities and more. Former students have visited places such as St. George's Park, home to England's football team. They have also visited Wentworth Woodhouse, Manchester Airport and many, many more.

Learner Experience

GETTING STARTED IN SEPTEMBER

WELCOME WEEKS

During our welcome weeks, you can find out more about the activities and enrichment opportunities available. If you find that we have not got something for you and your interests, visit the reception and they will put you in touch with the person who can help you get your interest or club up and running.

CAREERS ADVICE AND SUPPORT

Rotherham College has dedicated Careers lounges for you to seek advice, guidance and help throughout your time at college with your next step when you have finished your course or courses with us.

Expert staff can support you with plans, CV writing, cover letter writing, interview technique and general careers guidance.





Skills For Employment

SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT ARE CRUCIAL FOR THE FUTURE OF THE WORKPLACE AND YOUR PLACE IN IT, FOR YOUR FUTURE.

WHAT ARE SKILLS FOR EMPLOYMENT?

Skills for Employment is a new initiative promoted by the RNN Group to develop students' power skills/transferable skills in the workplace, developing you to be first rate employees for local businesses.

You will work to complete ten skills for employment – power skills – which will include the following skills:

- Communication
- Creativity
- Critical Thinking
- Decision Making
- Leadership/Adaptable/Flexible
- Problem Solving
- Proactive/Shows Initiative
- Resilient
- Self-Management/Hard Worker/Reliability
- Time Management

WHY ARE THEY IMPORTANT?

RNN Group understands the need to support employers by providing both entrants to the job market and those rejoining the job market due to family commitments or a change in career the right skills to thrive personally and professionally.

Skills are not just those found in the classroom or an exam room. Skills needed to grow our economy are transferable from job to job and organisation to organisation.

We know that employers consistently talk about the lack of these power skills and we hope that this new initiative will help both you gain a great job and thrive, and employers gain a great employee with all the skills they need.

Employers are helping us by pledging their support to the scheme so that both learners and other employers will recognise that learners/employees who achieve the skills for employment are going to be an asset to any business.

For more information about Skills for Employment, please email marketing@rnnngroup.ac.uk



Sustainability

WORKING TOWARDS A GREENER FUTURE

Sustainability is central to how we operate at Rotherham College and the RNN Group, something that all staff and students contribute to.

We have set a target of 2050 to achieve net zero carbon emissions from our campuses. We are following the EAUC/ AoC Climate Action Roadmap for UK FE Colleges. We are a signatory to the Rotherham Together Partnership Climate and Nature Charter. As educators we have a duty to teach our students about sustainability, and our campuses should show our students what a sustainable organisation looks like.

THE SUSTAINABLE THINGS WE DO

ENERGY AND UTILITIES

The Group uses solar PV arrays and wind turbines to provide zero-carbon electricity and ground- and water-source heat pumps to provide low carbon heating. We are installing LED lighting systems combined with sensor technology to reduce electricity consumption. We use rainwater capture to supplement our mains water use and have other water-saving devices installed.

TRAVEL AND TRAVEL REDUCTION

Zeelo, our Transport Partner, is the first global bus platform to offer 100% carbon neutral services. Since September 2022 Zeelo has helped us to save 10.01 tonnes of CO₂ on commuting to college campuses, replacing 2,853 car journeys.

We operate a number of charging points for electric vehicles for use by staff and students. We have a salary sacrifice scheme for bike users, bike boxes for secure cycle storage and shower facilities for bike users. We encourage staff to meet virtually where the business allows to reduce travelling between sites and there are hybrid working opportunities for most staff.

RECYCLING AND UPCYCLING

Our students run clothing library rails across the Group for pre-loved clothing to be picked up by another learner. Wood, metal, and plaster is recycled from our construction departments, with bricks and lime mortar being reused. Cardboard and paper, bottles and cans are recycled. Food waste is collected to provide biogas for energy generation off site.

We are a Google Reference College and through the use of Google Workspace for Education, we have significantly reduced our paper use by opting for electronically available education materials.

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Our leadership team discuss and provide a steer on sustainability matters at the highest levels of governance.

GO LOCAL

We make a principle of using local contractors and partners in our supply chain. We have strong links with the local communities in which our students and staff live.

PRINT AND PAPER

We now use non-PVC banners and all our printed literature is FSC graded or recycled. We have reduced the number of physical prospectuses in favour of using QR codes linked to our digital prospectuses.



FLORA AND FAUNA

We plant wildflower areas at our campuses and participate in 'No Mow May'.

We have wildlife gardens, 10 acres of woodland, and Dearne Valley College is a "Hedgehog-friendly" campus. We also participate annually in the RSPB Big Schools Bird Watch.



RNN GROUP SUSTAINABILITY

Designed by Student Gracie Firth.

"My logo design consists of a leaf in 4 sections, each representing the four colleges and university buildings in RNN Group. I hope that my logo can help staff and students to recognise environmental issues and how we can play a part in reducing them."

Gracie Firth
Graphic Design Student

Wellbeing Support

WELLBEING IS AT THE HEART OF OUR COLLEGES AND VALUES

Rotherham College recognises and places a great importance on mental health awareness and wellbeing for all members of our community – both students and staff.

We have a dedicated Student Support Team at Rotherham College, who offer help and support to students who may be experiencing difficult/challenging times in their personal worlds.

PEOPLE SEEK OUR TEAM'S SUPPORT FOR MANY REASONS SUCH AS EXPERIENCING:

- Anxiety, stress and panic attacks
- Feeling overwhelmed in public settings
- Low mood
- Loss and bereavement
- Disturbing and unwanted thoughts and images
- Poor sleep
- Relationship difficulties
- Identity and self-image issues
- Abuse/bullying
- Addictive behaviours (including substance abuse)
- Past trauma
- Troublesome repetitive behaviours
- Self-harming
- Frequent or troublesome issues with anger
- Concerns about living with physical illness/conditions
- Housing difficulties/problems at home
- Financial worries
- Our Student Support Team offers Mentoring, Counselling, and Safeguarding.

NATIONAL FREE COUNSELLING SERVICES AND TALKING SERVICES

Kooth

Kooth is a free, safe and anonymous online chat and emotional wellbeing service for young people aged 11 to 25. This is a free Counselling Service.

www.kooth.com

Qwell

Free, safe and anonymous mental wellbeing support for adults across the UK. This service is available from 18+

www.qwell.io

Samaritans

To speak to someone call: 116 123 (free from any phone)

www.samaritans.org/branches/rotherham

MENTORING

Mentoring tends to be the first point of contact normally when accessing our team.

Mentoring offers:

- A safe space to offload, puzzle over, and work positively toward managing life issues and emotionally upsetting times.
- Links to Health Support, Social Support and Primary/Secondary Care.
- Practical support with housing and financial applications, and travelling to college issues.
- Appropriate advocacy – when a learner may need support linking with other teams/organisations within college and sometimes with external agencies.
- A place to discuss the possibility of a referral to counselling, if counselling has been requested or advised.
- Safety and Welfare: Mentors and Welfare Officers will always work to keep students and the community safe and are all fully trained safeguarding staff.
- Wellbeing advice including sexual health, self-care themes and self-help information.

COUNSELLING

Counselling offers:

Professional Counselling – all counsellors have professional membership and follow an ethical code of practice.

A safe, private and confidential space to explore often deeper, complex or more troublesome issues in a more methodical and structured way.

Various choices for the student/client to make in how their counselling process progresses and which methods/models work best for each individual (Tailored approach).

The chance of developing a useful, positive and supportive relationship whilst working through concerns.

SAFEGUARDING

You can contact the College Safeguarding Team (during college open hours) by:

- Contacting the team on safeguarding@rnngroup.ac.uk
- Ask for Safeguarding at the College reception desk
- Or call reception on 01709 362111 and ask for Safeguarding

Important! In a mental health crisis, at any time, day or night, you can:

- Contact the NHS Crisis Team on 0808 196 3779 – available to anyone in mental health crisis 24/7 anywhere across the South Yorkshire / Nottinghamshire area
- Call 111 (call 999 directly if emergency)
- Contact your GP
- Go directly to the nearest A&E (Emergency Department)

Student Support

SAFEGUARDING AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Across all of our campuses we offer a range of services and support to help you with all aspects of student life as well as helping you overcome any difficulties.

Our Student Services, Safeguarding and Health and Wellbeing teams offer a series of services, including:

- Career and progression guidance
- In-class support
- Mental health and well-being support
- Enrichment activities and events
- Support and guidance on personal and welfare issues

If you would like additional learning support we have a dedicated team who can agree your tailored support plan to help you make the most of your college experience and reach your full potential. This includes:

- One-to-one support
- Access to assistive technologies
- Transition support
- Support with exams
- Specialist support team for SEND students

FREDIE

FREDIE stands for Fairness, Respect, Equality, Diversity, Inclusion and Engagement, and for Rotherham College it is the backbone of a truly inclusive culture.

Diversity is good for business and diverse workforces are collaborative, creative, and are more understanding of diverse market needs.

We want everyone whether staff, students or parents carers to feel they belong to a fair College that fosters inclusion through identifying common ground

and finding opportunities for connection by recognising a fundamental need for respect that all human beings can understand and appreciate.

For more information visit:
nationalcentrefordiversity.com/meet-fredie



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We have a number of support schemes available to take the financial pressure off, so you can enjoy your college experience and focus on your studies.

STUDENTS AGED 16-18

When starting a college course, students are not subject to any course fees and parents or carers will be eligible to claim benefits to help you out during your time at College.

Our dedicated Finance Team are here to help you throughout your studies. You can receive help with:

- Bursaries and course-related costs
- Travel passes
- Childcare queries
- Application queries

16-18 COLLEGE BURSARY

You may be eligible to receive a contribution towards costs including:

- Travel
- Equipment
- Uniform
- Meals

For more information speak to a Learner Finance Officer in Student Services.

STUDENTS AGED 19+

Students aged 19 and over may need to pay fees towards their education. These fees are based on the level of funding provided by the Government. Many adult students are entitled to financial support, please contact Student Services to find out if you are eligible. You may be eligible to receive support including:

- Advanced Learner Loans
- Travel costs
- Childcare costs
- Awarding body and tuition fees
- Other associated study costs

CONTACT US

ROTHERHAM COLLEGE

For more information about student support, please visit the Information tab on rotherham.ac.uk or contact us directly on **01709 362111** or info@rotherham.ac.uk

Additional Learning Support

HELPING STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES, LEARNING DIFFERENCES, MEDICAL CONDITIONS, OR OTHER SUPPORT NEEDS.

Rotherham College provides Additional Learning Support (ALS) to help students with disabilities, learning differences, medical conditions, or other support needs access education successfully. The service is designed to ensure that every student can participate fully in college life and achieve their academic goals through tailored assistance.

The college supports a wide range of learners, including those with dyslexia, attention-related conditions such as ADHD, autistic spectrum conditions, mental health difficulties, physical disabilities, sensory impairments, and ongoing medical conditions. Students can discuss their support needs before starting their course, during interview, or at any point while studying. The aim is to make sure support is flexible and available whenever a learner needs it.

A key feature of the service is the personalised support plan. The Additional Learning Support team assesses each student's individual needs and agrees adjustments that can help them learn effectively. These adjustments may include changes to classroom teaching, one-to-one support, workshops, smaller teaching groups, and specialist assistive technology. The support is adapted to the learner, so it can vary depending on the type and level of need.

The college follows a graduated support model. This means support is reviewed regularly and adjusted as staff build a clearer understanding of what helps each student progress. There are different levels of provision: universal support for all students, targeted support for those with identified needs, and specialist support for students with more complex requirements, such as those with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

Examples of support include practical classroom adaptations such as visual aids, modified learning materials, differentiated tasks, and technology that helps with reading, writing, or organisation. Some students may also receive in-class or out-of-class learning support assistance. The service also links with wider student wellbeing resources, including mentoring, counselling, and referrals to external specialists where appropriate. This joined-up approach is intended to remove barriers to learning and support both academic progress and personal wellbeing.



The college also offers exam access arrangements. These are reasonable adjustments made to assessments so that students are not disadvantaged because of a disability or learning difficulty. Examples include extra time, supervised rest breaks, a reader, a scribe, use of assistive technology, or taking exams in a separate room. These arrangements are usually based on evidence of need and the learner's normal way of working in class.

Rotherham College emphasises that students should feel comfortable discussing their needs at any stage. The ALS team works closely with teaching staff and external specialists to make sure support is effective. The college highlights its specialist expertise and encourages anyone unsure about whether they need support to ask for advice. The overall goal is to create an inclusive learning environment where students can develop confidence, independence, and succeed in their studies.

Progression Plan

THREE YEAR SKILLS AND PROGRESSION PLAN

The 3-Year Plan is designed to map out and personalise the educational and developmental journey of certain learners from their current course through to their intended destination.

It acts as a strategic planning tool that captures each learner's support needs, academic goals, and preferred progression routes across a 3-year timespan.

This is a new service and support for vulnerable learners. A personalised progression plan (to work or higher-level study) to include English and Maths if needed.

A Three-Year Skills and Progression Plan Meeting will be held jointly with members of the FLEX and relevant Vocational / Subject Teams.

WHY ARE WE DOING THIS?

How It Supports Destinations and IAG

- **Clear Destination Mapping:** Each plan identifies what the learner wants to achieve post-college – whether that's employment, further study, apprenticeships, supported internships, or independence skills.
- **Informed Decision-Making:** Curriculum teams, parents/guardians, and learners contribute to the plan, ensuring choices are well-informed and realistic.
- **Early Identification of Gaps:** If a learner's ambitions require different qualifications or support, these are flagged early, allowing time to adapt teaching or pastoral support.

- **IAG in Practice:** The plan links aspirations to action. It demonstrates how careers guidance, employer engagement, and curriculum align to support the individual's goals.

Support for 3-Year Journeys

- **Holistic View:** By mapping out three years, staff can anticipate and scaffold transitions. For example, a student starting in FLEX may aim to reach a Level 2 or 3 course with tailored support each year.
- **Curriculum Sequencing:** Helps staff plan learning that gradually builds skills year on year (academic, social, personal).
- **Smooth Transitions:** Ensures no student falls through the cracks between year groups or course levels. All teams are aware of the "end goal" from day one.

Informing Curriculum Teams and Planning

- **Personalisation:** Curriculum staff are briefed early about learner needs, support strategies, and their desired career path. This allows planning of inclusive activities and assessments.
- **Collaboration:** Brings together SEND, curriculum, pastoral, and careers staff – improving communication and shared ownership of outcomes.
- **Evidence for Funding and Progression:** Provides structured documentation to support funding, progression panels, and transition support services.

Wider Benefits

- **Learner Empowerment:** Gives students ownership over their journey. It helps them visualise long-term goals and understand how current choices affect the future.

- **Parental Engagement:** Parents/guardians are actively involved, building trust and clarity in how the college is supporting their child.
- **Efficiency:** Reduces duplication across systems (Navigate, ProSolution, ProMonitor) and improves the flow of information.
- **Quality Assurance:** Demonstrates good practice in planning, IAG, and EHCP management during Ofsted inspections or local authority audits.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- ALL EHCP learners up to and including applying for a Level 2 course.
- All High Needs Learners up to and including applying for a Level 2 course.

All vulnerable learners (transition information from school or self declared) including:

- SEMH Needs
- Behavioural Support Needs
- Home Educated Young People
- Level 1 Learners Previously (L1 Jumpers)
- Those who failed to attend English and Maths exams
- Those who are predicted to fail Vocational Qualifications
- Those who are predicted to fail English and Maths
- Looked After Child (LAC)
- Those who have self-identified as having a criminal conviction
- Up to and including applying for a Level 2 course.



For more information about our 3 year progression plan, please email:

Louise Turner
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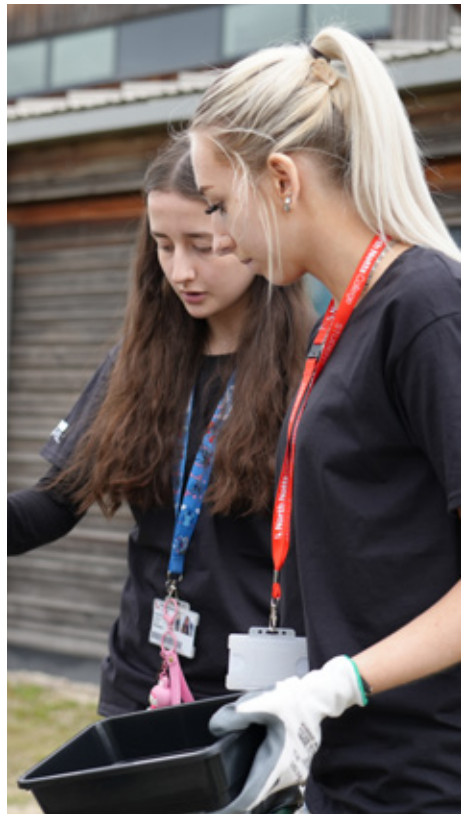
Project-Based Learning

PROJECT-BASED LEARNING (PBL) PROGRAMME OVERVIEW.

The RNN Group's Project-Based Learning (PBL) Programme is a specialist 12-week provision designed to support young people aged 16–19 with Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) needs to successfully re-engage with education, training, and employment. The programme is particularly aimed at learners who are at risk of becoming, or are currently, Not in Education, Employment or Training (NEET), have been home-educated for an extended period, or require additional support to access further learning opportunities.

PBL uses a trauma-informed and restorative approach to learning, recognising that many young people have experienced barriers that have affected their confidence, engagement, and educational journey. Staff work closely with learners to build positive, trusting relationships that help them feel safe, valued, and ready to learn. Through practical, hands-on activities and meaningful projects, learners are encouraged to develop confidence, resilience, communication skills, and a sense of purpose.

Delivered across two key sites, Idle Valley Nature Reserve and Dearne Valley College, the programme combines outdoor education with access to vocational learning environments. This balance



provides learners with varied experiences that support both personal development and preparation for future study or employment. Learning takes place three days per week and includes classroom sessions, outdoor activities, group projects, reflective practice, and careers education.

A key feature of the programme is the development of an individual three-year Skills and Progression Plan. Learners work with staff to identify their goals, explore career pathways, and create a clear roadmap for their future. Embedded careers guidance helps students understand the qualifications, skills, and experiences needed to progress into their chosen vocational area.

The programme is delivered through four phases. Learners begin by focusing on self-awareness, confidence building, and goal setting before moving on to emotional regulation, independent living skills, communication, teamwork, and career preparation. The final stage supports transition planning, ensuring learners are prepared for their next steps in education, apprenticeships, supported internships, or employment.

Project-based learning allows learners to experience success through practical achievements, helping them rebuild self-belief and motivation. Working

collaboratively on projects encourages teamwork, empathy, and communication while structured activities provide the predictability and support needed to develop emotional resilience. By connecting learning to real-world situations, learners gain a greater understanding of how education links to their future aspirations.

The impact of the programme is reflected in learner and parent feedback. Students report increased confidence, improved emotional regulation, stronger social skills, and a renewed enjoyment of learning. Many have successfully progressed onto vocational courses across the RNN Group, while others have developed clear career ambitions and improved attendance and engagement.

Ultimately, the Project-Based Learning Programme serves as a bridge back into education, helping young people overcome barriers, rediscover their potential, and move forward with confidence, purpose, and a realistic plan for a successful future.

What our Students say



“The course is brilliant, I love it so much, I have got the best group of friends ever. It has been awesome to get to know people, and the tutors are lovely.”

Macy

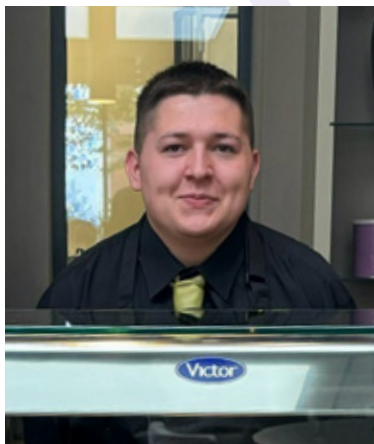
Level 3 - Graphic Design

“Going from having absolutely no idea to actually being able to do it and do the technology side of things in such a short space of time was nice... I’ve also had the support of everyone around me”



Joanne

Teaching Assistant Apprentice



“I thrived with the support and care I was given as well as the opportunity to progress into a mainstream course and develop some core skills.”

Joe

**FLEX Horizons,
and Catering and Hospitality**

“It’s hard but it’s worth it, and even though it’s a male dominated field it doesn’t mean that you can’t do it. In fact it means you should do it more.”



Skye

Engineering

Your Study Options

Whether you're leaving school or returning to education, college is an exciting time filled with new experiences and gives you the freedom to choose your next step.

At Rotherham College we have a number of options for your post-16 choice including technical courses, T Levels and apprenticeships. You will acquire hands-on experience in a subject that interests you, allowing you to develop the industry skills and knowledge needed to begin a successful career.

Throughout this course guide your options will be explained to help you make an informed decision. If a number of options spark an interest, you can apply for more than one and you don't have to decide until you get your GCSE results in August which route you wish to take.

If you would like to discuss your options further get in touch with us on **schoolevents@rnngroup.ac.uk**

TECHNICAL COURSES

Technical courses are specialist courses focusing on one subject area. These courses come in a range of different course areas and provide you with all the practical skills and knowledge needed in your future career. On a technical course, you usually spend around three days-a-week studying your chosen course, with the rest of the time free to complete assignments, undertake work experience or pursue a hobby.

You may know technical courses as BTECs, NVQ and VRQs, with different courses available at a level to suit each student.

T LEVELS

T Levels are similar to technical courses, as they provide specialist training in a given area. The difference between the two is that T Levels include a minimum of 45 days at an in-depth industry placement.

APPRENTICESHIPS

An apprenticeship is a paid job where you will receive practical training and work alongside experienced staff. You will be in a real working environment, gaining employability skills and knowledge of an industry-sector.

As an apprentice, you'll work towards a nationally recognised qualification and typically spend four days a week in the workplace and one day a week at College.

Apprenticeships are competitive like any job so it's worth having a college course as a back-up option.



CASE STUDY

Thomas Lindley

Mechanical Engineering

“My experience at Rotherham College has been amazing! Everyday I learn something new, and my time here has presented me with opportunities like never before.”

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Course Levels

EXPLAINED

Our courses are offered in a variety of different levels, we refer to them as Introduction Skills (Entry Level 1 – Entry Level 3), Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 courses.

Below is a table that explains what our typical entry requirements are, the course duration and what each level means to help you find a starting point.

YOUR EXAM RESULTS OR PREDICTED GRADES	YOUR STARTING POINT AT COLLEGE	TYPICAL DURATION	WHAT THIS LEVEL MEANS
5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above	T Levels	Two years	T Levels are a level 3 course which offer students a mixture of classroom learning and an industry placement of 315 hours (45 days). Equivalent to three full A-Levels.
OR			
A relevant Level 2 qualification	Level 3 course	A one or two-year course	Our Level 3 courses allow you to start to gain greater knowledge and learn advanced skills in your chosen industry.
	Level 3 Apprenticeship	Typically lasts 18 months to two years	A two-year Level 3 course is the equivalent of three full A-Levels.
4 GCSEs at grade 3 or above	Level 2 course	A one-year course	Our Level 2 courses allow you to specialise in your chosen industry.
OR			
A relevant Level 1 qualification	Level 2 Apprenticeship	Typically lasts one year	This provides a great foundation to build skills, knowledge and behaviours required for your chosen industry.
GCSEs at grade 2 or below	Level 1 course	A one-year course	Our Level 1 courses give you the chance to explore a range of areas within your chosen industry, helping you to progress to Level 2.
No GCSEs or pre-GCSEs	Introduction skills (Entry Level 1 – Entry Level 3 courses)	One-year per level	Our Entry Level courses introduce you to a subject area and are taught alongside other employability skills.

GRADING

Qualifications are now graded 9-1 rather than A*-G, with a grade 9 being the highest and grade 4 being an acceptable pass.

CURRENT GRADING STRUCTURE	FORMER GRADING STRUCTURE
9	A*
8	
7	
6	B
5	
4	
3	D
2	
1	
U	U

If you would like advice on what level is most suitable to you, please contact us on schoolevents@rnngroup.ac.uk

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

If you haven't achieved GCSE maths and English at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme. In addition to qualifications, you should also have genuine interest in the area you wish to study.

The table on page 30 shows our typical entry requirements. Some courses have additional entry requirements, which are listed throughout this guide. You can also find more information on our college websites.

PROGRESSION

After completing a Level 3 qualification you could progress into employment, further training or Higher Education.

We have Higher Education courses ranging from Level 4 to Level 7 available at our college campuses and our dedicated Higher Education campus, University Centre Rotherham (UCR). This includes Foundation Degrees, HNCs, HNDs, BA/BSc Honours and more.

WHAT IS A Technical Course?

Technical courses are designed to help you to develop the skills and confidence to succeed in your chosen career. You will be taught by tutors with industry skills and experience and you'll learn in high-quality, purpose-built facilities that simulate a real working environment.

Technical courses at Level 3 are equivalent to A-Levels and are worth UCAS points, which means you can progress onto university after completion. They are mostly assessed by project work across the year and can involve some exams and tests depending on the qualification.



Vocational courses have many different names such as BTECs, NVQs (National Vocational Qualifications) and VRQs (Vocationally Related Qualifications) that are available at different educational levels.

Technical courses at Entry, Level 1 and Level 2 also help students develop their skills and move towards work or higher-level courses.

At College, students have lots of contact with employers and businesses through work experience, talks, visits or real-life projects. Graphic design and Photography students have recently created a series of designs for Wentworth Woodhouse to engage a younger audience to visit as well as having their work showcased at the We Wonder Noir festival.

Our students go on trips to bring their subjects to life. For example, Business, Retail and Tourism students went to Clifton Park Museum to complete their tour guiding and storytelling project as they guided staff around the museum and explained the history and origins of the site.

Students may also be involved in activities that develop skills of enterprise and entrepreneurship demonstrated by our games animation students, who hosted a games play fundraiser afternoon to raise money for Rotherham Hospital's Children's Ward.

As well as brilliant skill-developing activities, students also take part in fantastic competitions such as the yearly inter-college championship where Rotherham College and Dearne Valley College compete against Grimsby Institute in over 30 subject areas.

T-LEVELS

THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

WHAT ARE T LEVELS?

We will be delivering T Levels from which offer students a mixture of classroom learning and an industry placement of 315 hours (45 days) where you will be fully integrated into the workplace.

T Levels are two-year technical programmes, designed with employers, to give young people the practical skills and knowledge that industries need. The 'T' stands for technical and they are an alternative to A-Levels. One T Level is equivalent to 3 A-Levels and will be assessed using a mixture of practical tasks, projects and exams.

We will be offering T Levels in Construction, Digital, Education and Childcare and Health and Science.

Please check our website for the latest information.



Higher Technical Qualifications

HIGHER TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS (HTQS) ARE SPECIALIST TECHNICAL COURSES DEVELOPED WITH EMPLOYERS AND DELIVERED BY INDUSTRY EXPERTS.

WHAT ARE HTQS?

HTQs have been developed in partnership with employers and are delivered by industry experts and focus on the skills, knowledge and behaviours that are in-demand by employers.

They can also act as a stepping stone to further study, such as an apprenticeship or undergraduate degree. Whether you're looking to take the next step in your chosen career or want to retrain into a new industry, an HTQ can help you gain the skills you need for a specialist technical job.

WHAT WILL I ACHIEVE?

By completing an HTQ you will also achieve a Level 4 or 5 qualification in your subject area. These technical qualifications include Foundation Degrees, Higher National Certificates and Higher National Diplomas.

The courses are classroom-based with the opportunity to learn practical skills through workshops, role playing exercises, or using industry facilities.



COURSE DURATION

On average an HTQ will take between 1 and 2 years to complete if studying full-time. Flexible options such as part-time, online and learning through short courses may also be available.

HTQs are provided by universities, Institutes of Technology, local colleges and independent providers.

ENTRY CRITERIA

Many providers will have their own entry criteria, such as minimum GCSE or A level (or equivalent) requirements. If you don't have GCSEs or A levels, you may be eligible for an HTQ through an Access to HE course.

COURSES AVAILABLE

Rotherham College:

- Construction Management (Site Supervisor) HTQ
- Diploma in Cybersecurity (HTQ)
- Diploma Data Analyst (HTQ)

North Notts College:

- Commercial Procurement and Supply (HTQ)
- National Certificate in Digital Technologies Software and Programming (HTQ)

Dearne Valley College:

- Health Science Associate Diploma (HTQ)
- FdSc Assistant Practitioner (HTQ)

WHAT IS AN Apprenticeship?

WITH AN APPRENTICESHIP, YOU CAN EARN WHILE YOU LEARN, RECEIVE TRAINING AND DEVELOP SKILLS WITHIN YOUR CHOSEN INDUSTRY SECTOR.

93%

OF APPRENTICES REMAIN EMPLOYED ON COMPLETION

2.2M

PEOPLE HAVE STARTED AN APPRENTICESHIP SINCE 2015

APPRENTICESHIPS IN PRACTICE

As an apprentice, you are a paid employee, who receives training and education in combination with gaining work experience, where you have a contract of employment and employer rights, such as paid annual leave.

Apprentices work towards a nationally recognised qualification and typically spend four days a week in the workplace and one day a week completing off-the-job training, this is typically (but not always) at College.

APPRENTICESHIP LEVELS

Apprenticeships offer a wide range of different levels to meet the fluctuating demands of each level of business. We provide apprenticeship options ranging from Level 2 to Level 6, all taught by our team of industry-experienced staff.

Type	Level	Equal Educational Level
Intermediate	2	5 GCSEs at grades 9-4
Advanced	3	2 A-Levels
Higher	4, 5	Foundation Degree
Degree	6	Bachelor's Degree

80%

OF AN APPRENTICES TIME IS SPENT AT THE WORKPLACE AND 20% DOING OFF-THE-JOB LEARNING



APPRENTICESHIP SALARIES AND BENEFITS

As an apprentice, you are entitled to earn a salary of at least the National Minimum Wage for apprentices, which is currently £8.00 (as of April 2026 - Updated annually on the 1st of April).

A lot of employers choose to pay their apprentices a higher salary than the National Minimum Wage.

As an apprentice, you are also entitled to paid holiday, sick pay, support in the form of mentoring or coaching and benefit schemes such as childcare.

£8.00

APPRENTICESHIP NATIONAL MINIMUM WAGE

OUR APPRENTICESHIPS

Our apprenticeships last anywhere from 12 months to four years and are available to anyone over the age of 16, with no upper age limit.

We offer apprenticeships in the below areas:

- Business Administration
- Construction
- Early Years and Education
- Engineering
- Health and Social Care
- Hospitality
- Management
- Motor Vehicle



We make every effort to ensure information within our College course guide is accurate and a true representation of the courses and apprenticeships we are offering in 2026/27. However, we do reserve the right to make changes if necessary.

OUR Courses

Advanced Construction Centre

Construction including Building Services, Brick, Joinery, Electrical, Plumbing and Design, Surveying and Planning **40-51**

Centre for Business, Enterprise and Hospitality

Aviation **52-57**

Business, Accounting and Retail **58-63**

Commercial Services including Business Enterprise Hubs (UCR) and the Wharnccliffe Restaurant **64-69**

Creative Arts Academy

Creative Industries including Media, Photography, Visual and Performing Arts **70-95**

Commercial Training Academy including Hair, Barbering and Beauty Services **96-101**

Media Make-up including Conceptual Artistry and Commercial Awareness of Fashion and Beauty Make-up **102-105**

Essential and Supported Education

English and Maths **106-111**

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) **112-113**

FLEX (Department for students with SEND or High Needs) **114-117**

Faculty of Health and Care

Education and Childcare Services **118-123**

Health and Science **124-129**

The STEM Institution

Engineering including Mechanical and Fabrication and Welding **130-135**

Technology Including Computing, Computer Science, Cyber Security, Data Analytics and IT Software **136-140**

Media and Games Design **141-143**

Construction

Including Building Services, Brick, Joinery, Electrical, Plumbing and Design and Surveying and Planning

At Rotherham College you can build your career in construction and learn a hands-on skilled trade that will prepare you for this exciting and varied industry.

We offer training in all the main construction trades including courses and apprenticeships in bricklaying, carpentry and joinery and plumbing.

There are fantastic opportunities to showcase your skills at competitions and get involved in real-life projects, which will help you develop your CV and enhance your employability. You'll be supported by industry experienced tutors and have the opportunity to complete an industry placement, which will help to develop your employability skills and build your network of contacts.

BRICKLAYING

You'll learn all the key skills for being a Bricklayer: constructing half brick and solid walling, cavity walls, arches and solid wall piers, decorative fireplaces and chimney stacks. Other skills include, brick bonding, trowel skills and building complex masonry.

Alongside practical skills you'll also study health, safety and welfare and site procedures in construction. You'll meet key employers in the trade and carry out work experience.



OUR DEDICATED CONSTRUCTION CENTRE PROVIDES YOU WITH THE BUILDING BLOCKS FOR YOUR FUTURE.

CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

You'll learn how to use wood machinery and power tools, explore all aspects of kitchen fitting, building partition walls, fitting door linings and fitting doors, modern truss roof construction, timber floor and technology and roofing techniques.

ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

You will gain hands-on knowledge and skills of domestic electrical installations allowing you to work towards a career as an Electrician. You will need to achieve a Level 2 and Level 3 course as well as a competency-based qualification to be a fully qualified Electrician.

PLUMBING

Our Plumbing courses will prepare you for work in the domestic and industrial sectors. You'll learn a range of practical skills-based units, depending on the level of the course, plus a variety of bending and jointing techniques, fitting central heating systems, fitting underfloor heating, environmental technologies and gas. Our students also enjoy visits to local employers where they see real-life projects in action.

PATHWAYS	
Level 1	Bricklaying Carpentry and Joinery Construction Skills (Adult Course) Electrical Installation Plumbing Plumbing Foundation (Adult Course)
Level 2	Electrical Installations - Building and Structures (Adult Course) Plumbing Foundation (Adult Course) Retrofit (Adult Course)
Level 3	Bricklaying Carpentry and Joinery Electrical Installation Electrical Installations - Building and Structures (Adult Course)
Level 4	Modern Methods of Construction MMC
Your level will be discussed at interview	

Bricklaying



BRICKLAYING

The aim of the scheme is to prepare students for work in the bricklaying trade. It provides a progression route towards achieving an NVQ or Diploma/Technical Certificate.

The scheme also enables the students to acquire and demonstrate both practical skills and construction knowledge giving:

- An ability to perform practical tasks, related to bricklaying.
- The necessary competence in practical, communication and task planning to the industrial standards

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Brickwork
- Construction Health and Safety
- The Construction Industry
- Setting Out Masonry Structures
- Construct Solid Walls
- Construct Cavity Walls

WHY STUDY HERE?

Excellent staff who are qualified to industry standards, knowledge and experience of working within the construction industry and experience in teaching brickwork in college to SkillBuild competition standard.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Fully Qualified Bricklayer
- Modern Methods of Construction MMC
- Junior Contracts Manager



Carpentry and Joinery

CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

Carpentry and joinery forms a vital part of the construction industry in the country and has two main component parts which are site and bench.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Bench joiners are the manufacturing side of the business who provide standard and bespoke joinery components such as stairs, doors and retro fit wooden windows for the graded buildings all to architect specifications that feed directly into the building industry.

Site joinery follow the bricklayers and construct the main carcass of the building including the roofs, floors, walls and stairs which is known as first fix. Second fix comes into play once other trades have completed theirs and includes hanging doors, fitting skirtings, mouldings and kitchens.

Maths and English naturally occur throughout these levels and is embedded to further develop the required level of skills.

All the skills required for the above disciplines are developed from Level 1 through to Level 3.

WHY STUDY HERE?

The study programmes at Rotherham College are overseen by tutors who have vast experience of the construction industry and have developed teaching techniques over many years to pass on this knowledge and we are always looking for new and innovative ways of developing this even further.

We work closely with the construction industry and find out exactly what the needs of employers are and how we can help them achieve those needs.

We have various methods of learning throughout the curriculum which includes using Google Workspace that is available for both college and independent study, workshop and group work which involves peer mentoring and support.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Modern Methods of Construction MMC
- Site Manager
- Contracts Manager
- Heritage Site Restorer
- Self-employed Carpenter



Electrical

ELECTRICAL

Electric is essential to everyday life, from being able to wake up on time in the morning to retiring for the night, your life is connected with electricity. This can be identified by your routine, waking up with an alarm, boiling a kettle, traveling, (railway equipment, traffic lights, airport equipment) tv, cleaning equipment, hospital equipment, power tools. All these components require science.

Our courses enable you to develop your electrical knowledge, skills and behaviours to the highest level, preparing you for your future career or next level of study.

Becoming an Electrician will mean a continuous learning experience with the introduction of renewable technologies changing the society and world around us.

Within Electrical, we offer different levels of study:

- Structure of Construction Industry
- Fundamental Safe Working Practices
- Environmental and Sustainability Measures in Domestic Dwellings
- Site Preparation for Working in the Construction Industry
- Electrical Installation Wiring and Terminations
- Fabrication Techniques for Electrical Installation
- Electrical Science and Technology

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Health and Safety and Industry Practices
- Electrical Science
- Electrical Installation
- Electrical Technology
- Planning and Overseeing Electrical Work Activities
- Principles of Electrical Science, Electrical Design and Installation Practices and Procedures
- Principles of Inspection, Testing and Commissioning Electrical Systems
- Inspecting, Testing and Commissioning Electrical Systems
- Electrical System Fault Diagnosis and Rectification





WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham College offers industry recognised qualifications in two spacious Electrical workshops designed for unique levels. All our courses are delivered by experienced industry trained specialists who are continually assessed to current standards, who can offer careers advice and have links to the industry.

Our curriculum is designed with input from local employers to ensure we are providing the essential skills needed by the local community and the surrounding area. Through the Google Workspace, we encourage independence to develop essential skills required to be successful in your chosen career.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Apprenticeship
- Higher Education
- Electrical Engineer
- Security Systems Installer
- Self-Employed Electrician

Plumbing

PLUMBING

Plumbing is a vital part of everyday life, no matter what you do, from waking in the morning to retiring for the night, your life has been merged with the plumbing industry. This can be highlighted by your routine, you drink cold water, you wash with hot water and you keep warm with central heating. Sanitation, science and rainwater recycling systems are also part of the plumbing industry and impact upon people's daily lives.

Our courses enable you to develop your plumbing knowledge, skills and behaviours to the highest level, preparing you for your future career or next level of study.

Becoming a Plumber will mean a continuous learning experience with the introduction of renewable technologies changing the society and world around us.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Within Plumbing, we offer different levels of study, All these units require assessments of various forms, written, practical and scenarios and case studies. All courses will include varying levels of sector specific Maths and English.

- Basic material fabrication
- Copper
- Low Carbon Steel
- Plastic Pressure Pipe
- Waste Water Drainage Systems
- Environmental and Sustainability
- Health and Safety
- Plumbing Science

Once familiar with the basics, we move to:

- System Plumbing
- Processes
- Cold Water and Hot Water
- Central Heating
- Sanitation and Drainage
- Environmental Technology and System Planning and Design.

WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham College offers industry recognised qualifications in a spacious plumbing workshop. All our courses are delivered by experienced industry trained specialists who are continually assessed to current standards, who can offer careers advice and have links to the industry.

Our curriculum is designed with input from local employers to ensure we are providing the essential skills needed by the local community and the surrounding area.

Through the Google Workspace, we encourage independence to develop essential skills required to be successful in your chosen career.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Apprenticeship
- Higher Education
- Heat Pump Engineer
- Gas Service Technician
- Self-Employed Plumber





CASE STUDY

Jordan Stevens

Plumbing - Former Student of Saint Pius Catholic School

“I really enjoy the practical side of my course and being able to build things and watch it all work. After my course, I’m planning to become self-employed.”

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Future Careers...

IN CONSTRUCTION

The construction sector is ideal for those who like working outside, enjoy working practically and the ability to use their own initiative.

CARPENTER

Carpenters make, install and repair wooden items like wall panels, flooring, door and window frames, roof rafters, staircases, cabinets and furniture.

Average salary - £24,000 to £40,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Discuss plans and job instructions with clients or site managers, cut timber, make and fit staircases, door frames, roof timbers and partition walls, assemble furniture, install kitchen units, cabinets and shelving, construct wooden supports, called shuttering, which hold concrete in place while it sets, fit interiors in shops, bars, restaurants and offices and build stage sets for theatre, film and TV productions.*

Working environments:

You could work in a workshop, on a construction site, at a client's business or at a client's home. Your working environment may be dusty, at height and you'll travel often.*

BRICKLAYER

Bricklayers build houses, repair walls and chimneys and refurbish decorative stonework. They also work on heritage and restoration projects.

Average salary - £25,000 to £45,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Read and follow building plans for each job, measure work areas and set out the first rows of bricks or blocks, mix mortar, use a trowel to lay mortar and place bricks, shape and trim bricks using hammers, chisels and power tools, check rows are straight using a spirit level, laser level or plumb line, repoint brickwork to repair old or damaged mortar joints and build architectural and ornamental brickwork features.*

Working environments:

You could work on a construction site or at a client's home. Your working environment may be physically demanding, outdoors in all weathers, at height and you'll travel often.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the construction sector include:**

- Detail Oriented
- Communication
- Customer Service
- Problem Solving
- Planning

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Aviation

Including Aviation Operations and Flight

SOAR TO SUCCESS AND REACH NEW HEIGHTS WITH OUR AVIATION COURSES.

The aviation sector plays a key role in the UK economy, contributing around £80 billion each year. The aviation industry has grown significantly since 2008, Brexit and post pandemic is seeing a huge upturn in travel, airport tourism and hospitality and therefore a huge requirement to increase the workforce. It employs around 200,000 people and offers career openings in a range of areas, including aircraft handling, aircraft movement, flight operations and passenger services. The aviation sector is key to creating and supporting global connectivity for people, goods and services in all sectors, it is particularly significant in creating the infrastructure for inward and outward tourism, which is £34 billion.

AVIATION OPERATIONS

This programme focusses on Aviation Operations. Students will gain an in depth knowledge of the day to day operation of aviation facilities and the aviation sector.

FLIGHT

This programme focuses on the flight elements of aviation and working within the airline industry.

PATHWAYS

Level 3

Aviation Operations
Flight

ENGLISH AND MATHS

To apply for this course you must have 5 GCSE's at grade 4 or above including English and Maths.



Aviation

Including Aviation Operations and Flight

AVIATION OPERATIONS

Students will develop leadership skills, operational skills and an understanding of aviation terminology. Students will develop the necessary knowledge, skills and behaviours which will enable them to progress in to an exciting aviation career. Students will also receive access to our flight school and the opportunity to experience life on a functioning aviation facility.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- UK Aviation
- Health and Safety in Aviation
- Security in Aviation
- Inter-relationships within UK Aviation
- Development of the UK Aviation Industry Since 1945
- Aviation Geography and Terminology
- Customer Service in Aviation
- Team Leadership
- Managing Conflict in Aviation
- Marketing in the Aviation Industry
- E-Business for Airlines
- Human Resources in Aviation
- Prep for Employment in Aviation
- Airport and Airline Operations
- Passenger Terminal Management Within the Aviation Industry
- Research issues in Aviation
- Handling Air passengers
- Airfield Operations
- Bird and Wildlife Control on Airports and Airfields

WHY STUDY HERE?

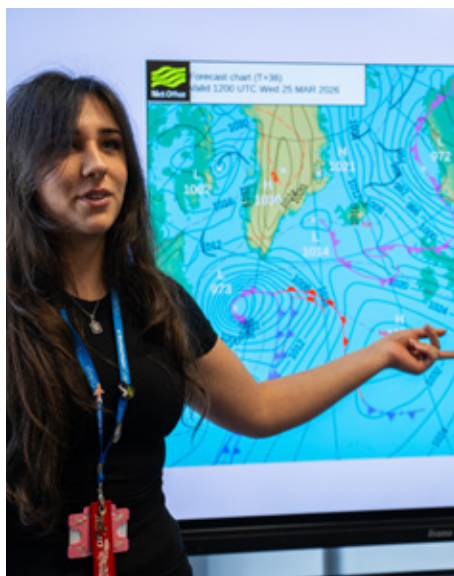
- Access to our exclusive flight school
- Industry-based staff with access to a working airfield
- Great progression opportunities

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Airfield Operations Specialist
- Airport Security
- Airport Health and Safety Officer
- Passenger Services
- Marketing for Aviation

ENGLISH AND MATHS

To apply for this course you must have 5 GCSE's at grade 4 or above including English and Maths.





Students role-playing check-in scenarios at our partner education centre, Skills Street.

FLIGHT

Students will develop a broad knowledge of the aviation industry and develop the necessary knowledge, skills and behaviors to work within a variety of careers within the sector. Students will have access to a working airfield, learn from industry based staff and have the opportunity to take off on one of our flight experiences.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- UK Aviation
- Health and Safety in Aviation
- Security in Aviation
- Inter-relationships within UK Aviation
- Aviation Geography and Terminology
- Marketing in the Aviation Industry
- Prep for Employment in Aviation
- Airline and Airport Economics
- Environmental Impacts of Aviation
- Research Issues in Aviation
- Handling Air Passengers
- Ramp Handling
- Aircraft Dispatch
- Onboard Passenger Operations

- Aviation Communications
- The Principals of Flight
- Aircraft Take-off and Landing Performance
- Flight Operations
- Airfield Operations

WHY STUDY HERE?

- Access to our exclusive flight school
- Industry based staff with access to a working airfield
- Great progression opportunities

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Passenger Services
- Flight Planner
- Air Traffic Control
- Airfield Operations Specialist



Future Careers...

IN AVIATION

The aviation sector provides opportunities for personal growth and development as well as exposure to unforgettable experiences.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

CABIN CREW

Air Cabin Crew make sure that airline passengers have a safe, comfortable and pleasant flight.

Average salary - £19,000 to £28,000*

Day to day tasks:

Attend a staff meeting about the route and schedule, check onboard supplies and make sure safety equipment is working properly, greet passengers and check documents, demonstrate safety and emergency procedures, make sure passengers are comfortable and respond to any requests, check dietary needs, serve food and drinks, and sell duty-free items, make announcements and give first aid and reassure passengers in the event of an emergency.*

Working environments:

You could work on an aircraft. Your working environment may be physically demanding and cramped. You may need to wear a uniform.*

RAF AVIATOR

RAF Aviators make up the majority of RAF personnel and maintain its ability to fight and fly.

Average salary - £26,000 to £37,000*

Day to day tasks:

Fix and maintain aircraft, load weapons, drive a range of vehicles, cook for troops, monitor airspace, protect airfields, support medical staff and work in human resources (HR).*

Working environments:

You could work at a military base or in a warzone. Your working environment may be outdoors in all weathers and physically and emotionally demanding.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the aviation sector include**:

- Communication
- Customer Service
- Multitasking
- Sales
- Time Management

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Business, Accounting and Retail

IF YOU ASPIRE TO BECOME AN ENTREPRENEUR OR TO START YOUR CAREER IN THE BUSINESS INDUSTRY, OUR COURSES CAN HELP YOU REACH YOUR GOALS.

Businesses are the driving force of the economy and there are many different types of businesses in the UK and globally from private sector business (profit orientated), public sector business (local councils, NHS, Armed forces) and not for profit businesses (charities, voluntary organisations).

This provides a vast amount of careers opportunities across these different sectors at different levels from junior, middle and higher level management positions across a variety of business disciplines such as:

- Accounting and Finance
- Marketing and Promotion
- Human Resources
- Operations, Logistics and Distribution
- Admin and Support Services
- Customer Service
- Enterprise and Innovation

A key focus of all our business courses is around the development of transferable business skills. These are the skills that are in demand by businesses that are learned on the course and can be transferred during the job application process leading to a successful appointment. These skills are vital for any business role and help to secure those promotional opportunities and progression.

PATHWAYS	
Level 1	Progression
Level 2	Business, Retail and Tourism Digital Promotion (Adult Course)
Level 3	Business T Level in Business and Administration
Level 4/5/6	Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Business Management
Your level will be discussed at interview	

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.



Business, Accounting and Retail

BUSINESS, ACCOUNTING AND RETAIL

On all business courses the primary focus is on developing the knowledge, skills and behaviours to successfully work in a business environment. You will develop your knowledge across the business disciplines with a focus on the associated skills and behaviours to be successful.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Accounting and finance will develop your number skills and the ability to interpret financial information to support decision making.

Marketing and promotion will broaden your creative thinking skills to develop innovative ideas for attracting and retaining customers. Using IT creatively to produce promotional material and digital content for marketing as well as practical IT skills such as creating spreadsheets, websites and social media content.

For those of you who want to start your own business, a central theme is around developing enterprise skills with the ability to not only develop creative concepts and make proposals but to also consider how to implement them.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

Good customer service is crucial for business success. You will develop your interpersonal skills which is a key skill for working for any business and is crucial for developing positive relationships with colleagues and teams.

A focus on human resources to develop your understanding of the importance of human resource planning and recruitment and selection.

You will create a digital progress plan which will support you to identify suitable job vacancies, produce a CV, covering letter and job application and develop a next steps plan to support your move towards your dream job in business.





WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham College offers innovative business courses from Level 1 to Level 6 which are applied so that the focus is on developing your transferable business skills to prepare you for employment.

All of our courses are delivered by a range of industry specialists and we have a wider team who can also offer careers advice for you to make informed choices about your next steps.

Our curriculum is designed with input from local employers to ensure we are providing the essential skills needed to fill business skills gaps in Rotherham and the surrounding areas.

Through the use of Google Classroom, we also develop essential digital and independent skills needed to be successful in the world of business.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Customer Service Representative
- Retail Assistant
- Marketing Assistant
- Digital Marketing Assistant
- Financial Assistant
- HR Assistant
- Administrative Assistant
- Enterprise and Business



Future Careers...

IN BUSINESS AND RETAIL

The business and retail sectors are ideal if you enjoy working in a fast-paced environment and have a passion for enterprise.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

OFFICE MANAGER

Office Managers oversee the day-to-day operations in an office or department.

Average salary - £25,000 to £40,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Organise and co-ordinate day-to-day office operations, develop quality control processes, carry out staff appraisals and monitor performance, deal with disciplinary issues, prepare reports for the senior management team, manage an office budget and expenses, support staff with career development, help to recruit and train new staff and work closely with other departments, like finance and human resources.*

Working environments:

You could work in an office. You may need to wear smart business clothes.*

BOOKKEEPER

Bookkeepers maintain an organisation's financial records and help to prepare accounts for filing returns.

Average salary - £24,000 to £35,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Process purchasing and sales invoices, make sure bank statements match income and payment records, prepare VAT returns, check that accounts are accurate and up to date, prepare wages and manage claims for expenses, help to prepare annual accounts, use computerised accounting systems and handle commercially sensitive and valuable information.*

Working environments:

You could work in an office.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the business and retail sectors include:**

- Communication
- Problem Solving
- Management
- Organisational Skills
- Detail Orientated

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Catering and Hospitality

FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF YOUR FAVOURITE CELEBRITY CHEF OR TAKE THE REINS AND BECOME A RESTAURANT MANAGER – THE POSSIBILITIES ARE ENDLESS WITH OUR CATERING AND HOSPITALITY COURSES.

PATHWAYS	
Level 1	Catering and Hospitality Professional Cookery
Level 2	Food and Beverage Services Professional Cookery
Level 3	Hospitality Supervision and Leadership Professional Cookery
Your level will be discussed at interview	

You will learn in a fast-paced environment, craft your cookery skills in the kitchen and perfect professional customer service skills with lunch, afternoon tea and dinner service. You will also be able to organise and cater for charity events and test your new skills in competitions.

All of our Catering and Hospitality courses are taught by tutors with years of industry experience who will pass their knowledge on to you to use within the classroom and beyond.

You will learn both the practical skills and the theory needed to work in the industry including training in both a kitchen and a front of house setting. You will learn everything from knife skills, food and beverage service and barista skills to pastry, confectionery and menu planning.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.



Catering and Hospitality

CATERING AND HOSPITALITY

The catering and hospitality sector employs over 2 million people in the UK, covering bars, restaurants, hotels, cafes and contract catering; and it's worth a whopping £4.5 billion to the economy. Many roles are dealing with the public, and so good people skills and an ability to remain calm are key qualities in this industry.

There are clear progression paths and you often have the opportunity to develop business skills and experience as you climb up the ladder. Running your own business is also a common occurrence in this sector, such as owning hotels or restaurants or as a catering supplier.

People with these skills also have plenty of opportunity to travel and work in holiday destinations all over the world, so carving a career in this sector provides a large number of possibilities.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

A uniform will need to be purchased for both the kitchen and front of house before starting a Catering and Hospitality course. A list of uniform requirements will be issued following successful enrolment to this course.

WHY STUDY HERE?

The Hospitality and Catering department has a number of innovative and exciting course that can be tailored to your needs. We have programmes to suit all from the novice chef to a professional chef wanting to enhance their cookery skills at Level 3. We are part of the WorldSkills organisation, if you are selected to represent Rotherham College and are successful you could travel to destinations across the globe and compete against other chefs.

We have an exciting curriculum where you are given the opportunity to develop your key skills and behaviours throughout the academic year.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Chef
- Barista
- Confectioner
- Waiter
- Restaurant Manager





Future Careers...

IN CATERING AND HOSPITALITY

The catering and hospitality sector is ideal if you want to work in a fast-paced environment, have a passion for cooking and working in a customer-focused setting.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

CHEF

Chefs prepare, cook and present food in hotels, bars and restaurants.

Average salary - £22,000 to £40,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Develop recipes, plan menus and create new dishes, research new ingredients and suppliers, prepare and cook dishes and desserts, control stock and inspect deliveries, maintain food safety and hygiene standards and supervise kitchen staff to make sure food is of high quality, presented well and served on time.*

Working environments:

You could work at a restaurant, in an NHS or private hospital, at a school, at a college or on a cruise ship. Your working environment may be hot, humid and physically demanding. You may need to wear a uniform.*

RESTAURANT MANAGER

Restaurant Managers organise the day-to-day running of their venue and make sure customers are happy with the food and service they receive.

Average salary - £26,000 to £40,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Plan menus with your chefs, organise shifts and rotas, manage stock control, work closely with suppliers, make sure the restaurant follows licensing, food hygiene, and health and safety rules, recruit new staff and help to train them, work on plans for large events like weddings or birthdays and deal with customer complaints.*

Working environments:

You could work at a restaurant. Your working environment may be physically demanding. You may need to wear a uniform.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the catering and hospitality sector include:**

- Communication
- Detail Oriented
- Cleanliness
- Customer Service
- Organisational Skills

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Creative Industries

*Including Media, Photography,
Visual and Performing Arts*

Our variety of art, graphic design and fashion courses offer students of all abilities the chance to let their imagination run wild, build key skills and develop knowledge to bring their creative talents to life.

You'll be encouraged and guided by our experienced, specialist tutors in industry-level studios and facilities, building your knowledge and expertise towards your creative career goals. Our fantastic facilities include dedicated studios for Art, Fashion and Graphics with 3D workshops, ceramics areas, a textile studio, kiln room and digital suites with industry-standard software.

You can enjoy talks and masterclasses from tutors and industry practitioners and visit national galleries such as Tate Liverpool and Yorkshire Sculpture Park, with a residential visit for Level 3 students to a major European city such as Barcelona, London, Madrid or Paris. You will also have the opportunity to showcase your work at our art and design exhibition and fashion shows.

Following completion of a Level 3 Art, Graphic Design or Fashion course you can go on to degree level study, undertake a creative apprenticeship, go into employment at a junior level within the creative industries or become a Freelance Artist, Graphic Designer or Fashion Designer.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

ART AND DESIGN

We will give you the tools to become an Artist or Designer by setting challenges that will develop the creative thinking, problem solving, and practical skills required to be successful in the creative industries. You will build confidence to take risks, strengthen resilience, resourcefulness and self-reliance. You will gain a professional approach to a range of creative practices, with the support of our teaching team. You can take part in masterclasses from industry practitioners and gain valuable work experience.

FASHION

We will enable you to attain a career in fashion by setting challenges that will develop creative thinking, problem solving, and practical skills required to be successful in the fashion industry. You will build the skills and confidence to design and make your own garments and develop your creativity whilst learning to become self-reliant, independent and professional with the support of our teaching team.

GRAPHIC DESIGN

We will build your skills to help you become a Graphic Designer by setting challenges, and support you to discover your own design solutions. You will experiment with your creativity and explore the boundaries of graphic design, whilst learning to become self-reliant, independent and professional with the support of our teaching team. You'll develop key graphic design skills such as illustration, animation, Adobe suite, typography, drawing, printmaking, digital imaging and layout design.

CHANNEL YOUR CREATIVITY AND LEARN PRACTICAL SKILLS TO START YOUR CAREER IN THE ARTS.

PATHWAYS	
Entry Level	Introduction to Garment Making Part Time Evening Introduction to Ceramics (Adult Course) Part Time Evening Life Drawing (Adult Course)
Level 1	Art and Design
Level 2	Diploma in Art and Design Diploma in Art and Design (Fashion) Diploma in Art and Design (Graphic Design)
Level 3	Access to HE Art and Design Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication (Art and Design) Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication (Fashion) Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication (Graphic Design)
Level 4/5/6	Foundation Degree in Graphic Design Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Graphic Communication Design (Top-up)
Your level will be discussed at interview	

Art and Design

ART AND DESIGN

Covering a vast range of skills and talents, art and design is a diverse subject that will help you turn your creative passion into a career. Whether you want to be the next Damien Hirst, animate for Disney, or you want to play a role in what the next Ferrari looks like, this subject will help you improve your talents and pursue your dream.

Art and design students are highly entrepreneurial and self-motivated, both qualities that you learn on your journey to becoming an artist. Our practical, hands-on courses encourage creative thinking and problem solving through the application of art and design skills, knowledge and technical understanding.

Our students go on to careers such as fine art, illustration, animation, textiles design, product design, ceramics, interior design, architect and more, to become part of a UK creative industry that is currently worth around £100 billion.

WHAT WILL I STUDY

You will learn the creative skills needed to solve problems as an Artist or Designer. Project briefs will set challenging and exciting scenarios that will involve researching, idea generation, media sampling and production of final artwork.

Workshop sessions will enable you to build skills in areas such as drawing, painting, printmaking, animation, 3D, ceramics, digital art, illustration, textiles and more. Key aspects of learning include how to use the formal elements of line, shape, space, form, tone, texture, pattern, colour and composition to communicate ideas.

You will explore visual language and different ways in which you can draw, paint, make and animate. You will identify your interests within art and design and develop your skills and a portfolio to ultimately forge a career in the creative industries. Our courses are 100% coursework-based.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.





- You will work with industry-standard facilities and be taught by industry professionals.
- You will have access to professional standard studios and equipment including: laser cutting, screen-printing, 3D workshop, printmaking, ceramics and digital.
- Take part in educational visits to places such as to Yorkshire Wildlife park, Yorkshire Sculpture Park or galleries at major cities. With an opportunity to go on a residential visit to a European city on Level 3 courses.
- Assignment briefs will challenge and encourage you to develop your specialist skills in order to progress.
- Take part in workshops, educational visits and exciting opportunities for you to work on live briefs with partners such as Wentworth Woodhouse and Rotherham Train Station.

- Receive support with your UCAS application including portfolio-building sessions, interview preparation, writing your personal statement.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Fine Artist
- Illustrator
- Animator
- Ceramicist
- Textile Artist or Designer
- Interior Designer
- Architect
- Product or Furniture Designer
- Jeweller Designer
- Art Therapist

Fashion

FASHION

Fashion can be viewed as a form of storytelling through self-expression, using clothes, footwear and accessories.

The fashion industry encourages creative thinking, experimentation, and making statements. The fashion industry is huge and consists of the brands you see on the high street and internet, to the glamorous and competitive world of designer fashion.

There are many careers within fashion including fashion design, tailoring, costume, textile design, buying and retail, marketing, fashion illustration and fashion photography and film.

In this growing sector, there are opportunities to work with large and small companies and to work freelance. Careers in this subject area vary and value a range of skills from garment-making and working with fabrics, to digital design, managerial and marketing skills.

Our practical, hands-on courses encourage creative thinking and problem solving through the application of fashion-based skills, knowledge and technical understanding.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will learn the practical and creative skills needed to design and make garments, including pattern-cutting, garment construction, print-making and moulage. Project briefs will set challenging and exciting scenarios that will involve researching, mood-boarding, drawing, designing, sampling and garment development and making.

Workshop sessions will enable you to build skills in areas such as sewing, knitting, printmaking, textiles, digital illustration and design skills. You will explore sustainability and zero waste processes, supporting the move towards a more sustainable fashion industry.

Researching into audience, trends and mood-boarding will be a key aspect of developing your ideas and taking creative risks. You will identify your interests within the fashion industry and develop your skills and a portfolio of samples and garments to ultimately forge a career in fashion. Our courses are 100% coursework based.



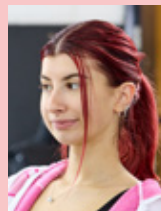
WHY STUDY HERE?

- You will have access to professional standard studios and equipment including: industrial level sewing machines, pattern-cutting areas, screen-printing, print-making, digital embroidery and laser cutting.
- Explore a wide range of disciplines within fashion including; fashion design, garment making, fashion illustration, textiles, fashion marketing or fashion photography/film.
- Investigate a wide range of fashion-based skills and processes including, drawing, sewing, pattern cutting, screen-printing, printmaking and computer aided design (CAD).
- Take part in educational visits to places such as Yorkshire Sculpture Park and galleries at major cities. With an opportunity to go on a residential visit to a European city on Level 3 courses.
- Take part in workshops, educational visits and exciting opportunities for you to work on live briefs with partners such as Wentworth Woodhouse.
- Receive support with your UCAS application including portfolio-building sessions, interview preparation, writing your personal statement.
- Develop a creative and focused portfolio for progression into Higher Education or work in the fashion industry.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Fashion Designer
- Garment Technologist
- Textile Designer
- Fashion Illustrator
- Pattern Cutter or Grader
- Stylist
- Fashion Buyer
- Visual Merchandiser
- Fashion Marketing and PR
- Trend Forecaster
- Fashion Blogger or Vlogger

"I LIKE BEING ABLE TO HAVE CREATIVE FREEDOM ON THIS COURSE. I LOVE THE FASHION STUDIO THAT WE HAVE ACCESS TO. I LOVE BEING ABLE TO CREATE MY OWN COLLECTIONS, IT'S SOMETHING I'VE ALWAYS DREAMED OF DOING."



Jodie Tyler

Level 3 - Applied General Extended Diploma in Art & Design (Fashion)
Former student at Oakwood High School

Graphic Design

GRAPHIC DESIGN

Graphic design is the practice of visual communication, using imagery and typography to convey information and concepts to a viewer. Providing opportunities to boost your creativity and enhance communication to make a statement. Covering a vast range of skills and talents, graphic design is a diverse subject with many career paths.

Our students go on to careers in illustration, animation, environmental graphics marketing, branding, web and user interface, packaging and more, to become part of a UK creative industry that is currently worth around £100 billion.

Graphic design is integral in every aspect of daily life, including websites, adverts, branding, product packaging, magazines, posters... graphic design is all around us. An exciting and dynamic subject, graphic design is a subject area that values passion, creativity and practical skill. In this growing sector there are opportunities to work for large and small companies as well as freelance.

Digital skills are essential, and knowledge of software such as Adobe Creative Suite is generally a requirement in most graphic design pathways to deliver creative content from digital animation, illustration and visuals for packaging design, web and user interface.

Graphic design is about leveraging aesthetics to help an audience digest sometimes complex content. Our students are highly entrepreneurial and self-motivated, both qualities that you learn on your journey to becoming a Graphic Designer. Our practical, hands-on courses encourage creative thinking and problem solving through the application of graphic design skills, knowledge and technical understanding.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Project briefs will set challenging and exciting scenarios that will involve researching, idea generation, sampling and production of final outcomes.

Workshop sessions will enable you to build skills in areas such as Adobe Creative Suite, in particular Photoshop and Illustrator as well as branding, packaging, animation, web and user interface and more. Key aspects of learning include how to use the formal elements of line, shape, space, form, tone, texture, pattern, colour and composition to communicate ideas.

You will explore visual language and different ways in which you can develop and grow as a graphic designer. You will identify your interests within graphic design and enhance your skills and build a portfolio to ultimately forge a career in the creative industries. Our courses are 100% coursework-based.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.



WHY STUDY HERE?

- You will work with industry-standard facilities and be taught by industry professionals.
- You will have access to professional standard studios and equipment including industry standard iMac Pro desktops and MacBooks: laser cutting, screen-printing, 3D workshop and printmaking.
- Take part in educational visits to places such as Yorkshire Wildlife Park, Yorkshire Sculpture Park or galleries at major cities. There is also an opportunity to go on a residential visit to a European city on Level 3 courses.
- Assignment briefs will challenge and encourage you to develop your specialist skills in order to progress.
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WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Graphic Designer
- Marketing and Advertising Design
- Brand Identity Design
- Packaging Design
- Web and User Interface Design
- Print and Publication Design
- Type Design
- Graphic Illustrator
- Motion Graphics and Animation



CASE STUDY

Serena Omoregbee Eloghosa

Fashion

"I chose this college because it offers me everything I need to be able to achieve my goal of becoming a fashion designer."

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Future Careers...

IN ART, GRAPHIC DESIGN AND FASHION

The art and design sector is ideal for those who have a creative spark, passion for art and want to pursue a colourful career.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

GRAPHIC DESIGNER

Graphic Designers create printed and digital materials for magazines, packaging, branding, websites and social media.

Average salary - £25,000 to £40,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Discuss your client's requirements and come up with creative ideas, work out budgets, timescales and deadlines, produce design drafts for images, wording, colours, style and layout, prepare artwork and templates using design software, present ideas to the design team and clients for approval, update materials and online content to match changes to branding and keep up to date with design trends and developments in software.*

Working environments:

You could work in a creative studio, in an office, at a client's business or from home.*

FASHION DESIGNER

Fashion Designers produce new clothing and fashion ranges using their creative and technical skills.

Average salary - £24,000 to £40,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Identify trends in fabrics, colours, prints and shapes, develop new concepts and mood boards (a collection of items to capture a mood, like photos, fabric pieces or colour samples), create sketches and designs by hand or with computer-aided design (CAD) software, work with product development teams to manage quality and costs, supervise design assistants and patternmakers when making up product samples and present ranges to production managers, merchandisers and customers.*

Working environments:

You could work in a workshop or in a creative studio.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the art, graphic design and fashion sector include:**

- Communication
- Creativity
- Detail Oriented
- Innovation
- Problem Solving

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Media and Photography

CAPTURE YOUR CREATIVE SKILLS WITH INDUSTRY-STANDARD EQUIPMENT TO LAUNCH AN EXCITING CAREER IN THE WORLD OF MEDIA, FILM AND PHOTOGRAPHY.

The requirement for lens-based work is increasing rapidly. Our courses give you the opportunity to produce visually dynamic work as well as offering you the chance to be taught by supportive tutors equipped with years of experience in their field. You will be involved in creating projects for 'live' client briefs, developing a wide range of technical skills using industry-standard equipment.

MEDIA

Learn in industry-standard facilities including our TV studio, radio suites, photographic studio, dark room facilities and post-production suites. You'll have the opportunity to attend trips to galleries, TV studios, festivals, industry trade shows, workshops and lectures with guest speakers.

PHOTOGRAPHY

Using our photography studios, camera equipment, post-production software and darkroom you'll develop key creative, technical and post-production skills to create high-quality imagery. You'll learn core business principles, key for those aspiring to launch their own freelance photography business, work on live client briefs and with models to produce portfolios.

Your work will also be exhibited in the annual photography festival, published on our online photography website gallery and entered for national and global competitions.

PATHWAYS

Level 1	Skills Development to the Arts
Level 2	Creative and Digital Photography
	Creative Media Production Media and Photography
Level 3	Creative and Digital Photography
	Creative Media Production
Level 4/5/6	Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Media, Moving Image and Photography
Your level will be discussed at interview	

CASE STUDY

Stefan Krauklis

Level 3 Media

“I chose this college as it offered the best facilities for the course. I love making films with the college equipment and the group projects are really fun.”

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Media

MEDIA

Discover the captivating world of media and unlock your creative potential with our comprehensive media department at Rotherham College.

Immerse yourself in stimulating qualifications designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge needed to excel in the dynamic fields of film, television, and online content creation. Through a hands-on approach, you'll delve into the fascinating realms of filming, TV production, and radio, unleashing your creativity and setting the stage for a successful career.

At Rotherham College, we provide an immersive learning experience that mirrors the professional environment. Our industry-standard facilities, including cutting-edge equipment and software like Adobe Creative Cloud, ensure you receive training on the tools used by industry professionals. Step into our TV studio and Radio Booths, where you'll gain practical experience and learn to thrive in real-world industry settings.

Throughout the course, you'll explore a wide range of captivating topics through pre-production, production, and post-production phases. From film production, media and film theory to the art of creating captivating content, you'll develop a strong foundation applicable to media production, film studies, television production, freelance work, or further education.

Dreaming of a career in film, television, marketing, or online content creation? Our course provides the stepping stone to a rewarding future. With your acquired skills, you can specialise in various areas, such as research, screenwriting, project management, editing, post-production, or distribution. The media industry is fast-paced and ever-evolving, offering limitless possibilities for those with a passion for creativity.

Upon completing our courses, you'll be well-prepared to thrive in the screen industries. From mastering industry-standard post-production platforms to delving into cinematography, lighting, and sound recording techniques, you'll gain valuable skills that employers seek. Embrace the world of media, unleash your creativity, and seize the boundless opportunities awaiting you.

Enrol onto a course from our media program today, where your imagination takes centre stage and your dreams become reality. Join us on this thrilling journey and embark on a path to an exhilarating career in the captivating realm of media and entertainment!

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.



WHAT WILL I STUDY?

By focusing on different areas of the creative media industry, we ensure that you develop the skills and expertise that stand out in the job market.

Each project offers a focused study into an important industry area, allowing you to acquire versatile skills necessary for a career in the media industry.

Whether you're producing music videos, crafting advertisements, developing documentaries, or exploring the world of podcasts and short films, you'll gain hands-on experience and hone your skills in lighting, camera work, audio production, and more.

- Assessment is by a range of tutor assessed practical assignments
- Build a portfolio to demonstrate practical performance

WHY STUDY HERE?

Studying media at Rotherham College means working in industry-standard facilities, taught by experienced industry professionals. Access to professional studios and equipment, working on live client briefs, creating your own film scripts and short films, running a college radio station, and experiencing the roles of media practitioners are just a few highlights of the journey you may travel.

Plus, our annual residential trips to exciting destinations and visits to galleries, exhibitions, and live TV show recordings will enrich your learning experience.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Camera Operator
- Director
- Freelance Practitioner
- Sound Designer
- Storyboard Artist
- Editor

Photography

PHOTOGRAPHY

Step into the captivating world of photography with our dynamic and innovative photography department. Our Photography courses offer a transformative educational experience for creative visionaries like you.

Immerse yourself in a curriculum designed to sharpen your creative abilities and equip you with the necessary tools to succeed in the photography industry. Explore a wide range of photographic styles, both traditional and digital, and master the art of managing client briefs. With access to state-of-the-art DSLR cameras and cutting-edge equipment, you'll unleash your creative potential while meticulously building a captivating portfolio that showcases your unique artistic voice.

Delve into the rich history of photography, gaining a critical perspective and deep understanding of various techniques. From the pioneers of the past to the contemporary masters, you'll study influential works that have shaped the art form and draw inspiration from their creativity. Through skills development, critical reflection, research, and the implementation of production ideas, you'll engage with diverse media, including print and interactive platforms, expanding your versatility and creative horizons.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

Our photography courses go beyond practical skills. They nurture an environment of self-reflection and growth, guiding you to a deeper understanding of your creative process and helping you harness your unique vision to create compelling visual narratives.

Join a vibrant community of like-minded individuals, collaborate with fellow students, and receive mentorship from industry professionals who will support you in unlocking your true potential. Our extensive network of connections ensures you have access to valuable industry insights and opportunities that will set you on the path to success.

Join us on this exhilarating educational adventure where you'll develop the skills, knowledge, and creative vision to thrive in the ever-evolving world of photography.

Unleash your creativity, shape your future, and become a driving force in the art of visual storytelling.



WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Throughout our courses, you'll have the opportunity to develop a range of skills, including studio photography encompassing portraiture, advertising, and experimental photography. You'll also have the opportunity to explore traditional photographic methods and darkroom practice, as well as digital photographic processes using industry-standard software such as Adobe Photoshop, Lightroom, and Premiere.

The culmination of your studies will be the creation of a professional portfolio, preparing you for progression into further education or work in the creative industries.

- Assessment is by a range of tutor assessed practical assignments
- Build a portfolio to demonstrate practical performance

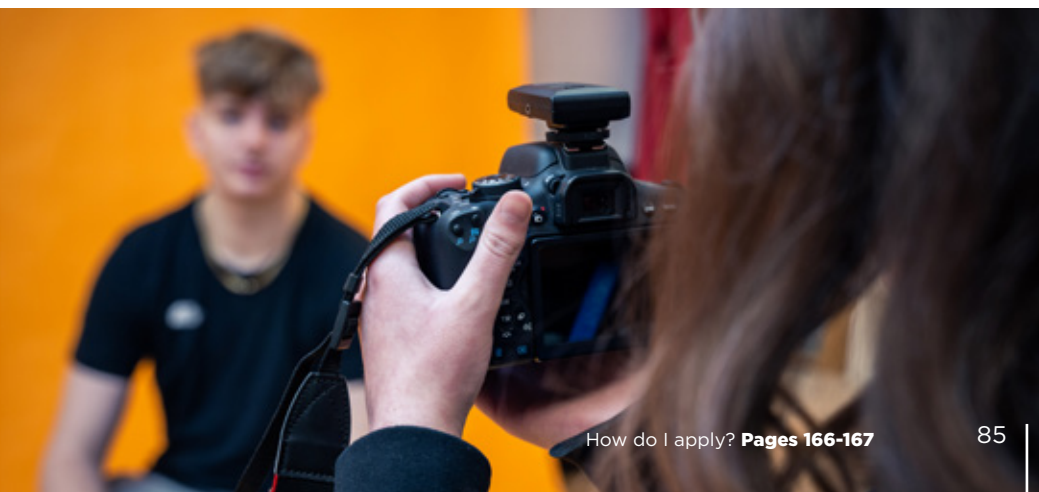
WHY STUDY HERE?

Studying photography at our institution means working with industry-standard facilities and being taught by industry professionals who will guide you on your journey to becoming a creative practitioner. You'll have access to professional studios and equipment, including darkroom facilities, digital editing suites, DSLR cameras, 35mm film cameras, and the Adobe Creative Suite.

Additionally, you'll have the opportunity to participate in residential trips to exciting destinations, such as Madrid, London, the Peak District, national galleries, and photography festivals, enriching your learning experience and broadening your horizons.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Assistant Photographer
- Studio Assistant
- Freelance Photographer
- Lighting Assistant





Future Careers...

IN MEDIA AND PHOTOGRAPHY

The media and photography sector is ideal for those who have a creative flair with a passion for creating content and an ability to build relationships with clients.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

PHOTOGRAPHER

Photographers take and process pictures of people, places, products and events.

Average salary - £17,000 to £45,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Discuss a project with the client and agree the 'brief', find and prepare locations for the photo session, set up equipment and lighting, and take photographs, edit and process images, using industry software, check colour match accuracy and image quality and select the best images for the client to use online or in print.*

Working environments:

You could work in a creative studio. Your working environment may be physically demanding and outdoors in all weathers.*

TV OR FILM ASSISTANT PRODUCTION CO-ORDINATOR

Assistant Production Co-ordinators support producers in making film and TV programmes.

Average salary - Variable**

Day-to-day tasks:

Help to run the production office, hire studio facilities and equipment, book accommodation and make travel arrangements, distribute filming schedules and scripts to cast and crew, organise and manage production meetings, get permission to use copyrighted music or film clips and deal with accounts.*

Working environment

You could work at a film studio, at a TV studio. Your working environment may be outdoors some of the time and you may spend nights away from home.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the media and photography sector include:**

- Communication
- Detail Oriented
- Editing
- Innovation
- Self-Motivation

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

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Performing Arts and Music

PUT YOUR PASSION INTO PRACTICE, CENTRE STAGE.

Whether you're looking to experience the buzz and adrenaline of opening night as the lights go up, or playing a roof-raising concert of live music to a sold-out audience, Rotherham College is the perfect place to start a creative career in music or acting.

PATHWAYS	
Level 1	Performance Industries Transitions
Level 2	Music Performance and Production Performing and Production Arts
Level 3	Music Performance and Production (Performance Pathway) Music Performance and Production (Technology Pathway) Performing and Production Arts (Both separate Pathways Acting and Musical Theatre)
Level 4/5/6	Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Theatre and Performance Bachelor of Arts (Hons) in Popular Music Performance and Production Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Theatre Acting and Performance
Your level will be discussed at interview	

PERFORMING ARTS

Our range of courses allow you to explore general performance or specialise in your passion including acting, musical theatre or dance. We have an on-site theatre where you can build your confidence and perfect performances. Our talented tutors will help you develop a range of performance techniques, helping you prepare for auditions and gain the experience you need to progress.

MUSIC

Learning in the Roland Academy, we offer you a fantastic creative environment to develop your skills. You'll use our dedicated music studios, immerse yourself in all forms of popular music and gain experience in live performance, sequencing, composition, music theory, recording, events and much more. You'll learn from passionate tutors who have a rich background in music, as well as taking part in regular events, trips and guest speaker sessions with those who work within the industry.



CASE STUDY

Elisha Wootton

Musical Performance

“I like that there are people from different backgrounds and everyone is allowed to express themselves. Since starting college I have become more confident and I can work better in a group.”

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Performing and Production Arts

PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS

Performing and Production Arts covers many aspects of the entertainment industry, from basic industry standard skills, including improvisation, script reading, physical theatre, choral speaking, ensemble singing and choreography all delivered by industry based professional.

Whether you're looking to experience the buzz and adrenaline of opening night as the lights go up or looking to experience the camaraderie of working together as a team to create a piece of theatre from scratch, then Rotherham College is the perfect place to start a creative career in musical theatre or acting.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Actors will develop new skills in greek style theatre, stage fighting and commedia dellarte. Actors will also gain extensive knowledge of drama practitioners such as Stanislavski, Bertolt Brecht and Augusto Boal.

Dancers will develop skills and techniques in all styles of dance such as ballet, jazz, lyrical and commercial whilst also studying practitioners and choreographers such as Martha Graham, Bob Fosse and Matthew Bourne.

From Level 1 through to Level 6, we offer a range of courses in performing and production arts.

WHY STUDY HERE?

We believe that the best industry experience is simply with industry based professionals. Our tutors are not only trained professionally in education but also have exclusive experience and connections within the performing arts industry.

We navigate the students through an adventure of experience which will help guide and advise on how to progress in the performing arts industry.

In addition to also maintain strong awareness of audition techniques and confidence based exercises.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Acting or Musical Theatre Auditions
- Choreographer
- Theatre Companies
- T.I.E (Theatre in Education)
- Film and Television Experience
- Live Events Manager
- Small Speaking Roles
- Technical Roles
- Runners
- Camera Operator
- Sound Operator
- Higher Education

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

Music Performance and Production

MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION

Music Performance and Production covers many aspects of the music and entertainment industry. Budding artists will develop skills to write songs and perform to a live audience, work with producers in pro level studios and learn to release music on online platforms.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Composers will develop skills to create original music using traditional and contemporary methods in studio productions, ensemble sessions and music for media, film and game scores.

Producers and technologists will sequence, sample and create beats and loops, manipulate sound and learn to mix and master music of all types.

Sound technicians will work in professional level theatre spaces and venues to set up staging and equipment, work with lighting and stage design and learn to control and mix live sound for bands and artists.

Popular music, history, culture and society will be explored to give insight and understanding of the music industry and the ever-evolving music and entertainment business world to gain the skills, knowledge and understanding to progress, get employment and succeed at the highest level.

WHY STUDY HERE?

At Rotherham College we have industry standard equipment in all our rehearsal and recording spaces. Pro music production software in studio spaces and all our digital audio workspaces.

You will be working in professional level performance and recording spaces with professionals in the field. All our staff are highly accomplished professional musicians experienced and active in the music industry.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Music Producer
- Musician
- Songwriter
- Composer
- Music Therapist
- Private Music Teacher
- Secondary School Teacher
- Sound Designer
- Sound Engineer
- Sound Technician,
- Broadcasting and Film
- Special Effects Technician
- Higher Education

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.





Future Careers...

IN PERFORMING ARTS AND MUSIC

The performing arts sector is ideal for those who enjoy performing, have a creative flair and have confidence to express their personality.

ACTOR

Actors use speech, movement and expression to bring characters to life in theatre, film, television and radio.

Average salary - Variable*

Day-to-day tasks:

Work with an agent to find new roles and opportunities, prepare for and go to auditions, research roles, learn lines and attend rehearsals, attend fittings for costumes, support back stage activities such as costume or prop management and work as a voice over artist or as an extra.*

Working environments:

You could work in a theatre, on a film set or at a recording studio. Your working environment may be physically and emotionally demanding and you may spend nights away from home.*

DANCER

Dancers use movement to perform for live audiences or in recorded performances.

Average salary - Variable*

Day-to-day tasks:

Rehearse routines, prepare for and go to auditions, take part in dance classes and maintain your fitness, perform in front of a live audience or to a camera, and promote yourself as a performer.*

Working environments:

You could work in a creative studio, in a theatre, at a TV studio, at a film studio, on a cruise ship or in the community. Your working environment may be physically and emotionally demanding, you'll travel often and you may spend nights away from home.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the performing arts and music sector include:**

- Communication
- Energetic
- Improvisation
- Public Speaking
- Enthusiasm

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Commercial Training Academy

Including Hair, Barbering and Beauty Services

IF YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR THE CREATIVE AND ARE INTERESTED IN STYLE THEN OUR HAIR AND BEAUTY COURSES ARE THE PLACE FOR YOU.

BEAUTY

Study all aspects of beauty therapy in our commercial salons using the latest equipment and products. You'll develop skills in both theoretical and practical aspects of beauty therapy across a range of treatments as well as reception and managerial skills.

There are opportunities to study additional short courses which provide you with the latest trends and techniques to prepare you for the world of work. Regular industry placements within local salons, spas and health settings throughout the course allow you to put into practice the skills learned at college and build your CV and portfolio. Many of our students have progressed onto our degree level courses or into employment as Beauty Therapists in salons and on cruise ships.

HAIR

Learn everything you need to know about hair and excellent customer service in a commercial salon environment. You'll study everything from the science behind hair conditions to chemical services and practical hair techniques.

Our training salons feature industry-standard equipment and products, allowing you to learn in a high-quality and professional working environment, which helps prepare you for a successful career.

During your studies, you'll complete an industry placement and gain experience of everyday salon life. This will help build your confidence and communication skills - preparing you for work in the industry. You'll also have the opportunity to study additional short courses which provide you with a range of skills, such as hair extension application.

PATHWAYS	
Level 1	Beauty Therapy Hair and Media Make-up Hairdressing
Level 2	Barbering Beauty Therapy Studies Hair and Media Make-up Hair and Beauty
Level 3	Barbering Beauty Therapy Hairdressing Theatrical Hair and Media Make-up
Level 4/5/6	Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Theatrical Hair and Media Make-up (Top-up)
Your level will be discussed at interview	

MEDIA MAKE-UP

You'll train within our dedicated media make-up classrooms and develop skills in airbrush make-up and cosmetic camouflage, prosthetics and special effects techniques, creative hairdressing and styling, face and body art and more.

As well as taking part in regular masterclasses and industry guest speaker sessions, there will be opportunities to work on-location with models and performers and provide a wide range of creative makeup services in media, theatre, and fashion and photographic settings. Our tutors will support you with entering into the World Skills UK competition, plus other trade shows and make-up industry exhibitions.



Beauty Therapy

BEAUTY THERAPY

Beauty Therapy is a substantial vocational qualification for learners seeking a career as a beauty therapist. Throughout these qualifications, learners will develop their knowledge and understanding of relevant anatomy and physiology, health and safety, communication, problem solving and research skills. You will also learn how to manage clients and provide a range of beauty treatments in a realistic working environment, which has all the latest treatments, products, techniques and up to date salons.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Manicure, Pedicure
- Facial Skincare
- Nail Art
- Customer Service
- Creating an Image (A Look Based on a Theme) Using Hair and Beauty Techniques
- Facials
- Waxing
- Manicures and Pedicures
- Eye Treatments
- Lash Lift

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

WHY STUDY HERE?

Learn from industry-experienced and well-qualified tutors who have many years of industry experience, and continue to work in the sector. They have specialist qualifications and knowledge to bring to their teaching.

- Gain practical skills within our commercial and training beauty salons
- Benefit from our links with local beauty salons and employers
- Enrichment opportunities include additional industry skills
- Take part in cross-cross college events

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

Our courses will prepare you for employment as a beauty therapist. You will also be eligible to join a professional association and gain insurance as a beauty therapist.

Career opportunities as a beauty therapist exist in a variety of contexts, including:

- Working in commercial beauty salons, spas and cruise liners
- Working in a retail concession in a department store
- Working independently, self-employed, mobile and home-based settings



All students will need a relevant kit and uniform upon enrolment on these courses. During your course interview your tutor will advise exactly what is required.

Hair

HAIRDRESSING

Hairdressing is routinely voted as one of the happiest jobs in the world, winning many votes for job satisfaction, creativity and using high level skills. Even in difficult economic times, people still need to get their hair cut. In terms of job security, hairdressers are almost guaranteed a job for life.

Keeping your training and education up to date, stay up to speed with trends and grow your social network, and you'll never be short of work. Our curriculum is designed to meet the diverse needs of the demographic area. We continually observe and expand new and emerging trends. We challenge ideas and forge links with employers and influencers in industry.

When qualified as a Hairdresser or Barber you join one of the most in demand industries. Hairdressing is a way of life and each day will be a different learning experience. Most of our hairdressing students would say that 'the learning experience with us has changed their life'.

All students will need a relevant kit and uniform upon enrolment on these courses. During your course interview your tutor will advise exactly what is required.





WHAT WILL I STUDY?

You will have the opportunity to study on many levels in the discipline of hairdressing, Level 1 through to Level 4 will take you on a journey of discovery and realisation that knowledge and skill go hand in hand.

- Promotional services and product knowledge
- Customer engagement skills
- Barbering services will give you the tools to compete in a fast-paced industry enabling you to gain full employment.
- Assessment is measured by a number of assessed practical assignments
- Knowledge is assessed by online multiple-choice examination

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

WHY STUDY HERE?

Having the opportunity to experience realistic working practice in our state-of-the-art salons.

Work with industry experts and collaborate with market leaders. You will have the opportunity to build your portfolio to boost your online presence.

You will be trained and prepared to compete at a high level and most of our students can work independently and go on to own their own businesses.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Employed in a Salon
- Employed in a Barbers Shop
- Self-employed in Industry
- Freelance in Industry
- Work for Industry Developers
- Work Abroad
- Cruise Liners

Media Make-up

Including Conceptual Artistry and Commercial Awareness of Fashion and Beauty Make-up

HAIR AND MEDIA MAKE-UP

The Hair and Media Make-up is a Beacon award-winning department which prides itself on its excellent links within the industry including local schools, theatre companies and the NHS. The department offers a friendly, supportive and professional learning environment.

Modern facilities and opportunities are available to learners, which offers the chance for learners to work with professional companies and brands. Courses and masterclasses are delivered by experienced industry staff and specialised.

Step into the captivating world of Hair and Media Make-up with our dynamic and innovative team.

Immerse yourself in a curriculum designed to sharpen your creative abilities and equip you with the necessary tools to succeed in the industry.

Hair and Media Make-up offers a Higher Education degree programme (credited by Hull University) providing higher skill sets for learners required for specialised industry make-up roles.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Our courses offer a broad range of skills from Entry Level 3, Level 1, Level 2, Level 3 and our Foundation Degree with a BA Top-up. Throughout our courses, you'll have the opportunity to develop a range of skills, varying practical and theory. Theory aspects cover key health and safety legislations, client care and communication.

Assessment is by a range of tutor assessed practical assignments, exams and projects. You will also build a portfolio to demonstrate practical performance which is ready for employers.

You will study practical skills such as:

- Make-up application
- Skincare
- Face and body paints
- Dressing hair
- Eye treatments



WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham College offers an accessible route to learners and the course is tailored to the local community. Studying Hair and Media Make-up at our industry means working with industry-standard facilities and being taught by industry professionals who will guide you on your journey to becoming a creative artist.

You will have access to professional salons and equipment, including a photography studio. Additionally you will have the opportunity to participate in residential trips to exciting destinations, take part in competitions and real life work experience to broaden your horizons and enhance your CV.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Freelance Make-up Artist
- Make-up Counters
- Film
- TV
- Theatre
- Salon
- Cruise Liner
- Further study programmes

All students will need a relevant kit and uniform upon enrolment on these courses. During your course interview your tutor will advise exactly what is required.





Future Careers...

IN HAIR AND BEAUTY

The hair and beauty sector is ideal for those who have a creative flair, enjoy helping people look and feel good about themselves and have a passion for keeping up with the latest trends.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

HAIRDRESSER

Hairdressers and barbers cut, shave, colour and style customers' hair.

Average salary - £19,000 to £30,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Talk to customers and discuss styling ideas, wash, cut and style hair, apply colours, tints, braids and hair extensions, trim and shape beards and moustaches, finish jobs using hair products, order stock, take payments and make appointments.*

Working environments:

You could work in a salon, in a barbershop, at a client's home, at a health spa or on a cruise ship. Your working environment may be physically active.*

BEAUTY THERAPIST

Beauty Therapists provide face and body treatments to help clients look and feel better.

Average salary - £23,000 to £29,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Give a facial by cleansing, massaging and toning a client's skin, do a makeover by applying and advising on make-up, shape eyebrows and colour eyelashes, give manicures, pedicures, extensions and nail art, remove unwanted facial and body hair, do non-surgical skin improvement treatments, offer ultraviolet (UV) treatments and spray tanning.*

Working environments:

You could work in a salon, at a health spa, on a cruise ship, in a hotel or from home.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the hair and beauty sector include:**

- Customer Service
- Communication
- Sales
- Time Management
- Multitasking

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

English and Maths

MAKE EVERYDAY LIFE EASIER WITH ESSENTIAL ENGLISH AND MATHS SKILLS.

English and maths skills are essential for work and every day life. That's why we offer a wide variety of courses in English and maths at Rotherham College.

Enabling you to move on to higher levels of Further Education, have better job prospects and more job security. We will fully support you to build your confidence in order to achieve your full potential and will ensure to personalise our programmes to suit your needs.

You'll be taught by our experienced team who will support you to build your knowledge in a way that best suits you, within our innovative and purposefully designed learning spaces.



English and Maths

ENTRY LEVEL

FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ENGLISH

This course will help you to build your confidence and independence at home and at work. With classes from Entry Level, these qualifications cover everything from the very basics to more advanced skills. This is a great course for those wanting to build on their ability to write professional letters, reports and CVs.

This course is free to those in receipt of a means tested benefit or those without an English and maths qualification. If you currently hold an English and maths qualification and would like to improve your grade there is a £362.00 cost per course.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Reading Skills
- Spelling
- Writing Skills
- Punctuation
- Communication Skills

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress onto studying their GCSEs or other Vocational courses. This course will help you move on to another course, enhance your current job opportunities or increase your chances of gaining employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- There are no formal entry requirements, but you will need to attend an initial assessment session to determine what level you are to be offered

GCSE

GCSE ENGLISH

This part-time course is perfect for those wanting to gain a qualification in English. If you already have a GCSE qualification in English below a grade 4, the course will be fully funded. You will be taught by our dedicated team who will support you in your learning so that you can develop your knowledge.

This course is free to those in receipt of a means-tested benefit or those without an English and maths qualification. If you currently hold a maths and English qualification and would like to improve your grade there is a £362.00 cost per course.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Creative Writing
- Speaking and Listening
- Spoken Language Study
- Reading
- Writing
- Extended Reading

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress onto further study or Higher Education courses.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You will need to complete an assessment which meets the entry criteria

ENTRY LEVEL**FUNCTIONAL SKILLS
MATHS**

This course will help you to build your confidence and independence at home and at work. With sessions from Entry Level, these qualifications cover everything from the very basics to more advanced skills. This is a great course for those wanting to progress in their career or support children with their homework.

This course is free to those in receipt of a means-tested benefit or those without an English and maths qualification. If you currently hold an English and maths qualification and would like to improve your grade there is a £362.00 cost per course.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Addition
- Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division
- Calculating Area, Volume and Capacity
- Graphs and Charts
- Fractions, Decimals, and Percentages
- Problem-solving
- Measure and Ratio

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress onto GCSE maths or other vocational courses.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- There are no entry requirements needed but you will need to attend an initial assessment session to determine what level you are to be offered

GCSE**GCSE MATHS**

This part-time course is perfect for those wanting to gain a qualification in maths. If you already have a GCSE qualification in maths below a grade 4, the course will be fully funded. You will be taught by our dedicated team who will support you in your learning so that you can develop your knowledge.

This course is free to those in receipt of a means-tested benefit or those without an English and maths qualification. If you currently hold an English and maths qualification and would like to improve your grade there is a £362.00 cost per course.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Algebra
- Geometry and Measures
- Number
- Statistics and Probability
- Flexible Courses Tailored to Your Needs
- Support with Employability Skills

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress onto further study or Higher Education courses.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You will need to complete an assessment which meets the entry criteria

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH, MATHS AND DIGITAL SKILLS TO REACH YOUR POTENTIAL.

Having good English and maths skills is important to help you succeed in your education, career and everyday life.

Our English for Speakers of Other Language (w) courses will improve your spoken English, reading and writing, maths and IT skills. Our courses are tailored to cater for all abilities and as your skills develop, you'll progress to more advanced topics.

Our ESOL classes include students from all over the world and are taught in a friendly and relaxed setting.

We support your learning and provide advice and guidance on your next steps for a successful future. Many of our students have progressed onto employment, one of our vocational courses, apprenticeships or Higher Education degrees.

PATHWAYS

Entry Level

ESOL Reading
ESOL Writing
ESOL Speaking and Listening

DID YOU KNOW?

We have an excellent reputation for delivering high-quality ESOL courses.



English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

ENTRY LEVEL

ESOL - READING

ESOL - SPEAKING AND LISTENING

ESOL - WRITING

Our ESOL reading, writing and speaking and listening courses will help improve your English reading, writing and speaking and listening skills.

In addition, you will also improve your maths and IT skills.

Courses are offered at beginner, intermediate and advanced levels to cater for all abilities and as your skills develop you can progress to a more advanced level.

Each course is designed to meet your individual learning needs and we also provide advice and guidance on your next steps.

As well as learning English you will also have the opportunity to take part in community projects, charity events, trips and career events and attend talks from employers.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Jobs, Hobbies and Interests, Health, Social Media, Communication, Travel and Transport, Sport and Keeping Fit
- Life in the UK and Your Community
- Employability Skills
- Building Confidence
- Computer Skills
- Maths
- Other Useful Skills for Work
- How to Work on Your Own Outside College

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress to study further education and receive help with finding employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- There are no entry requirements at pre-entry or Entry Level, but you will need to pass each level to move up
- After filling in an application form you will be invited to an initial assessment and interview

APPLYING

You can apply to ESOL courses if you are 16-18 and if you are 19+ years old.



Flex

LEARN THE SKILLS YOU NEED TO PROGRESS TO EMPLOYMENT OR VOLUNTEERING IN OUR FLEX DEPARTMENT.

Our FLEX Department is for students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) or High Needs.

You can choose from one of our four, project-led pathways depending on your personal aims and ambitions; Horizons, Pre-internships or Supported Internships with each pathway intended to help you towards one of two key goals – adulthood and independence or employment. We'll also help you with your English, Maths and IT skills.

When you study at Rotherham College you'll be based in the heart of the town centre with easy access to a wide range of facilities including the market and local shopping areas. You'll also have access to on-site salons, a library and the chance to perform in our theatre.

Our dedicated FLEX area includes a relaxation area, sensory room, purpose built independent flat/bedsit, kitchen area, arts and crafts area and an open classroom.

We have strong partnerships with local businesses and organisations and work with them to get involved in community projects. You'll also have the chance to take part in a wide range of health and wellbeing activities, from fitness classes to music and art therapy sessions.





FLEX HORIZONS

The intent of this programme is to primarily support students who suffer with low self-esteem, are deemed vulnerable and who may have specific SEMH and/or behavioural needs.

This programme is designed for those students who are unclear of their career aspirations and who are not fully equipped with the knowledge, skills and behaviours required to progress onto a specific vocational area of choice.

This programme will provide students with the opportunity to experience 'taster' sessions within a range of vocational areas to get a feel of what sector they are interested in progressing in, whilst at the same time developing their employability and personal and social development skills towards adulthood.

Students will attend College three days per week.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Employability Skills
- Personal and Social Development Skills
- Independence Skills
- Communication
- Study Skills
- Vocational Specific Units/Skills
- English, maths and ICT

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress onto another course with FLEX department such as Pre-Internships and Supported Internships. Students also have the opportunity to progress onto a Vocational Study Programme. An alternative progression route would be Semi-independent living or Supported living.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

No formal entry requirements

FLEX PRE-INTERNSHIPS

Pre-internships are designed to introduce students with SEND and High Needs to working life and are offered in a range of different sectors including Construction, Business Administration, Health and Beauty and Motor Vehicle.

The aim is to support you to develop the confidence and knowledge, skills and behaviours to become employable in your chosen sector.

On a pre-internship you will attend College for two days (10 hours) and work placement for one day (5 hours) each week.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Employability Skills
- Personal Development and Independence
- While studying with us we will work with you to ensure that your Maths, English, maths and IT skills are the best that they can be

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress onto another course with FLEX department such as Supported Internships. Students could also seek employment or undertake voluntary work.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You must have an EHCP in place

PLEASE NOTE

You must have an EHCP in place to access the pre-supported internship as well as the supported internship.

FLEX**PROJECT BASED LEARNING**

Our SEMH (Social, Emotional and Mental Health) Project Based Programme is a 12 week programme that is designed to support 16-19 year olds with Social, Emotional, and Mental Health needs.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

The aim is to build confidence, emotional resilience, and employability skills through a project based curriculum.

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

Students can progress into a college course or supported internships and apprenticeships after 12 weeks in the programme.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

This programme is for 16-19 year olds who are:

- At risk of or currently NEET (Not in Education, Employment, or Training).
- Previously home-educated (6+ months).
- In need of structured support to access further education, employment, or training.
- Each student will follow a 3-year learning plan to support progress and journey.

**FLEX****SUPPORTED INTERNSHIPS**

A Supported Internship is a study programme aimed at giving young people (aged 16-24) with an Education, Health and Care Plan experience in the workplace within a supported environment.

It is a platform for you to further develop your skills and experience in a structured way. You will take part in the programme with one of our partner employers and spend at least two days (10 hours) per week working in different areas to gain valuable experience with the support of an on-site Job Coach.

You will spend approximately one day at College each week.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

- Employability Skills
- Personal Development and Independence
- While studying with us we will work with you to ensure that your Maths, English and IT skills are the best that they can be
- This course has an emphasis on being out in the work place developing valuable employability skills, you will spend the majority of your time with an employer

WHAT CAN I DO NEXT?

After completing a Supported Internship, students can progress onto paid employment, undertake voluntary work, or an Apprenticeship.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You must have an EHCP in place
- You must be committed to participating fully in a work placement, adhering to employers policies etc
- Good attendance and punctuality record
- Willingness to accept a suitable job offer

Education and Childcare Services

**IF YOU LOVE SEEING CHILDREN
PROGRESS AND DEVELOP AS WELL AS
SUPPORTING WITH THEIR EDUCATION,
OUR COURSES ARE FOR YOU.**

Our range of qualifications in Education and Childcare Services at Rotherham College can lead to a licence to practice within the sector. We work in partnership with infant schools, specialist schools, nurseries, children's centres and childminders to ensure our students gain first-hand work experience of how to encourage children to learn, explore and be creative.

During your course you'll study topics such as communication with children and adults, child development, play and learning and more.

This course also features many practical sessions, including learning how to cook for children and supporting care routines for babies and young children.

PATHWAYS	
Level 1	Transition to Childcare
	Supporting Teaching and Learning - Preparing to work in Schools (Adult Course)
Level 2	T Level Foundation in Working with Children in Early Years and Primary Settings
	T Level Foundation in Supporting Teaching and Learning (Adult Course)
Level 3	Childcare and Education
	Supporting Teaching and Learning (Adult Course)
	T Level in Education and Childcare
Your level will be discussed at interview	

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.



Education and Childcare Services

EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE

The range of early years qualifications we offer will enable learners to gain the knowledge and experience to allow them to gain employment working with children aged 0-7 years in a range of settings including nurseries and schools or progress to higher education.

The qualifications we offer in Supporting Teaching and Learning will allow learners to gain the knowledge and experience which will allow them to work with children from 5 to 19 years, to prepare them to enter the workforce as teaching assistants and in order to develop vital knowledge, skills and behaviours relevant to the education industry.

Units covered within childcare qualifications provide learners with knowledge, skills and understanding of all safeguarding procedures, how to recognise and respond to abuse and how to deal with disclosures, all necessary skills important for working within the childcare and education industry.

Learners will learn about play and learning including how to plan activities to meet children's individual needs and the practical skills and knowledge to support and prepare colleagues within the workplace by preparing a positive learning environment for children and young people.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Within Education and Childcare, we offer development of knowledge and skills in the following areas:

- Play and learning
- Safeguarding
- Child health
- Observation, planning and assessment
- Supporting emergent Maths and Literacy
- International perspectives
- Child development
- Reflective practice

All of our courses will include varying levels of engineering Maths and and English. Level 2 and Level 3 qualifications offer work placement in the sector.

Our learners will build a portfolio of evidence, carry out task-based assessments and be observed in their placement to assess competency.

Within Supporting Teaching and Learning, we offer development of knowledge and skills in the following areas:

- Professional relationships
- Health and safety
- Positive behaviour
- Supporting English and Maths
- Special educational needs and disabilities
- Supporting assessment

Learners will be assessed in the classroom in a variety of ways. This includes written work (using Google Classroom), creating displays and carrying out professional discussions to demonstrate a deeper understanding of their knowledge.

Level 3 qualifications require learners to carry out external assessments alongside those marked internally.

WE OFFER T LEVELS IN THIS SUBJECT



WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham college offers innovative childcare courses which are delivered by a range of industry specialists with a wealth of experience and knowledge of the sector.

Close links with a variety of employers within the area offer students the opportunity to gain up to date, high quality knowledge and experience, essential for their future careers.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Early Years Practitioner
- Early Years Teacher
- Teaching Assistant
- Play Worker
- Childminder
- Child Protection Officer
- Education Welfare Officer
- Education Consultant
- Family Support Worker



ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.



Future Careers...

IN EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE

The education and childcare services sector is ideal for those who are patient, caring and have a passion for helping children to develop and learn to reach their full potential.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

PRIMARY SCHOOL TEACHER

Primary School Teachers are responsible for the educational, social and emotional development of children between the ages of 3 and 11.

Average salary - £33,000 to £51,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Prepare teaching materials, set up the classroom and organise displays, plan and teach lessons, mark work and talk to parents about their children's progress, manage the work of teaching assistants, follow safeguarding procedures and work with education psychologists, organise trips, after school clubs and sports events, work and attend meetings and training outside of usual working hours.*

Working environments:

You could work at a school or at a pupil referral unit.*

SECONDARY SCHOOL TEACHER

Secondary School Teachers teach children from 11 to 16, or up to 19 in schools with sixth forms.

Average salary - £33,000 to £51,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Prepare teaching materials, set up the classroom and organise displays, plan and teach lessons, mark work and talk to parents about their children's progress, manage the work of teaching assistants, follow safeguarding procedures, work with careers advisers, counsellors, education psychologists, organise trips, after school clubs or exam revision classes and work and attend meetings and training outside of usual working hours.*

Working environments:

You could work at a school, in a sixth form college, at a pupil referral unit or at a special needs school.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the education and childcare services sector include:**

- Organisational Skills
- Communication
- Enthusiasms
- English Language
- Planning

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Health and Social Care

DEVELOP THE IN-DEMAND SKILLS NEEDED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO SOMEONE'S LIFE.

The care sector is one of the biggest and most important industries in the UK. Job opportunities are vast, varied and very much in-demand; you could go on to become a Nurse, Operating Department Practitioner, Social Worker, Support Worker, Midwife, Carer or Counsellor.

Our nationally recognised qualifications provide you with sought-after, transferable skills for a successful career to begin your journey in the health and social care sector.

Our courses are ideal for those who have a true passion for caring for others. You'll learn key skills from our supportive tutors who have many years of experience working in the health and social care sector.

Practical sessions include a range of different aspects, along with theory to support and develop your knowledge further, giving you a better understanding of the roles and responsibilities within the career pathway you have chosen.

PATHWAYS - HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Level 1	Introduction to Health, Social Care and Children and Young People's Settings (Adult Course)
	Progression to Health Progression to Health (Adult Course)
Level 2	Care Assistant Apprenticeship Health and Social Care
	Progression to Health Science Professions (Adult Course)
Level 3	Health and Social Care
	Access to HE Health Science Professions (Adult Course)
	Access to HE Science (Adult Course)
Level 4/5	T Level in Adult Nursing
	Foundation Degree in Professional Practice in Health and Social Care
	Cert HE in Professional Practice in Health and Social Care
Your level will be discussed at interview	

ENGLISH AND MATHS

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WHY STUDY HERE?

At Rotherham College we have a fully-equipped hospital ward which we use to recreate real life situations in order to develop your skill set.

We have a wealth of experience in Science to support learners who may want to take a different pathway into the world of laboratory work, research, investigative studies, and areas such as Radiography, Pharmacy, Radiotherapy, Physiotherapy.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

Job opportunities are vast, varied and very much in-demand; you could go on to careers such as:

- Nurse
- Operating Department Practitioner
- Social Worker
- Support Worker
- Midwife
- Carer
- Counsellor

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

WE OFFER T LEVELS
IN THIS SUBJECT





Future Careers...

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

The health and social care sector is ideal for those who have a passion for caring for others and includes jobs in healthcare and medical settings.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH NURSE

Occupational Health Nurses care for the health and wellbeing of people at work.

Average salary - £32,000 to £57,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Carry out pre-employment medical checks, assess and treat employees who are injured or become ill at work, provide counselling and support, give advice on health education, health and safety and sickness absence and carry out risk assessments and keep employee health records.*

Working environments:

You could work in an NHS or private hospital or at a client's business. Your working environment may be physically demanding. You may need to wear a uniform.*

SOCIAL WORKER

Social workers help to protect vulnerable children and adults from harm or abuse and support people to live independently.

Average salary - £32,000 to £48,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Meet individuals and families to review their needs, make support plans, help clients develop and maintain independent living skills, keep clients safe and take action to protect them when necessary, work closely with communities, health professionals and other agencies, keep records, write reports and discuss cases with your supervisors.*

Working environments:

You could work in an office, in the community, at an adult care home, at a children's care home or in an NHS or private hospital. Your working environment may be emotionally demanding.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the health science and care sector include:**

- Communication
- Compassion
- Decision Making
- Management
- Planning

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Engineering

Including Fabrication and Welding and Mechanical

GEAR UP FOR YOUR FUTURE IN OUR HANDS-ON, STATE-OF-THE-ART WORKSHOPS.

The UK needs more engineers, so if you're interested in becoming an Engineer or a Welder, you can learn your trade in our industry-standard facilities using the latest equipment. You can choose from a range of Engineering courses, all taught by industry-experienced staff who have strong links with the sector. These courses will prepare you to move straight into employment in the industry or on to Higher Education.

ENGINEERING

Our engineering courses at Rotherham College range from mechanical, electrical, manufacturing to welding and fabrication, so you can focus on the area that interests you most. Each area of engineering is unique and our courses will develop your practical skills and theoretical understanding to prepare you for an industry that is both challenging and in high demand.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

PATHWAYS - ENGINEERING

Level 1	Skill Development for Engineering
Level 2	Engineering Operations
Level 3	Advanced Manufacturing Engineering T Level Foundation programme in Engineering T Level in Maintenance, Installation and Repair for Engineering and Manufacturing
Level 4/5	HNC in Engineering HND in Engineering
Your level will be discussed at interview	



Engineering

**WE OFFER 7 LEVELS
IN THIS SUBJECT**



ENGINEERING

Engineering is all around us and is essentially the art of designing products to solve real-world problems. Engineers use science-based models to complete tasks and projects that benefit the community.

This could include designing the latest automation and robotics, investigating renewable energy resources, contributing to sustainability and developing new prosthetic aids for the medical sector.

Our courses enable you to develop your engineering knowledge, skills, creativity and engineering experience to the highest levels in readiness for your future career or next level of study. Being an engineer means a cycle of continuous learning adapting to changes in society and the world around us.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Within engineering, we offer different engineering specialist routes:

- Welding and Fabrication – Welding practices and metal fabrication
- Machining – Milling, Turning and Hand Fitting
- Advanced Manufacturing – a mixture of electrical and mechanical engineering units including health and safety, electronics and programmable logic controllers

All of our courses will include varying levels of engineering maths and science (including material properties).

WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham College offers innovative engineering courses, taught in our state of the art facilities and engineering workshops. All of our courses are delivered by a range of industry specialists who can also offer careers advice for you to make informed choices about your next steps.

Our curriculum is designed with input from local employers to ensure we are providing the essential skills needed to fill the engineering skills gap in Rotherham and the surrounding areas. Through the use of Google Workspace, we also develop essential digital and independent skills needed to be successful in the world of work.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Apprenticeships
- Higher Education (Including entry to University or a place on our Higher National Certificate in Engineering)
- Machinist
- Fabricator
- Welder
- Operative
- Project Manager
- Product Design

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.





Future Careers...

IN ENGINEERING

The engineering sector is ideal for those who have the ability to come up with new ways of doing things, have problem-solving skills and enjoy working practically.

TYPES OF ROLES AVAILABLE:

MECHANICAL ENGINEER

Mechanical Engineers design, build and install machinery used in industries like power, engineering, transport and manufacturing.

Average salary - £28,000 to £60,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Turn research ideas into technical plans, using computer-aided design software, test mechanical systems and analyse data to make improvements, assess the safety of mechanical machinery and equipment, oversee maintenance programmes in buildings, power stations and production plants and manage a project team of technicians, designers and other engineering professionals.*

Working environments:

You could work in an office, in a factory or visit sites. Your working environment may be outdoors in all weathers.*

ELECTRICAL ENGINEER

Electrical Engineers design, build and maintain electrical systems, machinery and equipment in lots of different industries.

Average salary - £27,000 to £58,000*

Day-to-day-tasks:

Draw up project plans and technical diagrams, using engineering design software, estimate costs and project timings, test installations and systems, and analyse results, make sure projects meet safety regulations, co-ordinate the work of technicians and craftspeople and oversee inspection and maintenance programmes.*

Working environments:

You could work in a factory, at a power station, in a workshop, at a research facility or in an office. Your working environment may be at height.*

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In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within the engineering sector include:**

- Communication
 - Detail Oriented
 - Planning
 - Problem Solving
 - Reliability
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*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Technology

*Including Computing, Computer Science,
Cyber Security, Data Analytics and IT Software*

LOG IN TO THE THRIVING COMPUTING AND DIGITAL SECTOR WITH OUR EXCITING RANGE OF COURSES.

Our qualifications are nationally recognised and valued for their ability to develop confident, highly skilled professionals. You'll gain a range of industry-relevant skills and knowledge within several areas of computing.

Topics covered vary per course and level but typically include cyber security, software development such as games and app programming, website design, graphics, computer networking, cloud computing, learning how to configure networks and much more.

COMPUTING

These courses provide opportunities for students to develop a range of computing skills, techniques, personal qualities and attitudes essential for a successful career.

You'll learn from tutors with a broad range of industry experience who are passionate about developing the next generation of digital experts. As well as gaining the knowledge and tools you'll need to succeed in the industry, you'll develop wider transferable skills sought after by employers including problem-solving, creativity and research.

DIGITAL

If you have a passion for computing and games design, the job opportunities are endless and in high-demand for talented qualified practitioners.

These qualifications also help to ensure that you have the breadth and depth of skills required to progress to employment, self-employment, an apprenticeship, or Higher Education.

PATHWAYS	
Level 1	Computing and Information Technology
	Games Design and Development
Level 2	T Level in Digital
	Games Design and Development
Level 3	Games Design and Development
	T Level in Digital Design and Production
Level 4/5/6	Cyber Security Engineer HTQ
	Data Analyst HTQ
	Software Engineering HTQ
	Games Design
	Networking
	Programming
Your level will be discussed at interview	



Computing



COMPUTING

Computing, information technology, and digital applications have become integral parts of our daily lives and are used extensively by individuals, businesses, and communities worldwide. The impact of these technologies is far-reaching and offers numerous opportunities to make a real difference in various areas.

Developing software solutions enables businesses and individuals to streamline processes, improve efficiency, and enhance productivity. AI technologies have revolutionised various sectors, including healthcare, finance, transportation, and customer service.

Cyber security industries, with the increasing reliance on digital systems, protecting sensitive information and ensuring the security of digital infrastructure is crucial.

Data analysis helps businesses understand customer performance, optimise processes, and make data-driven decisions.

With these sectors, it's no surprise that the IT job market is booming, with nearly 1 million jobs available in Information Technology last year alone.

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.

**WE OFFER T LEVELS
IN THIS SUBJECT**
WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Each course provides a different experience and expertise where you will learn and demonstrate a wide variety of techniques and skills for employment and or your next level with digital industries.

Within Computing, we offer different digital and technical specialist routes including:

- Software engineering and development
- Cyber security and computer forensics
- Ethical hacking
- Networking
- Programming
- Core IT skills for employment

WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham College offers innovative Computing and Digital courses, taught in our state-of-the-art facilities and networking labs. All of our courses are delivered by a range of industry specialists who can also offer careers advice for you to make informed choices about your next steps in employment, further education and higher education.

Our curriculum is designed with input from local and national employers to ensure we are providing the essential skills needed to access employment and take advantage of the growing jobs market in this industry.

Designing, developing, and constructing computer-based solutions to real professional problems is a valuable skill set in today's digital world. Our courses are designed to equip you with the knowledge needed to tackle real-world digital and technological problems, enhancing your problem-solving abilities, and developing critical thinking skills.

**WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES
COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?**

Job opportunities are vast, varied and very much in-demand; you could go on to careers such as:

- Higher Education (Including entry to University or a place on our Degree level courses)
- Apprenticeships
- Software Engineer
- ICT Manager
- Web Developer
- Analyst
- Application Developer
- Database Administrator
- Information Systems Manager
- IT Project Manager
- IT System or Business Analyst
- Network Engineer
- Software or Hardware Trainer
- System Analyst
- System Support Engineer
- Programmer
- Cyber Security Officer
- Computer Engineer

Games Design and Development

GAMES DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

The UK has a rich history of producing world-class video games with globally renowned companies such as Rockstar, Rare and Bullfrog Productions, to local and regional influential studios emerging with prominence, such as Sumo Digital and BGI all having significant contributions to the global gaming industry.

The UK's games industry makes a significant contribution to the country's economy. The sector's annual worth exceeds £4 billion, highlighting its economic importance.

The UK gaming sector is thriving, with over 2,000 active games companies operating in the country. These companies span across all sizes and scales, ranging from small indie studios to large AAA developers. The national sector always requires skilled artists and developers in game development, including programming, art, design, and audio, extending across the full spectrum of games technologies and platforms, encompassing mobile, PC and console gaming.

The industry is not only focused on established platforms but also embracing emerging technologies. Virtual Reality (VR), Augmented Reality (AR), Esports, and Artificial Intelligence (AI) are fast-developing sectors that UK game developers are actively exploring.

These technologies offer new and exciting possibilities for immersive gameplay experiences and innovative gameplay mechanics.

The demand for gaming continues to grow, with ongoing enthusiasm among gamers for the latest technology. This strong demand indicates a promising future for the gaming industry.

As technology advances and new platforms and experiences emerge, the UK game development sector is well-positioned to capitalise on these opportunities and continue its legacy of producing world-class games.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Each course provides a different experience and expertise where you will learn and demonstrate a wide variety of techniques and skills for employment or your next level within gaming industries.

Within Games Design and Development, we offer different digital and traditional specialist courses including:

- 2D and 3D games engines
- 2D and 3D animation
- 2D and 3D modelling
- 2D and 3D character art for games development
- 2D and 3D games development
- Concept art
- Audio for games
- Programming



WHY STUDY HERE?

Rotherham College offers innovative Games Design and Development courses, taught in our state-of-the-art facilities workshops. All of our courses are delivered by a range of industry specialists who can also offer careers advice for you to make informed choices about your next steps in both employment and further education and higher education.

You can expect to study practical and technical courses, undertaking exciting projects and assignments working with local, regional and national employers including Sumo Digital and Adidas.

All of our Games Design and Development courses support learners in developing confidence and taking ownership of their projects, demonstrating initiative, making independent decisions, creating high quality outcomes ready for employment or the next level of education.

WHAT CAREERS OR STUDIES COULD I PROGRESS ON TO?

- Higher Education (Including entry to University or a place on our Degree level courses)
- Apprenticeships
- Games Designer or Developer
- App Developer
- 3D Modeller
- Animation Specialist
- Digital Media
- Programmer
- Software Engineer
- Games Tester
- Games or Concept Artist

ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you haven't achieved GCSE English and maths at grades 4 or above you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.



CASE STUDY

Chad Marson

Games Animation

“College has helped me become more myself. I was a shy and reserved person, and the more time I spent at college, and specifically this course, it’s helped me grow as a person and open up more.”

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Future Careers...

FUTURE CAREERS IN COMPUTING AND DIGITAL

The computing sector is ideal for those who like to keep up-to-date with the latest technology, are creative thinkers and are passionate about working in an industry which is in high demand.

WEB DESIGNER

Web designers use their creative and technical skills to design new websites and improve existing ones.

Average salary - £28,000 to £50,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Speak with clients to find out what they want their site to do, create engaging prototypes, using both code and design software, make sure websites meet accessibility standards and design principles, work closely with marketing teams on targeting content, features and branding, analyse website data to identify trends and increase visitor numbers, use content management systems (CMS) to manage and maintain sites and keep up to date with emerging trends and changing technology.*

Working environments:

You could work in an office, from home or at a client's business.*

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER

Software Developers create and test programs that allow people to complete tasks, run services and use digital devices.

Average salary - £30,000 to £75,000*

Day-to-day tasks:

Discuss client requirements and potential development ideas, work with a technical team to form design plans and timescales, write or update computer code, test software at each stage to find and fix problems, make sure software meets industry quality standards, record changes made at each stage of development, complete final checks before a product is released for use, and maintain and support systems once they're up and running.*

Working environments:

You could work in an office, from home, remotely or at a client's business.*

In-demand skills that commonly appear in job descriptions for roles within these sectors include*:

- Communication
- Management
- Detail Oriented
- Problem Solving
- Self-motivation

*Information from National Careers Service 2026

**Information from Lightcast 2026

Careers Index

If you have a dream job or career in mind, you can find progression routes to the below professions on their corresponding page numbers.

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- Software Engineer
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- Welder

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- Composer
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- Dancer
- Live Events Manager
- Musician
- Music Label Executive
- Sound Engineer
- Venue Manager

Travelling to College

**WE ARE EASILY ACCESSIBLE
BY BUS, TRAIN AND CAR.**



TRAVELLING TO US...

BY BUS

Our colleges are close to many bus routes across South Yorkshire.

Rotherham Interchange bus station, which is conveniently located close to our town centre campus, also provides great travel access to and from surrounding areas.

The Traveline journey planner can help you plan a route and get information about public transport services: **traveline.info**

We also run a college bus service, which you can view on the next page.

BY TRAIN

Rotherham College is located a short walk from Rotherham Central train station (RMC). Rotherham Central also operates a tram-train service between Sheffield City Centre and Rotherham.

The closest train station to Dearne Valley College are Bolton-upon-Dearne (BTD), Mexborough (MEX) and Swinton (SWN).

If you travel a lot by train you could benefit from a railcard.

A 16-17 saver railcard gets you 50% off standard anytime, off peak, advance and season tickets. It is just £30 and is valid for one year or until your 18th birthday, whichever comes first. For more information visit **16-17saver.co.uk**

A 16-25 railcard can get you 1/3 off rail travel for everyone aged 16-25 for just £30 for one year or £70 for three years. For more information visit **16-25railcard.co.uk**

Mature students can also apply for a one-year railcard, which can be extended with evidence of continuing to study every year.



BY CAR

A number of public car parks are located within easy walking distance of Rotherham College and the Construction Centre including Drummond Street and Percy Street.

Dearne Valley College offers free car parking for students and visitors.

TRAVEL PASSES

There are free travel passes available to students, offering cheaper fares on public transport networks in South Yorkshire.

The 16-18 travel pass allows young people to travel on buses and trams for as little as 80p per journey and half-fare travel on Northern trains. Passes are valid all year round for up to two years.

There are also 18-21 passes available to those who live in South Yorkshire which also offer 80p travel in South Yorkshire to those aged 18 to 21.

Applications for a travel pass can be made online at:

travelsouthyorkshire.com/1618

There are tickets available for fares in South Yorkshire that range from 1, 7, 28 day or annual period to make travelling to college cheaper.

If you are aged over 18, an 18-22 card is available regardless of where you live, for travel in South Yorkshire. The card offers 15% off the price of 1, 7 or 28 day TravelMaster tickets.

Student Bus Service

HOP ON BOARD!

We have a number of student only bus routes making it easier to get to Rotherham College and Dearne Valley College from a range of areas.

Each service will run first thing in the morning getting you into College for your first lesson and will return at the end of the College day.

There is a small charge per day or multiple travel passes can be purchased for a discounted price.

You may be eligible for funding to pay for your journey to and from College, more information on Financial Support can be found on page 19.

For more information on our Student Bus Service and details on how to book once you have enrolled, please visit:

**[rotherham.ac.uk/information/
student-support/student-bus-service](https://rotherham.ac.uk/information/student-support/student-bus-service)**

**[dearne-coll.ac.uk/information/
student-support/student-bus-service](https://dearne-coll.ac.uk/information/student-support/student-bus-service)**

Please note our bus timetables are subject to change. Check our websites for the most up to date information.



SCAN HERE TO VIEW
BUS TIMETABLES



HOW TO BOOK



1

Visit Zeelo website

Visit zeelo.co/rides/rotherham-college-and-dearne-valley-college



2

Select your pass

Choose between a multi-ride travel pass (10, 20, 30 or 50 journeys) or a one day pass (single/return journey)



3

Confirm pass and create Zeelo account

Enter your desired pick-up and drop-off locations and confirm. Follow the steps to create your Zeelo account



4

Select your journeys (travel pass only)

For multi-ride travel passes only, visit 'My Rides' (zeelo.co/my-zeelo), select your pass & book onto the journeys you would like to travel



5

Your coach is booked

You will receive an email before your journey with your tickets, or you can find in 'My Rides'



6

Check your tracking link on the day

You'll receive this via SMS and will also be able to see it via the app. Ensure you arrive 5 mins early to your stop

Commercial Outlets

ROTHERHAM COLLEGE

REFINE YOUR SKILLS IN REALISTIC WORKING ENVIRONMENTS

In our on-site commercial outlets, students can put their passion into practice by working with real customers in real working environments.

You can also visit any one of our outlets as a customer - whether you're getting your nails done, grabbing some gourmet grub or exercising in one of our state of the art fitness areas, there is something for everyone - at a fantastic, discounted price.



HAIR AND BEAUTY SALON

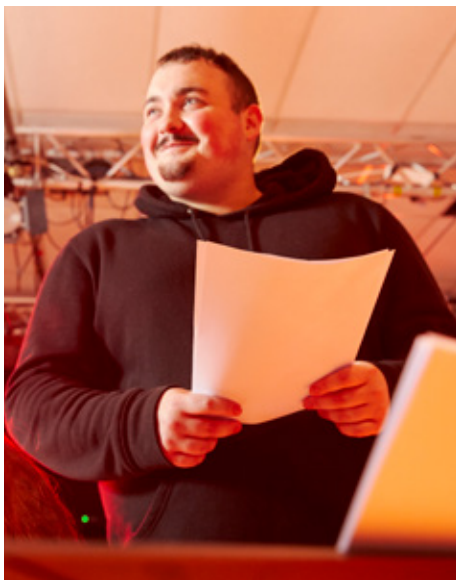
Rotherham College's salon offers a premium salon experience at an affordable price.

Kitted out with state-of-the-art equipment, our hair, beauty and make-up salons are the perfect destination to treat yourself at a fraction of the cost.

01709 722776

innovates65.rotherham.ac.uk





THE WHARNCLIFFE

Pop into our fantastic on-site restaurant to refresh yourself with a morning coffee, unwind with friends for a relaxing drink or even enjoy a delicious three course meal.

Operating as Rotherham College's training restaurant, The Wharncliffe has an excellent reputation for outstanding food and service, provided by our learners under the watchful eye of their tutors.

01709 722767

thewharncliffe.co.uk



STUDIO THEATRE

Enjoy a play, panto, or music concert at our College Studio Theatre, performed by our students or external companies.

Whether you're looking for some light-hearted fun or the next cutting-edge drama, the Studio Theatre accommodates for all interests with a calendar brimming with events. Encompassing a diverse range of performing arts genres, the Theatre is equipped with the industry-standard facilities needed to create an immersive experience for its audience.

01709 722721

theatre@rotherham.ac.uk

Commercial Outlets

DEARNE VALLEY COLLEGE



FITNESS 63 AND DVC SPORTS

With newly refurbished Astroturf pitches, an on site gym and sports hall, we are fully kitted out with the latest fitness machines and equipment.

Discounted memberships are available to students. Students also have access to the Manvers Lake offering a range of water sports and activities.

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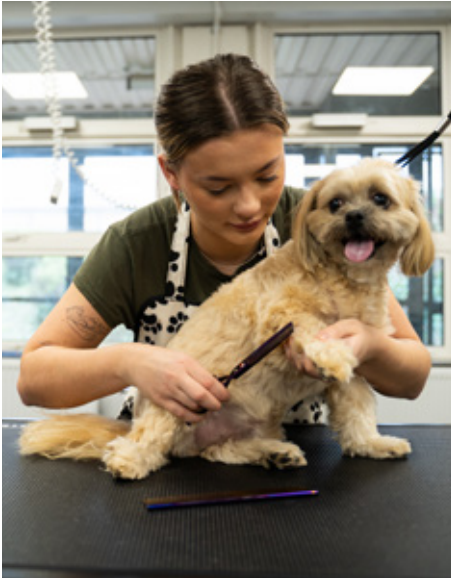
THE FARM SHOP

At Dearne Valley College, we have our very own on-site farm shop that is fully stocked with ethically sourced products produced by local businesses and the students themselves.

Shop local! Our on-site shop stocks a huge range of locally sourced produce including eggs from hens farmed on-site as well as veg boxes containing locally grown salad and other vegetables. We also sell a range of products made by the College students themselves including sweets and Dog Treat bags.

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NORTH NOTTS COLLEGE



DOG GROOMING

Dog Grooming community outlet, level 2 and level 3 people can pay to bring their dogs in to get them groomed.

katie.worker@rnngroup.ac.uk or
rachel.new@rnngroup.ac.uk



HAIR AND BEAUTY SALON

North Notts College's salon offers a premium salon experience at an affordable price.

Kitted out with state-of-the-art equipment, with the calibre to match any high street salon, our hair, beauty and make-up salons are the perfect destination for some well-earned 'me time'.

We're proud to say that healthy, happy hair is something of a passion of ours, so your locks are in very good hands.

We believe that the enthusiasm and creativity of our students combined with the experience of the highly qualified tutors is what makes us a cut above the rest.

An extensive list of beauty treatments are also available so there's no excuse not to spoil yourself with a new set of nails, indulge in a facial treatment or treat yourself to a professional makeover.

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Dearne Valley College

YOUR CAMPUS

At Dearne Valley College, our purpose is to help you achieve your professional and personal goals.

All of the courses and apprenticeships we offer aim to provide students with the tools that they need in order to take their first step towards their dream career.

Located in Wath-upon-Dearne, less than 20 minutes from Rotherham Town Centre by bus, we specialise in providing our students with a career-focused education. Our industry-specific courses are also designed with current and future career trends and technologies in mind, so that students can learn the most sought-after skills in their chosen industry and start their career one step ahead.

Students who study with us also have access to a range of industry-standard facilities. This includes our own onsite sports hall and gym facility, fully equipped with all the latest fitness technology. Students and staff are able to use these facilities, and have access to discounted memberships.

For more information about Dearne Valley College, please visit dearne-coll.ac.uk

STUDY WITH US

Our courses include a variety of levels to suit all abilities - from entry-level to degree-level - as well as a range of apprenticeships.

Choose from a wide range of subjects including:

- Animal Care
- Construction (Joinery, Plastering and Bricklaying)
- English and Maths
- Esports
- FLEX - Dedicated department for students with Special Educational Needs
- Health and Social Care
- Land-Based Industries
- Motor Vehicle
- Public Services
- Sport

YOUR FACILITIES

We pride ourselves on investing in your future. All of our courses are delivered in industry-standard facilities with excellent equipment.

Our on-site Animal Care department houses many different species ranging from skinks to snakes, and meerkats to mice. We are also one of the only colleges in the UK to have our very own Armadillo.

At our Academy of Sport, you can really raise the bar by using facilities such as our on-site sports and fitness centre, multisport cages, Astro turf pitches and the nearby Manvers boathouse and lake. Explore our outdoor low ropes activity centre to practice team building skills and agility.

You can also fuel your future in our motor vehicle workshop housing hybrid and electric vehicles. You can also craft key skills in our workshops dedicated to trowel occupations, carpentry and joinery and plastering.

Delve into our state-of-the-art Health facilities where we have simulated wards which offer students invaluable hands-on practice. Gain access to cutting-edge technology in Esports with our top-spec computers and immersive F1 Williams simulator racing rigs.

Outdoors, you can cultivate your land-based skills in our fantastic facilities including our 12-acre forest, polytunnels and more.

Your time with us is about more than learning. We want you to enjoy your experience with us - whether this be through socialising with your new peers or being able to relax whilst you study, we have plenty of social spaces for you to do so.

HELPING YOU SUCCEED

Studying with us gives you industry specific skills for life that you can use within your future career.

By working with our extensive network of local and regional employers, we make sure that our courses give you the skills for success that businesses are looking for. Our professional networks also offer the opportunity for work experience and potential future employment.

Our talented teams of specialist tutors have worked, or still work, in the industry they teach. They bring a wealth of expert knowledge, breadth of experience and passion to their teaching. Whatever your area of interest, we have the facilities, expert tutors and professional links to help you succeed.



North Notts College

HANDS-ON LEARNING IN THE HEART OF WORKSOP.

At North Notts College, what you learn is what you'll use. Every year, our technical courses and apprenticeships help to educate, develop and prepare thousands of local people to achieve their dreams.

YOUR CHOICE

Our courses and apprenticeships are designed together with local employers to make sure that whatever your dream career is, we'll make sure you're prepared. Choose from a wide range of subjects including:

- Business
- Computing
- Construction
- Education and Childcare Services
- Engineering
- English and Maths
- FLEX - Dedicated department for students with Special Educational Needs
- Hair and Beauty
- Health and Social Care
- Media Make-up
- Motor Vehicle
- Public Services
- Sport



YOUR FACILITIES

Across our two campuses in the heart of Worksop, we take learning beyond the classroom. Our campus in Worksop is just a five minute walk from the train station and offers engaging learning environments such as our Hair and Beauty salon (open to members of the public), our purpose-built construction workshops, kitted out with all the tools you need to succeed and our state-of-the-art gym.

We provide courses in Media Make-up and Sport, where our students have access to cutting-edge equipment and spacious facilities.

Located in Worksop town centre is our Bridge Skills Hub campus, where we deliver Higher-Level qualifications alongside our sister university, University Centre Rotherham.

To find out more about higher-level qualifications in the heart of Bassetlaw, please visit

nnc.ac.uk/bridge-skills-hub

For more information about North Notts College, please visit: nnc.ac.uk





STUDY Smart, Local

WHO ARE WE?

At University Centre Rotherham, we offer full and part-time higher-level and degree courses in the heart of Rotherham and at our partner college sites across South Yorkshire and North Nottinghamshire.

The Bridge Skills Hub, in the centre of Worksop, also offers several of our Higher Education courses. To find out more, refer to our website.

We're part of the RNN Group alongside Rotherham College, North Notts College, Dearne Valley College and a number of other subsidiary training organisations.

WHAT DO WE BELIEVE IN?

Your professional and personal fulfilment is at the heart of everything we do. Whether you're continuing your studies, changing career path, or returning to education, we're here to help you succeed.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT?

Studying with us is a rewarding and fun learning experience which is all about you. By studying a higher-level qualification on your doorstep you will have access to:

- State-of-the-art facilities
- Industry-experienced staff
- Lower fees
- Fantastic student experience
- Small, friendly community
- Degrees accredited by top universities
- A supportive and caring learning environment
- Flexible learning

OPEN EVENTS

Our Open Events are access all areas to give a real feel for what University Centre Rotherham offers for your next steps into Higher Education. Visitors can tour our campus and fantastic facilities, meet our support staff, Student Ambassadors and speak to our industry-experienced tutors from every department area.

VISIT US:

Wednesday 30 September 2026
4.30pm - 6.30pm

Wednesday 10 February 2027
4.30pm - 6.30pm



Wednesday 19 May 2027
4.30pm - 6.30pm

To book a place at an event please visit: ucr.rotherham.ac.uk/open-events
You can also visit our on-demand Open Event website at: ucreevents.rotherham.ac.uk

Bridge Skills Hub

HIGHER EDUCATION (HE) COURSES IN THE HEART OF WORKSOP.

North Notts College delivers a variety of Higher Education (HE) courses at The Bridge Skills Hub

OUR COURSES

Whether you are looking to switch careers, retrain, or further your education, our committed tutors will be there to help you every step of the way. With courses from level 3 up to level 5, The Bridge is the perfect place to begin your university education.

Our degree courses are accredited by top universities, meaning you can access the same high-quality education, without having to pay travel or accommodation expenses! We boast strong industry links in the local area and this is reflected in the diversity of the courses we have on offer across the health and social care sector.

OUR FACILITIES

The state-of-the-art Education Centre houses six classrooms, several breakout spaces, private offices, an auditorium, two clinical teaching rooms, and its very own clinical suite and mock ward.

These facilities offer students exposure to real-world environments while providing a safe space for learning.





CASE STUDY

Nigel Kajan

Access to HE - Health Science Professions

“College is a great place to study and the tutors are incredibly supportive and friendly. After I complete my course, I plan to progress to Higher Education.”

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HOW TO Find us

ROTHERHAM COLLEGE



Town Centre Campus

Eastwood Lane
Rotherham
S65 1EG

NORTH NOTTS COLLEGE



Workshop Campus

Carlton Road
Worksop
S81 7HP

SITE KEY

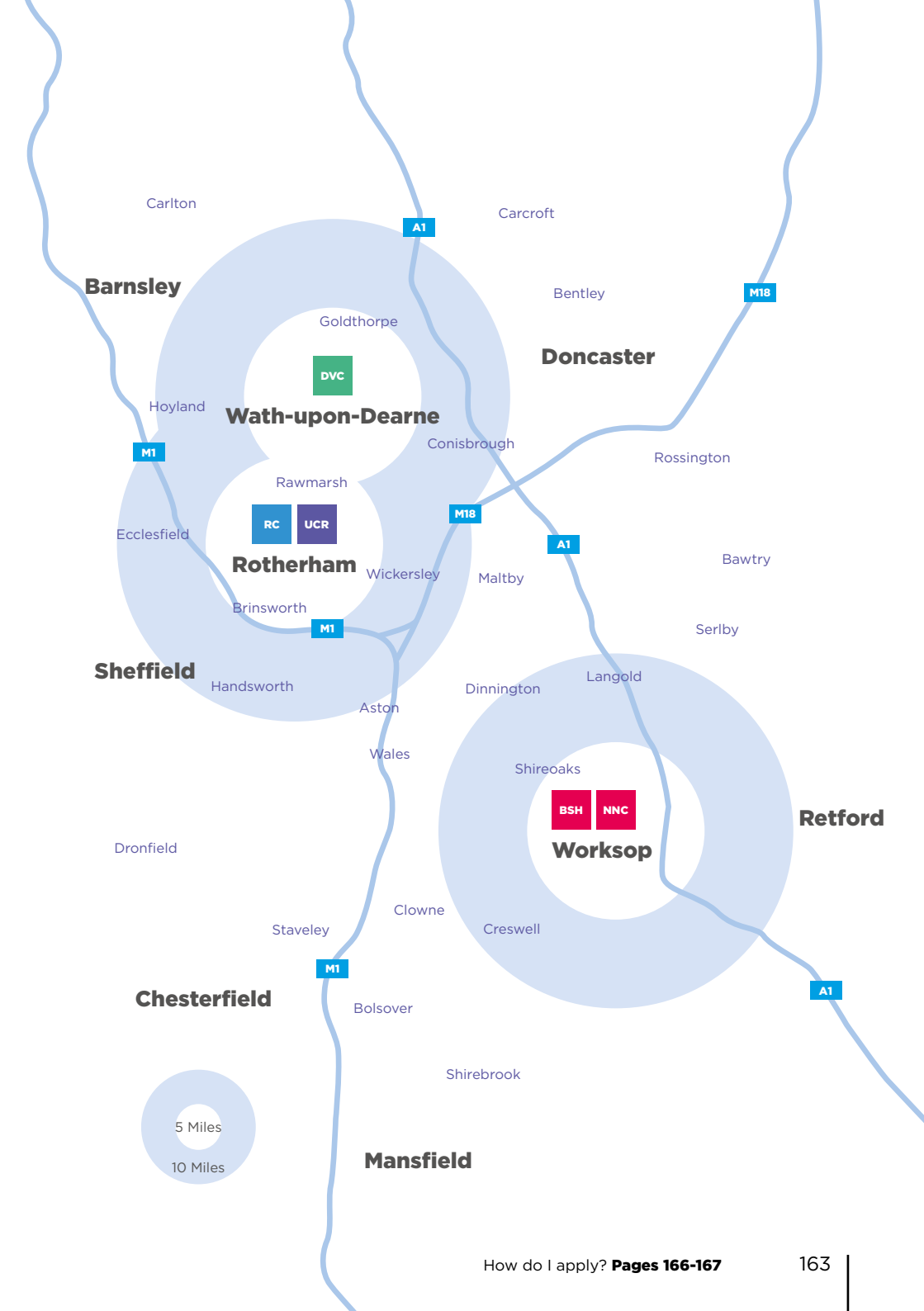
DVC	Dearne Valley College Dearne Campus
RC	Rotherham College Rotherham Campus
UCR	University Centre Rotherham
BSH	Bridge Skills Hub
NNC	North Notts College Worksop Campus

DEARNE VALLEY COLLEGE



Manvers Campus

Manvers Park
Wath-upon-Deerne
Rotherham
S63 7EW



Open Events

EXPLORE OUR CAMPUSES AND FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF STUDYING WITH US AT ONE OF OUR OPEN EVENTS.



ROTHERHAM COLLEGE

Saturday 14th November 2026

9.30am-1pm

Saturday 23rd January 2027

9.30am-1pm

Saturday 13th March 2027

9.30am-12pm

Wednesday 9th June 2027

3pm-6.30pm

WE INVITE YOU TO:

- Learn more about our wide range of courses
- Meet our industry-experienced tutors
- Speak to our Student Ambassadors about their experience at college
- Explore your career options
- Attend tours of our industry-standard facilities
- Get a feel for the courses available with our interactive demos
- Ask any questions and make an application



**ROTHERHAM
COLLEGE**

INTERESTED IN ATTENDING?

To pre-register please visit:

rotherham.ac.uk/open-events

CAN'T ATTEND AN EVENT?

We are always happy to talk with you about your future. We can provide tours of our facilities and individual talks to assist with your decision making.

Arrange a visit by contacting:

schoolevents@rnngroup.ac.uk

You can also find lots of useful information on our on-demand Open Event websites, including our tutors speaking about their subject specialisms at:

events.rotherham.ac.uk

GET IN TOUCH

www.rotherham.ac.uk

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How to Apply

Use our checklist to complete your application and start your College journey.

1. RESEARCH

- ☐ Identify subjects you find interesting in our course guide
- ☐ Visit our websites for useful information and to explore your career options
- ☐ Come along to an Open Event to meet our Tutors and get a feel for our college campus

If you would like a more personalised visit, please email schoolevents@rnngroup.ac.uk

2. APPLY

- ☐ The quickest way to apply is online via our website:

Rotherham College:
rotherham.ac.uk/apply-now

Once we receive your application you will get a confirmation email. Within five days you will receive login details to the online Admissions Manager where you can track the progress of your application.

Please include your personal email address and mobile number and update us of any changes so that we can keep in touch with you.



3. ATTEND

☐ You will be invited to attend an interview to ensure that the course is right for you

☐ If you have stated you have any learning needs we will also invite you in for an Additional Learning Support assessment

Note: Some courses may require you to bring a portfolio of work and/or audition as part of the interview process.

4. ENROL

☐ When you have received your exam results in August you will be sent an email to enrol online

☐ You will also be invited in to complete your enrolment process by bringing in your GCSE certificates. You will receive your college badge, start date and timetable ready for September

CONTACT US

We are here to support you:

Our Learner Recruitment Team can provide more course information, assistance when completing your application and support you with any unexpected exam results.

To change any details on your application (including your course) you don't need to complete another form, simply contact us or visit our campus.

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Pre-register at:

rotherham.ac.uk/about/events



Scan here to
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of our open events.



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