

**The
Sheffield
College**

**Full-time
Course Guide**

**Information for
School Leavers 2017/18**



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Welcome from the Principal

One of the most rewarding parts of my job is seeing our students develop self-confidence, new skills and succeed in achieving their qualifications as they move on to their next steps.

The Sheffield College transforms lives and equips young people for fulfilling employment and careers. That's exactly what I want for you. We prepare our students for their future and to look beyond their course, so they can move on to a job, set up a business or progress to the next level qualification at college or university.

We have four great campuses and some incredible new multi-million pound facilities that rival the best in the country. Join us and we'll make sure that you start at the right level course that's best for you, and give you plenty of opportunities to progress.

Study and train with us and you'll benefit from personalised support. A tutor mentor will help to keep you on track throughout your studies. You will become part of our lively and friendly student community and meet lots of new people. We understand that if you are enjoying yourself, you will work harder and succeed.

There are many opportunities to develop your CV through work projects and experience. We have links with employers for every course we offer. We have strong expertise offering nationally accredited, high quality, careers information, advice and guidance.

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We look forward to welcoming you!

Heather Smith

Heather Smith
Principal, The Sheffield College

Join us

At The Sheffield College you have an unrivalled choice of hands-on, vocational courses and A Levels. You may prefer to earn and learn with an Apprenticeship. We can offer exactly the right option for you, not only in the first instance but as you grow and develop.

Importantly, our courses will give you industry knowledge that'll make you stand out when you go for an interview. Study programmes include master classes by professionals, visits to the workplace, opportunities for work experience and mentoring, work on projects set by employers and opportunities to exhibit work and make presentations.

All of this from within a college that sits at the heart of a vibrant city with two of the UK's largest universities – who are both partners of the college. With over 50,000 students in Sheffield, student life is rich and varied. At college, you'll be able to join sports teams, societies and clubs, enjoy days out and trips away, and take advantage of our fantastic fitness, beauty and catering facilities.

**The Sheffield College –
your future guaranteed.**



The city of Sheffield

The city of Sheffield needs no introduction. South Yorkshire's capital, where the city meets the Peak District. Old factories producing silver cutlery, like they have for hundreds of years, sharing premises with a sandwich shop or creative internet start-up. It's diverse, it's creative and it has thousands of unique opportunities to offer.

The city is rated by the papers as the UK's hidden gem and best value break for a getaway (even better if you already live here!).

And the Music. Yes, Arctic Monkeys is an obvious one, but small venues and old warehouses offer thousands of other bands and artists places to cut their teeth and refine their craft. Aside from guitars, Sheffield has a burgeoning electronic underground music scene with artist Toddla T hailing from the city.

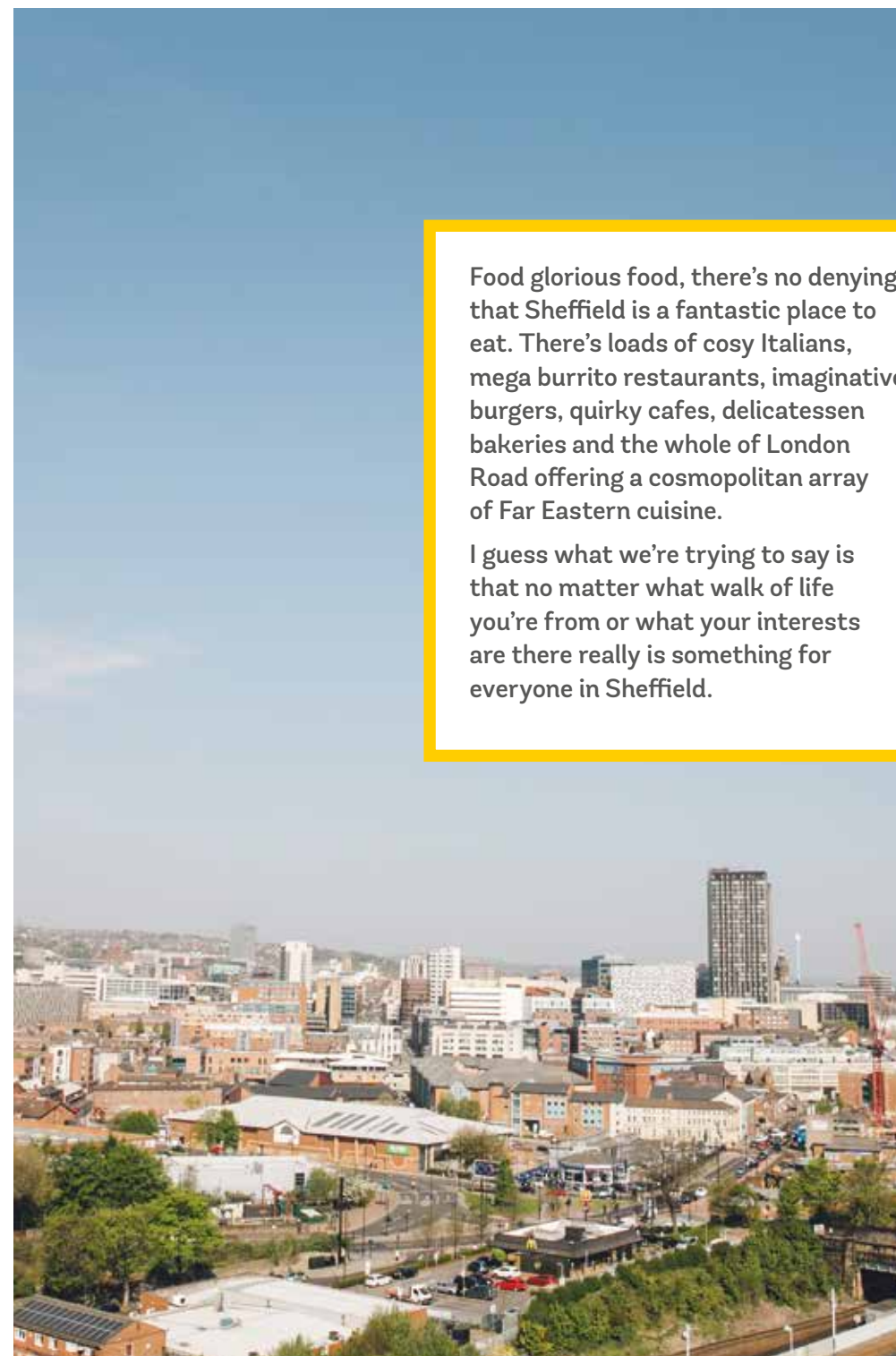
Sheffield is home to Warp Films having produced Dead Man's Shoes, Four Lions and This is England with many scenes shot across the city. There's also Sheffield Theatres which consists of the world-famous Crucible, the Lyceum, and the multi-format Studio.

We're proud of our sporting connections with two household names in football based in the city - Sheffield United and Sheffield Wednesday. We have a pedigree in athletics with, of course, Olympic medallist Jessica Ennis-Hill being magnificent in all she does, while Ponds Forge is a training base for many swimming and diving Olympians. That's not even to mention golf champion Danny Willett, Premier League champion Jamie Vardy, and number one batsman in the world, Joe Root.

Sheffield is a great place to explore the great outdoors with fantastic cycling opportunities close to the city and mountain bike trails designed by mountain bike legend Steve Peat. Sheffield is arguably the climbing capital of the UK with its close proximity to the Peak District, loads of indoor climbing centres and free public outdoor boulders.

Food glorious food, there's no denying that Sheffield is a fantastic place to eat. There's loads of cosy Italians, mega burrito restaurants, imaginative burgers, quirky cafes, delicatessen bakeries and the whole of London Road offering a cosmopolitan array of Far Eastern cuisine.

I guess what we're trying to say is that no matter what walk of life you're from or what your interests are there really is something for everyone in Sheffield.



Campuses across the city

The Sheffield College has 4 main campuses across the city: City, Hillsborough, Peaks and Olive Grove.

All of our main sites have recently had significant investment to provide state-of-the-art facilities, inspirational learning environments and great communal areas to work and relax before your next lesson. Seeing as we teach the latest construction methods, we thought we should practice what we preach. Not only do our sparkling new buildings look the part, for those who are interested, they're also extremely energy efficient with wind turbines, solar panels, water recycling and even grass roofs!

City

The Sheffield College City Campus is a great place to be, perfectly located just a 10 minute walk from the city centre for your dinner time shop and just 5 minutes from the train station.

Facilities here include The Refectory (with an outdoor terrace overlooking the city) where you can get a bite to eat, aeroplane cabin for our aviation students, catering kitchens, hair and beauty salons, science labs, dental labs, a sports hall, high tech childcare teaching facilities, construction workshops, libraries, computer suites, and a children's nursery which is available to students.

Many students study catering at City so there's always something tasty on the menu from 'Grab n Go' (our healthy takeaway), our student run restaurant 'The Silver Plate', or perhaps something from the bakery shop. You'll find our business students running regular enterprise markets over lunchtime - there's always an offer to be had!



Outside at
City Campus



Lighting rig at
Hillsborough Campus



Hillsborough

Our Hillsborough Campus in the north of the city is our creative hub with Art and Design, Photography, Fashion, and Music all based at the campus, alongside more traditional courses such as A Levels and our Sport and Public Services offer.

The facilities at Hillsborough really have to be seen to be believed (why don't you check them out for yourself at one of our Open Days, you'll find the dates on page 40). From shiny Mac suites, to sprung dance studios, performance theatres, recording studios, music suites and a TV studio, it really is a creative hub.

Hillsborough's not just for those who are confident on the stage or in front of the camera though, it has a stage production workshop for set design and prop making and a wire tension grid which provides a strong, safe and virtually invisible platform for lighting changes to be made.

Hillsborough has a gym, a 3G sports pitch and a sports hall, which is available for use by all, not just those studying Sport.

If you need childcare, no problem! The Hillsborough Campus has an Ofsted Outstanding rated nursery onsite.



Peaks

The Sheffield College Peaks Campus in the south-east of the city has a friendly and relaxed atmosphere with 'The Loft' canteen and social area, and 'The Attic' providing a vast learning space and climbing wall.

Peaks has excellent transport links with a tram stop right outside the campus with regular trams to and from the city centre. Peaks offers vocational courses.





Olive Grove

Olive Grove has recently undergone a major investment to provide students with massive new workshops, a Learning Resource Centre, new classrooms, and a canteen.

Olive Grove is the place to study all things Engineering, from Electrical and Electronic, to Mechanical and Manufacturing – with all the latest computer software and a 3D printer onsite.

The college has a dedicated motor vehicle workshop with a tyre fitting machine, wheel balancing machines and car ramps. Alternatively you can learn the tricks of body repair and spraying vehicles. Plumbing and Gas Fitting is also based at Olive Grove. So from making a pick-up VW Beetle and converting camper vans, to learning how to fit radiators and pipes, Olive Grove is the place to be.



Workshops at
Olive Grove

The Silver Plate Restaurant

Nestled within our City Campus overlooking the Sheffield skyline, The Sheffield College has a little culinary secret we would like to share with you – The Silver Plate Restaurant (formerly Sparks) completely refurbished this year.

As a Hospitality and Catering student with The Sheffield College you'll get the opportunity to learn and work in this fantastic facility. After all what could help prepare you for employment better than learning in a real restaurant with real Head Chefs?

The Silver Plate is run by our fantastic Catering and Hospitality students under the supervision of our expert staff, three of whom are Master Chefs of Great Britain. The department has recently been awarded a much coveted Hospitality Guild gold accreditation, with Patisserie and Food & Beverage Service being recognised as Centres for Excellence. In addition, The Silver Plate Restaurant has been awarded the prestigious AA College Rosette Highly Commended award – one of only four colleges nationally to hold such accolades.

Serving exquisite, varied, and locally sourced food throughout the week, the award winning Silver Plate Restaurant allows students to showcase their talent as we host tasting menus, lunch and evening meals, and our sought after themed nights to the public.

The Silver Plate Restaurant has links with a range of top industry chefs who are past students of The Sheffield College. They include former students Rupert Rowley, Head Chef of Michelin starred restaurant Fischer's at Baslow and Tom Lawson of double AA rosette restaurant Rafters. These chefs regularly hold guest lectures for our students and support them to provide our customers with the highest quality food and service.

If you're interested in doing a Hospitality and Catering course, we feel confident saying there's no better place to do it than The Silver Plate Restaurant. Make sure you pop in and check us out when you visit an Open Day.



The Silver Plate

Revive Hair and Beauty Salon

Whether you're a budding hair stylist, masseuse, beautician or make-up artist, if you do a Hair and/or Beauty course at The Sheffield College you'll be learning your trade in our real life hair and beauty salon, Revive.

The salon operates exactly like every other salon in Sheffield with receptionists, real facilities and real customers. You'll learn how to promote the salon, deal with customers and deliver the treatments – just like you'll need to do when you enter the world of work.



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Hair & Beauty
Salon

Sport

Sport lies deep in the roots of Sheffield and its people, and we take enormous pride in the city's rich sporting heritage. For starters, we're the National City of Sport and home to two massive football teams (United and Wednesday in case you forgot!). We've even got the oldest football club in the world, Sheffield FC – that's not to mention rugby (union and league), ice hockey and basketball teams. We also boast the prestigious English Institute of Sport, regularly blessed by our very own former Olympic Gold Medallist Jessica Ennis-Hill.

That's not all! Sheffield is known as the Outdoor City with the stunning Peak District on our doorstep, creating unrivalled opportunities to take yourself away from it all and into the great outdoors to go walking, climbing and cycling.

At The Sheffield College you will have the chance to be part of our very own and exclusive sports club – and continue the city's sporting legacy. Our hugely successful competitive teams in football, basketball, netball, and hockey, give you the opportunity to develop your skills with us whilst representing the college at national level in the British Colleges League. You don't have to be enrolled on a sport course to play for our college teams either. We have many students representing the country in all kinds of sports including boxing, badminton, and swimming.

But if you'd rather just get involved for a bit of fun, we can do that for you too! We have fantastic enrichment activities set up by our Sports Makers ranging from table tennis to 5-a-side football. As a student you'll have access to our gym facilities and sports halls if you'd like to book them for your own activities or 5-a-side match, for example.

Our sports facilities are mightily impressive. Our floodlit, all-weather pitch at Hillsborough is 3G and has markings for a full-sized football pitch, three 7-a-side pitches, as well as a hockey pitch. We have fully equipped gyms, sports halls and brand new dance studios for you! If you love sport, this is the place to be.

**What are you waiting for?
Get involved.**



Clubs, trips and societies

Beyond everything you'll be doing on your course, you'll also have the chance to go on a number of trips, join clubs and try new activities that can enhance your time at college.

To give you an idea, in the last 12 months we've taken our students to New York, Beijing, London, behind the scenes at East Midlands Airport, Whitby and even Florence in Italy to name but a few.

There's a club and society for almost everything, from Chess through to Bee keeping – more than enough to keep you occupied. Here's a list of a few below (remember if we don't have what you're looking for we'll help you to set up your own!):

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| — Dance Club | — Table Tennis | — Tennis |
| — Bee Keeping | — Badminton | — Arts Club |
| — LGBTQ | — Running | — Media Society |
| — Students' Union | — Netball | — Football |
| — South Yorkshire College Games | — Enterprise | — Fitness Classes |
| — Chess | — Volunteering | — Volleyball Classes |
| | — Rugby | |



The Sheffield College ▶ Enhance

The Sheffield College Students' Union

The Students' Union gives you the chance to shape The Sheffield College. It helps you to express your views and make real changes during your time here.

It acts as an independent body working in partnership with us, to provide the best quality education and experience to students.

This year the Union is led by President Amy Smith, who is working full-time throughout 2016/2017. Amy is supported on the college's Governing body by a Student Governor, and on the Union by 8 other part-time voluntary Executive Officers. They provide services alongside those already provided by the college, hosting events and stalls to raise awareness of issues which are important to you – which will make your experience at The Sheffield College even better.

Over the past few years they have done a lot! They relaunched four years ago and since then have placed equality at the forefront of their work, including:

- Introducing Liberation Officers
- Creating a LGBTQ Charter for students (the first ever in a college)
- Working to defeat the discrimination and stigma attached to mental health
- Joined NUS in campaigning against cuts to DSA

They've won a few awards along the way:

- President in 2012/13, Barbara Utmy, won the NUS Black Achievers for Equality in Education
- Ben Walters (former President) won the NUS LGBT Campaigner of the Year award 2014
- Runner-up in the NUS Further Education Union of the Year 2014

In 2015 the Union worked with University of Sheffield Students' Union and Sheffield Hallam Students' Union on numerous green projects like 'Sheffield On A Plate' and 'The Big Stew', promoting sustainability and green living. They worked to ensure our students were registered to vote in the 2015 General Election. One of their biggest achievements was to sign The Sheffield College up to the 'Time to Change' pledge, committing both the college and the Union to ending mental health discrimination.

The affiliation to the National Union of Students means our students are eligible to buy an NUS extra card, costing only £12 for 12 months, offering fantastic savings at hundreds of shops, restaurants and cinemas across the city.

The Sheffield College ▶ Students' Union

Teaching

It's important when you are at college that you're taught by people who know exactly what they're on about. Many of our excellent teaching staff have worked, or are still working, in the industry that you are trying to break into. That means they can share their knowledge and experiences including what to expect when you qualify, what problems you might experience and how to overcome them.

This experience is invaluable to your progression and their passion for the industry gives you that all important insight in to what employers are looking for from you. And, of course, they want to see their industry be the best it possibly can be in the future – that's where you come in!



Joe Hunt
Catering Tutor

"Before joining The Sheffield College team I worked for Hugh Fearnley Whittingstall's River Cottage at their HQ Park Farm in Devon. My role involved working in the world famous Cookery School using local, seasonal produce to showcase to customers what River Cottage is all about. Before River Cottage I worked for various local restaurants from busy bistros to 3 rosette fine dining. I decided to make the move into teaching because I love passing on my skills and knowledge to the next generation of chefs and seeing them develop in the training restaurant from novice chefs to chefs who can hold their own in a kitchen and run a professional service. My advice to anyone wanting to make it in this industry would be prepared to work really hard and be ready to learn. By putting the hours in and committing yourself you will gain many rewards and lifelong friends. It's hard and tiring but the enjoyment you get from it is immeasurable."

Types of courses and levels

We know that thinking about what to do next can be overwhelming and a little confusing. There's so many choices, different courses and levels to think about.

That's why we've broken it down so you can have a look at what you think is right for you. Don't worry if you're still unsure, we have an expert team of Careers Advisors who can help. Call them on **0114 260 2600** today or email: **info@sheffcol.ac.uk** for further advice.



We offer 3 different types of courses:

Apprenticeships

If the classroom isn't for you and you'd like to earn money whilst working towards a qualification and learning practical skills, one of our Apprenticeships would be perfect for you. You'll get the opportunity to get a real job, working for a real company whilst learning the skills you need. Apprenticeships are offered at Intermediate, Advanced and Higher levels - our team will help you find the level which suits you best.

Level	Typical entry requirements
Intermediate Apprenticeship – Level 2	4 GCSEs of a minimum Grade D/Grade 3 including a minimum Grade D/Grade 3 in English Language and Maths *
Advanced Apprenticeship – Level 3	4 GCSEs of a minimum Grade C/Grade 4 including a minimum Grade C/Grade 4 in English Language and Maths *

* Please note that a number of Apprenticeship frameworks require qualifications and grades other than those stated (please see The Sheffield College website for more detailed information)

Vocational courses

If you'd like to stay in learning full-time and prefer the idea of more job-related, hands-on qualifications, our vocational courses are for you. You'll learn career specific skills, whilst at the same time working towards a qualification which can lead to a job, or a place at university.

Level	Explanation	Typical entry requirements
Entry Level	If you currently have no formal qualifications then this may be your best option. Entry Level courses offer a basic understanding of a subject area, help to enhance your career prospects and improve your English and Maths	No formal qualifications but you will be invited for an interview/assessment
Level 1	Level 1 courses are practical and prepare you with skills for a specific career. You will be given a wide range of background knowledge in your chosen subject. There will be the chance to improve your English, Maths and ICT skills	4 GCSEs at Grade E/ Grade 3 including English Language at Grade E/Grade 3
Level 2	Level 2 courses prepare you with the skills you need for a specific career. You will start to specialise in the areas you find most interesting, but Level 2 courses are still broad enough to keep your options open if you're not sure what you'd like to do in the future	4 GCSEs at Grade D/ Grade 3 including English Language at Grade D/Grade 3
Level 3	Level 3 courses usually last one or two years and offer more specialised, advanced learning which gives you the skills and knowledge to progress directly into a job, or onto a Higher Apprenticeship, or university-level course	4 GCSEs at Grade C/Grade 4 or above plus a Grade C/ Grade 4 or above in English Language

A Levels

If you think university level study might be for you, then A Levels are a great way to get there. Typically you'll study 3-5 academic subjects of your choice, which will include exams and coursework.

Level	Typical entry requirements
4 A Levels	6 GCSEs at a minimum of a Grade B/Grade 6 including a minimum Grade B/Grade 6 in English Language and Maths
3 A Levels	5 GCSEs at minimum of a Grade C/Grade 5 including a minimum Grade C/Grade 5 in English Language and Maths

Please note that these are to be used as a guide only and you'll find more detailed entry requirements on our website (www.sheffcol.ac.uk/courses) for each course. For some of our courses you may need to have specific subjects and grades at GCSE level as part of our entry requirements. If you haven't got a grade C or above GCSE English and Maths, don't worry. We can support you to get this alongside your qualification during your time with us.

Making you employable

Your Future Guaranteed

An ambitious goal lies at the heart of The Sheffield College – to guarantee that all new students, aged 16 to 18, who start a full-time course over six months long will progress into either an Apprenticeship, a job, a university-level course at the college or university, or onto a route into one of these options upon successful completion of their time at the college.

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Importantly, our courses will give you industry knowledge that will make you stand out when you go for an interview. Study programmes include master classes by professionals, visits to the workplace, opportunities for work experience and mentoring, work on projects set by employers and opportunities to exhibit work and make presentations.

Just to give you an idea, this year our students have had the opportunity to work with the following companies, to name but a few...

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| — British Airways | — SWFC |
| — Leeds Bradford Airport | — Sheffield Sharks |
| — Kier | — Televideo |
| — Plusnet | — Sheffield Chamber of Commerce |
| — Sheffield Teaching Hospitals | — Tata Steel |
| — SUFC | |



English and Maths

If you are not ready to re-sit GCSE English and/or Maths, you can take stepping stone qualifications and study these alongside your main course.

It is important you continue to study English and Maths as you need these qualifications to progress onto further study, into employment or to university. You will also learn valuable skills that will help you on your main course and in everyday life.

We can help you get your English and Maths alongside your college qualification. Contact us on: info@sheffcol.ac.uk or 0114 260 2600 for more information.

Applying for jobs/university

If you want to apply for university you will need to have at least a C in both subjects to get onto a course. That's just how it is, and without them you're unlikely to get accepted. It is the same applying for jobs. Employers want to know that you're going to be able to complete basic English and Maths tasks easily and they are likely to employ those with better grades – you will also need good communication skills to complete application forms and attend interviews. Ultimately, better English and Maths skills lead to better prospects!

Keeping an eye on your finances

Whenever you're sorting your bills, paying your council tax, applying for bank accounts and loans, you're using Maths. You don't want to be underpaid or pay too much tax because you don't understand the numbers. Good Maths skills will also help you to budget better.

Stay healthy

Keep yourself healthy by understanding portion sizes and nutrients. All foods come with nutritional guidelines these days, so you need to understand them to live a healthy lifestyle. If you are ill you need to be able to book appointments at the doctors and then be able to manage your medication - how much, how often, and when you need to take them. Reading the label and understanding the numerical values. It's all really important.

Whilst at work

At work you are always communicating with your manager and colleagues. This might include emails to each other and people you haven't met before, if you can't communicate properly you may lose business or make mistakes in your job. Every job includes tasks involving Maths. For example whether it's giving someone their change, buying, selling, doing a deal - it's all Maths. Same as measuring parts, the logic behind engineering, and knowing what size equipment you need.

Everyday life

In everyday life you are always using English skills; speaking to a friend on the phone, reading a web page or book, or writing emails. Your Maths skills are used everyday; from cooking and problem solving, to understanding the best deals when shopping.

Student support

How can our Student Support Team make your time at college even easier and more enjoyable?

We want your experience to be as enjoyable as possible. We don't think you should have to worry about much other than concentrating on having a great time and doing well on your course. That's why we have a fantastic Student Support Team who are always on hand to help you with any questions, concerns, or problems that you might face whilst at college.

The Student Support Team will help you with just about anything from supporting you with issues of a personal nature, your travel to and from college, and even running through your course fees and financial support available to you. Should you need childcare, no problem, we can help support you to find a nursery – including the ones we have onsite.

If you feel you need help with your studies including in-class support, support with exams or learning disability, we can help.

If you've got any problems whilst at the college, no matter how small, come and have a chat with our Student Support Team and we'll do everything we possibly can to make your life that little bit easier!



Money

We know how important money is.

That's why at The Sheffield College we will always do our best to support you through your studies, to make them as stress free as possible. We have a specialist support team who can give you all the advice you need on all things financial, including what might be available to you, so that you don't go short and you can concentrate all your efforts into your studies.

You might be eligible for a bit of help too. Have a look at the options on the next page and see if any could work for you.



Free meals

If you meet the eligibility criteria we'll be able to support you with free meals. You'll get an amount of money that you can use within the college shops and diners per day. This will be added to your student ID card which you will just swipe to purchase items.

Bursaries

You may be eligible for a bursary of up to £1200 if you study with The Sheffield College and:

- Are currently in care
- Have been in care or are classed as a 'Care Leaver'
- Are in receipt of income support
- Are in receipt of ESA and DLA

Travel passes

Students of The Sheffield College are eligible for a 16-18 Student Pass which entitles pass holders to cheaper travel on buses and trams in South Yorkshire. Pass holders are entitled to half fare on Northern Rail train services in South Yorkshire.

You can apply for a Student Pass at www.travelsouthyorkshire.com/studentpasses

19+ Advanced Learner Loans

If you are aged 19 and over, there could be a loan available to help fund your study. You can find full details here www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan

Learner Support Fund

If you are under 19 on 31st August 2016, and enrolled on a Sheffield College course, you may receive support towards the cost of:

- Travel
- Books and materials
- Uniform and equipment
- Essential course trips
- DBS checks needed for your course (previously known as CRB)
- If applying to university, UCAS registration fee and travel to interviews
- NUS extra

Childcare

If childcare is affecting your opportunity for further study, you may be able to get extra help with it via the Care to Learn Scheme. Go to www.gov.uk/care-to-learn for more information.

Transport

It's not hard to get to us.

No matter which of our campuses you're trying to get to, all are within walking distances of tram stops and our City Campus is right by the bus and train station too! Trams come every 5-10 minutes or so, and buses are frequent to all of our campuses if you don't fancy the walk.

To plan your route to us, simply:

- Go to **www.travelsouthyorkshire.com** and click on the 'Journey Planner'
- Enter your postcode and the college campus you're going to
- Select 'Arrive By' and enter the time you are due to start college
- Choose your route of travel making sure you give yourself enough time to get here
- To get yourself home simply swap the postcodes in the journey planner and plan your route back!



How to apply

Step 1 Apply online

If you're currently in Year 11 and from the Sheffield area you'll apply online through www.ucasprogress.com with help from your school. If you are applying outside of Sheffield you can apply online on our course page by clicking the 'Apply Now' button. If you're unsure which course is right for you, please visit an Open Day to get an idea of what's on offer, or contact our Careers Team on 0114 260 2600 who will be able to help you.

Step 2 We'll let you know we've received your application

Check online at www.ucasprogress.com for our acknowledgement or, if you have applied through the website, keep an eye on your emails.

Step 3 Application processing

Our expert team will process your application. Please make sure you pop your telephone number on your application as we may need to contact you to discuss further.

Step 4 Your first choice

If you meet the entry requirements we'll make you an offer. If you don't think you'll get the grades do not worry. We can help you explore alternative courses for you.



Step 5 Offer made

We'll make you a conditional offer. If an interview or audition is required we'll contact you.

Step 6 Keeping in touch

If anything changes and you don't want to do the course you originally applied for, don't worry. Just get in touch and we'll help you move forward or apply for something else.

Step 7 A taste of The Sheffield College

You'll be invited to attend a transition event to meet your tutors and some of the people who will be on your course.

Step 8 Enrol

You'll be invited to attend an enrolment session (we'll contact you over the summer with the exact date and time) towards the end of August. You'll need to bring things like your exam certificates and ID with you. If you don't get the grades for your original course don't panic. Come to enrolment and we can arrange an alternative course for you.

Open Days

Thursday 13th October 2016

4pm-7:30pm

Monday 21st November 2016

4pm-7:30pm

Tuesday 24th January 2017

4pm-7:30pm

Wednesday 8th March 2017

4pm-7:30pm

Thursday 11th May 2017

4pm-7:30pm

Please note all of our campuses (City, Hillsborough, Peaks and Olive Grove) will be open on these dates. To find out which subject areas are based at which campus on the night have a look at the course sections of this guide to see where your course is based.

We want you to see for yourself!

We hold Open Days throughout the year, so you don't just have to take our word for it – come and see for yourself!

You'll have the opportunity to:

Meet the people who will be teaching you and have a chat about what the course involves

- Tour our fantastic facilities and see where you'll be learning
- Find out more about how to travel to our campuses, including our excellent bus, tram and rail links
- Speak to our job experts about careers you're interested in and what you need to do to get there
- Have a look at some examples of the work you'll be doing on your course
- See where you'll be spending your spare time on campus including our Lavazza coffee shops, refectories, beauty salons and restaurant
- Get the chance to look at our sports team and enrichment offer, and what clubs and societies we have

Head to www.sheffcol.ac.uk/open-days to book your place today or just turn up on the night.

**We look forward
to meeting you.**

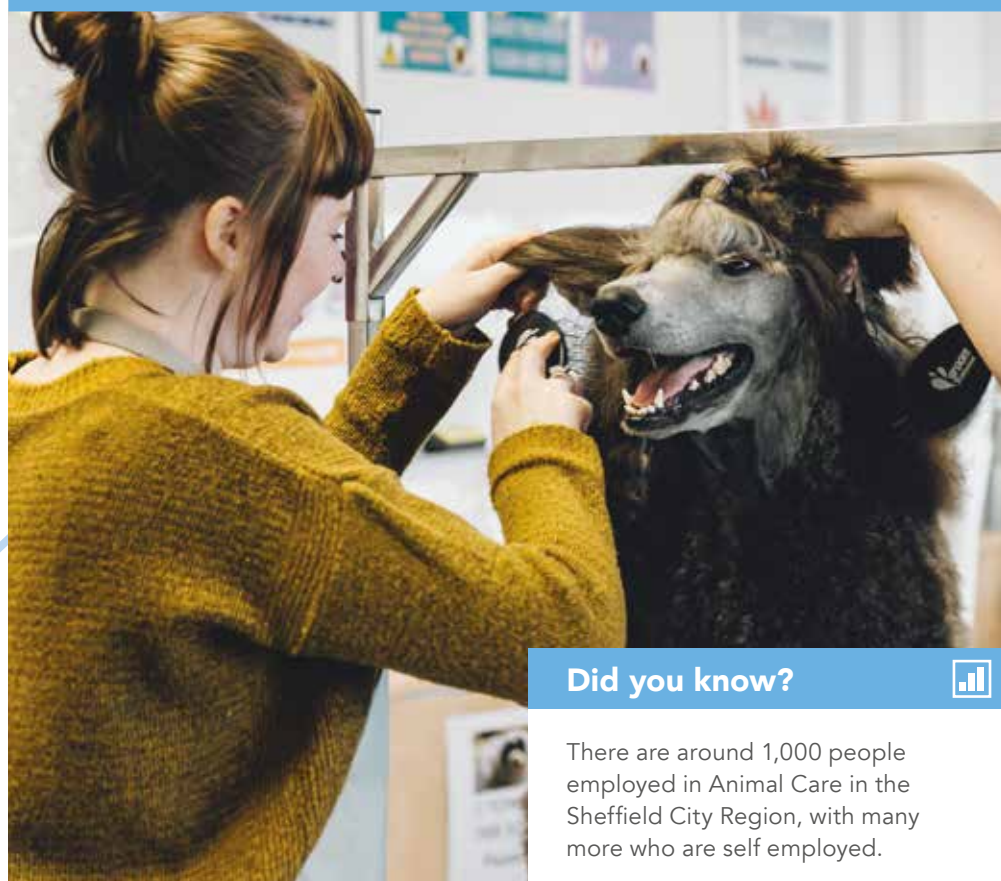


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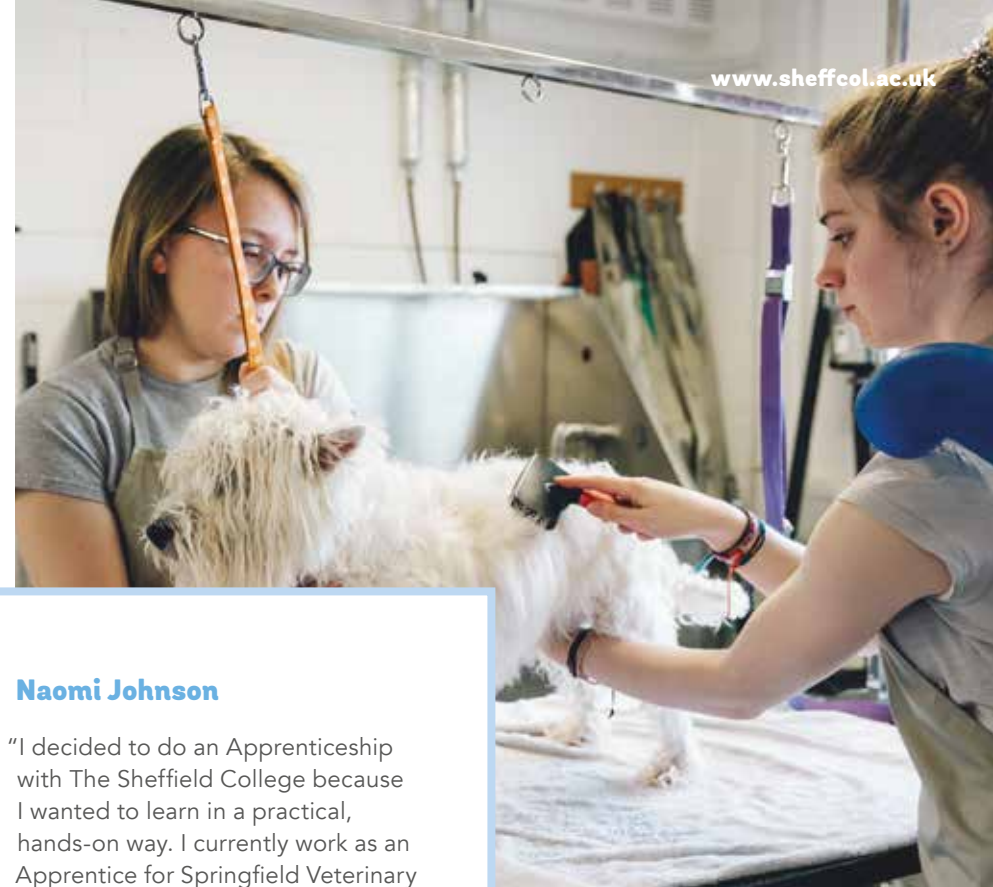
Are you comfortable around animals and more importantly, do you enjoy being around them? Could you imagine yourself supporting them and their owners through upsetting and stressful situations? If you're a real animal lover and you have an interest in learning about domestic, exotic and farm animals through a mixture of classroom and practical work, then one of our Animal Care courses is for you.



Did you know?



There are around 1,000 people employed in Animal Care in the Sheffield City Region, with many more who are self employed.



Naomi Johnson

"I decided to do an Apprenticeship with The Sheffield College because I wanted to learn in a practical, hands-on way. I currently work as an Apprentice for Springfield Veterinary Group at Crystal Peaks, studying at The Sheffield College one day a week and getting paid as I work towards my qualification. I love it, no two days are the same and it's great working with animals. Each one is different and an individual patient. I'm picking things up so quickly and gaining experience in a real workplace."



We have strong links with local farms, zoos and other animal establishments such as the RSPCA so you'll have plenty of opportunities to visit and work directly with a variety of animals. There'll be the option to do short work placements with employers so you can really get stuck in and get all the experience you'll need to work in the industry.

An average day could include anything from dog grooming and handling birds of prey, to dealing with exotic snakes. We promise a day in our Animal Care area is never boring!

Our Animal Care facilities really make us stand out in the region as one of the top providers. We've got dog grooming salons, veterinary suites, kennels and our links with employers mean you get to learn and work in real facilities giving you a competitive edge in what's already a competitive industry.

The majority of our students go onto careers working at zoos, kennels, or onto veterinary courses at university. Whatever your interest in animals, we've got the course for you.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Animal Science and Horse Care Level 1			x	
Animal Care/Veterinary Level 2			x	
Agriculture Level 2			x	
Veterinary Care Assistants Level 2			x	
Animal Care Level 3			x	
Agriculture Level 3			x	
Apprenticeships				
Dog Grooming Level 2			x	
Horse Care Level 2			x	
Veterinary Nursing Level 3			x	

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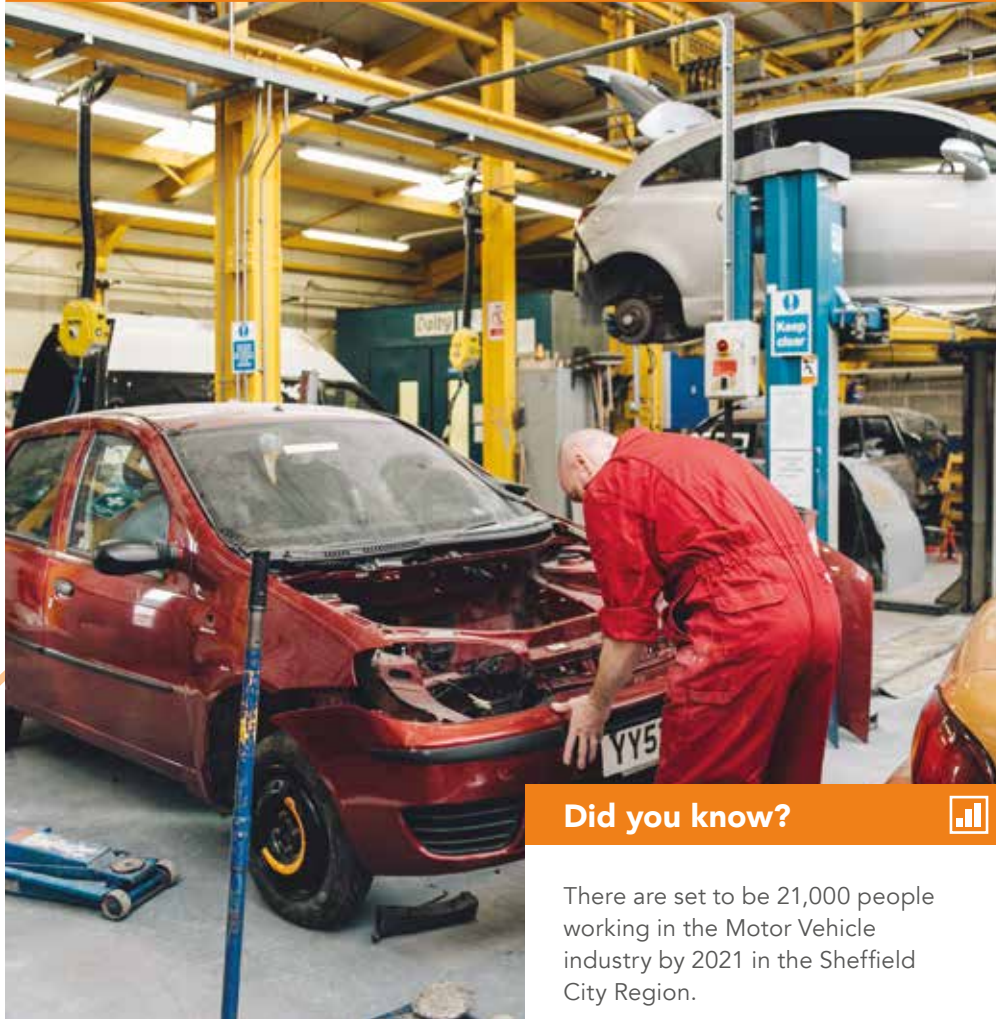
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Automotive and Motor Vehicle

Are you a bit of a petrol head? Love your cars, your engines and the bodywork that comes with it? Sounds like our Automotive and Motor Vehicle courses could be right up your street.



Did you know?



There are set to be 21,000 people working in the Motor Vehicle industry by 2021 in the Sheffield City Region.



Aran Haigh

"I chose to do an Apprenticeship with The Sheffield College because I wanted to learn on the job and get a wage at the same time. On an Apprenticeship you never stop learning and you're learning from people who do the job you want. I love how different it is to being at school. I feel really motivated because I have more responsibilities and I'm treated like an adult. I'm very proud to be earning a wage and gaining qualifications at the same time."



There's a number of different courses available combining theory in our classrooms and practical work in our industry standard workshops and garages, or on the job training if you fancy one of our Motor Vehicle Apprenticeships.

You'll get your hands on real tools and equipment that you'll use out in industry when you start full-time work, and our great links with local employers will give you a kick-start into the career you want. Throw in the fact that all our tutors have previous experience working in vehicle engineering and you can see why we have a reputation as one of the best around!

What's more, we've recently invested over £8 million in our Olive Grove Campus which includes state-of-the-art automotive facilities to ensure our students are getting the very best experience and are ready to start employment when they leave us.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 1				x
Motor Vehicle Body and Paint Level 1				x
Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Level 2				x
Motor Vehicle Body and Paint Level 2				x
Motor Vehicle Body and Paint Level 3				x
Motor Vehicle Level 3				x
Apprenticeships				
Motor Vehicle (Body/Paint/Light/Heavy) Level 2				x
Motor Vehicle (Body/Paint/Light/Heavy) Level 3				x

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Aviation, Tourism and Events

Five reasons you should consider a career in Aviation, Tourism and Events

1. Life experience - there's no denying that this is the industry to be in if you want to see the world, meet new people and explore new venues. Whether you're exploring the world as a member of cabin crew, planning events in exciting locations, running a top end hotel or working in an airport, you'll get to meet people from different walks of life and visit some of the best places in the world.
2. Long-term opportunities - some of the largest companies in the world operate in this sector (think Virgin, Emirates and Festival Republic) and if you're willing to work hard and put the skills you learn to use, you could have a job for life.
3. Every day is different – as an Event Planner you could be doing anything from visiting venues, to dealing with caterers or designers for invites. As a member of cabin crew you could be travelling to, and exploring, different places in the world every week. If there's one thing we can guarantee in this industry – it's that it will never boring!
4. Learn skills that you'll have for life – in the Aviation, Tourism and Events industry you'll gain skills that employers from every industry will value. From dealing with customers and delivering outstanding customer service, to time management and organisation. Your experience will be invaluable!
5. High demand for jobs - this is an industry that is growing and is forecast to keep on growing. If you do a course in this area, you know it's likely you'll find work in the industry when you graduate.

Did you know?



By 2021, more than 45,000 people will be working in the Tourism and Aviation sector in the Sheffield City Region.



Daniela Badini Confalonieri

"I started at The Sheffield College by studying for my Level 3 BTEC in Travel and Tourism before deciding to progress onto the Foundation Degree in Events and Tourism Management. I chose the college because the course content looked a lot more interesting than other options I'd seen and because I knew I would receive a lot more tutor support and help here. This couldn't have been more true. My tutors were the most amazing, passionate and helpful teachers I've ever had. During my time at the college I got the opportunity to do two work placements which has enhanced my CV and helped me to get my job today."



Now you've decided to do a course in this area, let us tell you why you should choose to do it at The Sheffield College...

Facilities – we have the best facilities in the area. Whether it's our lifesize plane simulator or our airport security desk, you'll get a taste of what doing the job is actually like. Nothing will prepare you for your future career better.

Industry links – we work with some of the biggest names in the business such as Leeds Bradford Airport and British Airways.

Trips and experiences – our staff work hard to provide you with the best experience possible. Whether it's giving you the opportunity to compete locally and nationally, going on trips to East Midlands Airport or attending special seminars and lectures held by companies in the industry, you'll know you'll be getting the best experience possible.

Teaching staff – our tutors are experts. They've worked out in the industry and know what skills employers are looking for in young people, giving you that cutting edge you need when you start looking for jobs.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Travel and Tourism Level 1			x	
Travel and Tourism Level 2			x	
Air Cabin Crew Level 2			x	
Aviation Operations Level 3			x	
Travel and Tourism Level 3			x	
Hospitality and Event Management Level 3			x	

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Business

Fancy yourself as the next Richard Branson, Mark Zuckerberg, or even Steve Jobs? Experience the rush of running your own business. Seeing the fruits of your labour blossom from a tiny idea to a well-earned profit. Who knows, in later life you might want to be working as Head of Marketing for Google, as a Solicitor at a top city firm or a Finance Director at a university.

At The Sheffield College we have a range of Business courses to help you get to where you want to be in the sector.

We know there's more to Business than the set up. We cover all aspects of Business with courses in Business Admin, Financial Management, Legal Services, Retail and Marketing.

As a college we work with over 3,000 businesses offering you fantastic work experience opportunities. This also means we can tailor our courses to match what employers are looking for, meaning you'll be ready for the workplace when you leave us.

We're all about making sure our students are ready for the workplace so we focus on giving you as much hands on experience of the business world as possible. You'll get the opportunity to organise your own money making events and come up with enterprising ideas to put your skills to the test. This year, our Business students organised and set up their own Christmas Market, which was open to the public. This is the kind of experience today's employers want to see on your CV and we'll help you put it there.

Did you know?



There will be nearly 32,000 Business and Enterprise jobs in the Sheffield City Region in the next 5 years.



Nathan Sansby

"I studied for my Level 3 Business qualification at The Sheffield College. I decided to go to The Sheffield College because it offered the perfect practical business course choice for me. I learnt how to communicate effectively with people much older than myself, which is crucial for a young entrepreneur. I also learnt how to more accurately turn concepts and ideas into solid business models, that fit a market need. I honestly can't say enough positive things about my tutors, they were an amazing support network during my course. I'm now a shareholder and the Sales Director of FM Outsource and Gnatta, a company which employs over 200 people."



Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Business Level 1	x		x	
Business Level 2	x	x	x	
Business Administration Level 2			x	
Business Administration Level 3			x	
Business Level 3	x	x	x	
Business and Enterprise Level 3			x	
Business and Accounting Level 3			x	
Business and Law Level 3			x	
Business and Marketing Level 3			x	

Apprenticeships	H	P	C	O
Accounting Level 2			x	
Business Administration Level 2			x	
Customer Service Level 2			x	
Logistics Operations Level 2			x	
Sales Level 2			x	
Warehousing and Storage Level 2			x	
Accounting Level 3			x	
Business Administration Level 3			x	
Legal Services Level 3			x	
Marketing Level 3			x	
Procurement Level 3			x	

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Catering and Hospitality

Would you like to learn how to cook in the best rated student kitchen in the region? Or how about getting experience in front of house roles in a People 1st Gold rated restaurant? Maybe even learning from some of the very best in the industry, including Chefs and Restaurant Managers who have had stints at some of the finest eateries in the country, such as Hugh Fearnley Whittingstall's River Cottage, and at some of Sheffield's finest restaurants. At The Sheffield College, we will provide you with all of that. It's that easy.



Did you know?



A course in this area could lead to a job as a Chef, Hotel and Accommodation Manager, Bar Manager, Bar Staff, Butcher, Baker, Front of House or a Waiter/Waitress.



Tom Lawson

Owner and Head Chef at Rafters Restaurant

"I started in the industry young, by coming to The Sheffield College every Saturday when I was 13. I went on to do my Level 1 in Catering, progressing to an Apprenticeship and having a year out in industry before returning to The Sheffield College to complete my Level 3 qualification. Four years later, I bought Rafters Restaurant. I would say one of the biggest influences in my career so far is the passion and inspiration of the tutors at the college. This is a great industry to work in and one that currently has a high demand for new skills and new people, meaning there are lots of job opportunities."



We have our own onsite restaurant, The Silver Plate, where you'll learn in real surroundings with some of the best equipment and facilities around. We host regular theme nights, tasting menus, bistro nights (one of which was recently in conjunction with Sheffield's top restaurant Rafter's) and lunches where you'll get the opportunity to cook for and serve real customers - what better way to get experience?

The Hospitality industry consists of exciting sectors, including: hotels, restaurants, cruise ships, contract catering, coffee shops and pubs. It involves lots of different job roles, meaning you'll have every opportunity to find what interests you most and get started on the career you want. You could find yourself working as a Chef, Waitress, Events Co-ordinator or even as a Manager. We work with employers of all sizes across Sheffield who help us to shape our curriculum so when you leave us, you're safe in the knowledge you've got the skills and experience today's employers are looking for.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Catering and Hospitality Level 1			x	
Bakery Level 1			x	
Catering and Hospitality Level 2			x	
Bakery Level 2			x	
Professional Bakery Level 3			x	
Professional Cookery Level 3			x	
Hospitality and Event Management Level 3			x	
Apprenticeships				
Bakery Level 2			x	
Butchery Level 2			x	
Food and Beverage Service Level 2			x	
Front of House Level 2			x	
Hospitality Level 2			x	
Professional Cookery Level 2			x	
Bakery Level 3			x	
Hospitality Level 3			x	
Professional Cookery Level 3			x	

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Childcare and Education

Are you full of energy? Can you see yourself running round after the little rascals, building towers, painting, playing with train sets and getting messy? It's all in a day's work in the childcare industry. Or maybe you fancy teaching older children or young adults? Working with babies and young people is great fun and challenging, but it can also be extremely rewarding as you play an important part in a child or young person's development.



Did you know?



There are set to be 289 new childcare jobs in the Sheffield City Region in the next 5 years – not to mention the ones that already exist.



Tara Birch

"While I was at school I managed to secure some work experience at a nursery and knew it was what I wanted to do. I applied to do an Apprenticeship with The Sheffield College and secured employment at a nursery close to where I live. The real life work experience I get from my Apprenticeship is invaluable. I work with children from 7 months up to when they start school. It is so rewarding seeing the children grow, learn and gain in confidence.

As part of my Apprenticeship I come into college one day a week which is great as the tutors are really helpful and are able to answer any questions I have relating to work.

We also get the chance to share our experiences and good practices with fellow students at other nurseries. We often discuss how we may have coped with a situation differently which is really helpful."



Being employed in a nursery is a hugely important role as parents trust you with the most important thing in their lives, which can often be challenging in itself. We'll teach you how to reassure parents and to be an effective communicator. Developing skills in Health and Safety and First Aid, you'll acquire many skills you can take on into other roles.

Or maybe you fancy teaching? Could you be that Teacher a child or adult remembers for the rest of their life? The person who never gave up on them? Teaching really does offer the opportunity to change a person's life.

Work experience is a key part of our courses and you'll spend time in the workplace practising the skills you have learnt at college. We've got extensive relationships with nurseries throughout Sheffield, including our own Ofsted rated 'Good' and 'Outstanding' nurseries at City and Hillsborough Campuses, as well as local schools and other childcare facilities.

If working with children or young people and their families in day care, nursery, out of school care and schools appeals to you, take a look through our courses today.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Childcare Level 1			x	
Childcare Level 2			x	
Teaching Assistants Level 2 (Evening)			x	
Childcare Level 3			x	
Teaching Assistants Level 3 (Evening)			x	
Apprenticeships				
Teaching Assistants Level 2			x	
Children and Young People's Workforce Level 2			x	
Teaching Assistants Level 3			x	
Children and Young People's Workforce Level 3			x	

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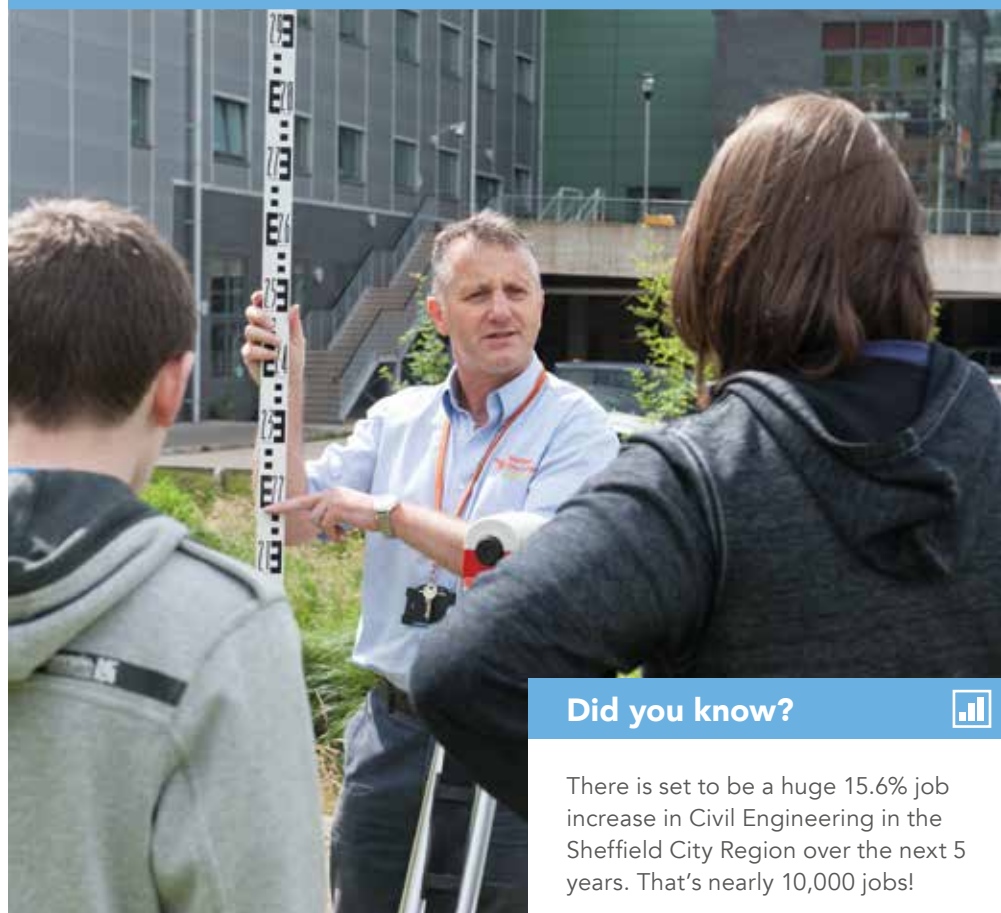
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Civil Engineering

Civil Engineering skills are vital to the design, construction and maintenance of all building projects. There's much more to Civil Engineering than looking through a theodolite (surveying instrument), though. Civil Engineering is a varied profession involving the design and construction of the world's buildings, roads, tunnels, bridges, dams, transport infrastructure and power stations to name but a few!



Did you know?



There is set to be a huge 15.6% job increase in Civil Engineering in the Sheffield City Region over the next 5 years. That's nearly 10,000 jobs!



Curtis Farley

"I had the option to go to either Doncaster College (Doncaster is my home town) or The Sheffield College. I chose Sheffield due to the fantastic facilities on offer and the experience the tutors had. The option to do the BTEC Extended Diploma in Civil Engineering was the main reason I chose The Sheffield College as other local colleges did not offer this, they only offered Construction and the Built Environment or Civil Engineering at a lower level. All the tutors were friendly and welcoming, as well as being willing to help you at any time. If I ever had any issues I was never worried because they were there to support me. I am currently going into the final year of the MEng (Hons) in Civil Engineering Degree. The skills I learnt at the college really prepared me for my university course."



Any aspect of construction involves the practise of Civil Engineering, meaning you could be working on house builds, construction of a new motorway, landmark building or a new train station.

Our Civil Engineering courses have a strong emphasis on sustainable construction and Computer Aided Design (CAD). From using Digital Levels, Total Stations and Electric Distance Machines we have all the gear to give you a solid understanding of the subject, whilst learning the latest construction methods.

Our tutors have strong links with employers in the whole region, with many organisations sending students to study part-time courses at The Sheffield College. These links also allow you to gain vital experience through site visits and work experience, with many of our students progressing into university level study. Former students have even gone onto work on Crossrail, the London Underground’s biggest project since the 1800s!

There are currently a number of major construction projects taking place in Sheffield from the Sevenstone Retail Quarter, a Chinatown development, and the potential HS2 development. The city is an exciting place to study Civil Engineering and make your mark on the Sheffield landscape.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Construction and Built Environment (Civil Engineering) Level 3			x	
Construction and Built Environment (Construction) Level 3			x	

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Construction and Building Services

Nothing quite beats the satisfaction of looking at a job well done and saying “I did that.” If you enjoy hands on, physical work and getting stuck in, then one of our courses could be just what you’re after. We offer courses in every area of Construction, so there really is something for everyone.

Our Construction courses are based at our City Campus, with dedicated facilities and experienced tutors who have worked in the industry. There’s a dedicated brickwork workshop where you can hone your trowel skills or, if working with wood is more your thing, we have 3 joinery workshops with all the latest equipment to get you started.

Want to bring a job together and apply those finishing touches? Then a Decorating course would be ideal for you. We have a dedicated decorating centre with individual stations for you to practice wallpapering, painting, cutting in and all those essential decorating skills.

Another area which gives you the opportunity to flex your creative skills is sign making. This involves anything from making traditional hand painted signs, after their comeback with the growth of independent shops and cafés, to using CAD and 3D printers to develop eye catching digital signs.

As well as practical skills you’ll learn about the theory and business side in the classroom, enabling you to price up jobs, communicate with customers and manage people.

The construction industry is forecast to grow in the coming years as the government comes under increasing pressure to build more houses, resulting in more jobs in the future for skilled workers (you!). From building houses, roads, bridges and schools, the construction industry is exciting and in demand globally.



Aaron Nicholson

“I have studied for my Level 1, 2 and 3 Brickwork qualifications at The Sheffield College. I came to The Sheffield College because I wanted to qualify and get a job so I could support myself and have a great lifestyle. It also helped that the facilities were great. The tutors really supported me and encouraged me to do well. They went above and beyond for me and have even helped me to get my job with Scorpio Builders. One day I’d love to have my own business and give people the opportunities and support that I’ve received.”



Did you know?



In this industry you could be employed as a Plumber, Joiner, Painter and Decorator, Architect, Bricklayer, Surveyor and much more.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Brickwork Level 1			x	
Carpentry Level 1			x	
Electrical Installation Level 1				x
Painting and Decorating Level 1			x	
Plumbing Level 1				x
Signwork Level 1			x	
Brickwork Level 2			x	
Carpentry and Joinery Level 2			x	
Electrical Installation Level 2				x
Painting and Decorating Level 2			x	
Plumbing Level 2				x
Signwork Level 2			x	
Brickwork Level 3			x	
Carpentry and Joinery Level 3			x	
Electrical Installation Level 3				x
Painting and Decorating Level 3			x	
Plumbing Level 3				x
Signwork Level 3			x	

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Construction Building (Maintenance Operatives) Level 2			x	
Plumbing and Heating Level 2			x	
Sign Making Level 2			x	
Plumbing Level 3			x	
Sign Making Level 3			x	

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Design and Visual Arts

So, you're creative and have an eye for detail. Maybe you've got your heart set on becoming a Fashion Designer, Games Developer, Web Designer, App Designer or Graphic Designer? Perhaps you prefer the more traditional, visual arts side such as jewellery design, fine art or print making? Whatever career you've got your eye on, we've got the courses, facilities, employer links and tutors to get you there.



Did you know?



If you want a career in art or graphic design, you will have to have the following skills: creativity and imagination, IT skills and knowledge of printing techniques and photography.



Tom Smedley

Creative Developer at Peter and Paul Design Agency

"At school I was always interested in Design and Maths and knew I wanted to do something that combined the two. I chose The Sheffield College because the Graphic Design course looked like it was exactly what I was looking for. The support I received from my tutors was excellent and I went on to study for my Foundation Degree in Graphic Design at the college too. The tutors organise an end of year show/exhibition for all students where local employers can come to look at your work and I was fortunate to be headhunted by a number of local design agencies as a result of the show. I now work as a Creative Developer at Peter and Paul, building and designing websites."



The city of Sheffield has one of the fastest growing creative and digital sectors in the country. From small art galleries and design shows, to graphic design agencies producing work from converted industrial buildings. The scene is diverse and the opportunities plentiful.

Based at our Hillsborough Campus, we’ve invested in state-of-the-art design suites kitted out with the latest Apple Mac’s and design software. We’re proud to say we’ve got a bustling creative community with break out areas where students from other creative courses such as Music Technology and Performing Arts discuss projects over a latté.

We like to pride ourselves on our fantastic links with local employers. Our students get the opportunity to work on real and live design projects to prepare them for the world of work - something today’s employers like to see on your CV. Our tutors can support you to find a work placement in your chosen career so you can get a taste of what the job is like. You’ll get to showcase your work in our end of year show, visited by design agencies and other local employers - the perfect opportunity to land yourself that job or university place.

And finally (what we hope is the icing on the cake) we’re keen that you experience as many creative influences as possible, so we’re always organising trips here and there for our students. This year we even took our students to New York!

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Art and Design Level 1	x			
Games Design, Graphics and Social Media Level 1	x	x		
Art and Design Level 2	x			
Fashion, Business and Retail Level 2	x			
Games Design and Interactive Media Level 2	x	x		
Art and Design Level 3	x			
Fashion, Business and Retail Level 3	x			
Game Art and Design Level 3	x	x		
Games Production and VFX Level 3	x			
Graphic Design Level 3	x			
18+ Foundation Diploma in Art and Design	x			
18+ Foundation Diploma in Game Art and Design	x			
Apprenticeships				
Fashion and Textiles (Apparel) Level 2	x			
Fashion and Textiles (Apparel/Tailoring) Level 3	x			

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Engineering

Do you enjoy finding out why and how things work? Constantly fixing the old and re-making the new? Taking machines, sockets, anything you could lay your hands on to pieces, and rebuilding them again? If so, one of our Engineering courses could be the perfect opportunity for you to put your talents to work.



Did you know?



There are nearly 100,000 Engineers employed in The Sheffield City Region, with many more being self-employed.



Ayesha Ahmed

"I studied for the BTEC Extended Diploma at Level 3 in Mechanical Engineering at The Sheffield College. I chose the course because the facilities looked amazing and because the qualification is equivalent to three A Levels (but taught me much more practical, work-related skills) and will enable me to go onto university. I've applied to do a Mechanical Engineering Degree at Sheffield Hallam University and I think the skills I've learnt during my time at the college will put me ahead of my peers."



Whether you fancy working in production or maintenance, electrical or welding, engineering is evolving - and fast. Sheffield's rich industrial heart and fantastic engineering background makes it the perfect place to get stuck in with the engineering evolution. So if it's Electrical and Electronic, Manufacturing, or straight up Engineering that you fancy, we've got the courses covered for you.

Our Engineering courses are housed at our Olive Grove Campus, which we've recently invested nearly £8million in to provide you with workshops and teaching facilities that rival the biggest companies, and all the latest equipment that you'd find in workshops around the world. By the time you leave us you'll be more than ready for the workplace.

That's not all! As a college we pride ourselves on our links with real employers including Tata Steel, Tuvnord in Germany and Gripple, so that you're learning the exact skills that your future bosses will be looking for. There's also plenty of opportunities for you to go on work placements and learn from these specialists.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Engineering Level 1				x
Electrical and Electronic Engineering Level 2				x
Engineering Level 2				x
Electrical and Electronic Engineering Level 3				x
Engineering Level 3				x
Apprenticeships				
Engineering Level 2				x
Fabrication and Welding Level 2				x
Engineering (Engineering/Maintenance/Fabrication and Welding/Technical) Level 3				x

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Foundation Learning and Employability

Our Foundation Learning and Employability courses are for students who have a variety of support needs, learning difficulties, or disabilities. The aim of these courses is to give students the confidence and skills needed for work and life by developing their independence and social skills.

We offer two different pathways:

- **Personal Progress Pathway** - courses in the Personal Progress Pathway include Skills for Personal Progress, Independent Living Skills, and Supported Work Skills. Students can grow in confidence and improve essential life skills and work skills. They'll have a bespoke individual learning plan which is designed around their needs (this includes ICT, Maths and English skills) and will take part in practical learning experiences for life and work
- **Vocational Pathway** - this pathway aims to help the student explore the progression or career aspirations they have, and develop skills and qualifications to achieve these. The course includes: Maths, English, ICT and Personal Development skills, as well as an options day which gives students the opportunity to take part in specific subjects such as Horticulture, Sport, Art, Animal Care, Multimedia, Lego Technologies, Construction and Catering



No matter what your goal is, be it work-related qualifications, supported employment or independent living, we personalise your course to suit you. Students will be taught in smaller group sizes and have access to additional support based on individual needs. All study programmes are taught by experienced and innovative staff who'll give the best possible learning in a friendly and supportive environment.

The programmes of study are further enhanced throughout the year with opportunities for learners to participate in additional sporting events, overnight and week-long residential stays, educational visits, lunch-time activities and the end-of-year celebration events.

Our number one priority is to make sure our students learn in a safe environment. Our friendly staff are experts in providing support for young people with a wide range of specific needs. They provide students with the best possible learning environment so that they can achieve their goals.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Foundation Learning - Vocational Pathways Entry Level	x	x	x	
Independent Living Skills Entry Level	x		x	
Personal Progress Entry Level	x		x	
Supported Work Skills Entry Level	x		x	
Retail Skills Level 1	x			
Supported Internship Level 1			x	
Independent Work Skills Level 1	x		x	
Retail Skills Level 2	x			

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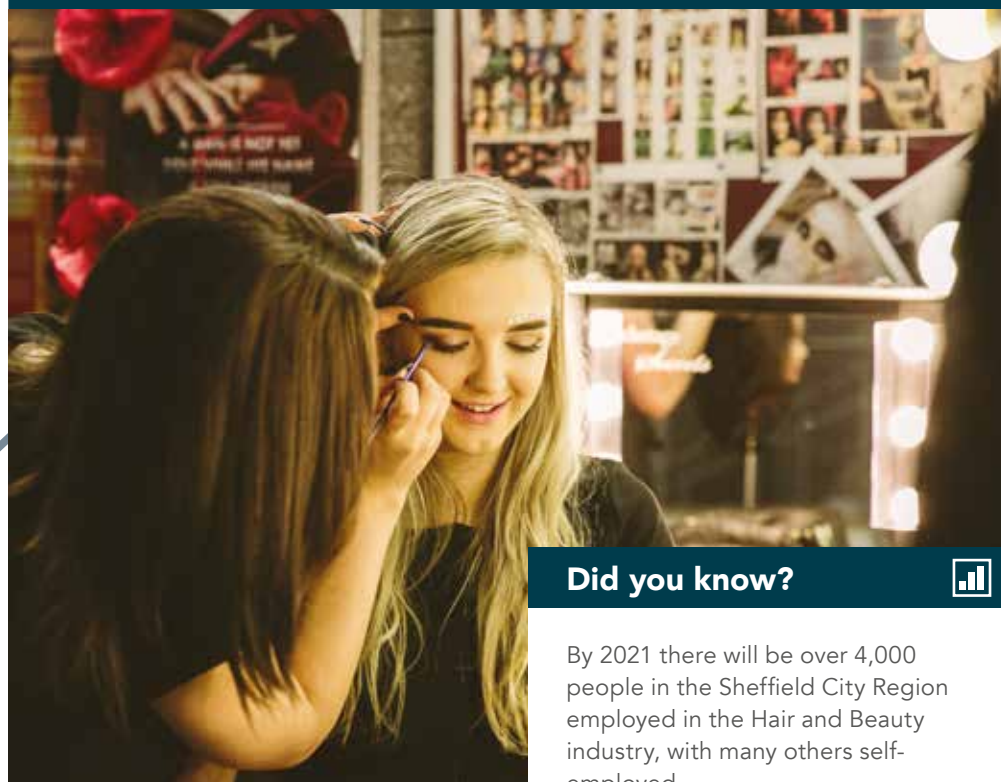
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Hair and Beauty

Are you interested in a career that involves working with people to make them look and feel their best? Do you love experimenting with new hair styles, or contouring and strobing until your heart's content? Are you forever scrolling through Instagram checking out the latest celeb hair and make-up? Or does the idea of working in a luxurious beauty spa sound right up your street? How about working in media make-up and special effects? If any of this sounds just like you, one of our Hair and Beauty courses is the perfect match.



Did you know?



By 2021 there will be over 4,000 people in the Sheffield City Region employed in the Hair and Beauty industry, with many others self-employed.



Emily Grant

"I've done both my Level 2 and 3 courses in Hair and Beauty at The Sheffield College and I hope to continue onto the Level 4 because I've enjoyed them so much. When I started the Level 2 course at college I really didn't know how to deal with clients but as the course progressed, my confidence grew and now I'm comfortable with them and happy to chat and discuss their needs. I think the real salon that you get to work in as a student at the college really helps, the facilities are fantastic and it feels like I'm at work already. My tutor has helped me to realise my dream of working on a cruise ship when I finish college and I can't wait!"



Our Hair and Beauty department has built a reputation amongst employers as the best in the city. We'll show you everything you need to make it in the industry by working on real, paying clients in a real life salon environment.

This is where our Revive salon comes in. Based at our City Campus you'll find Revive, a real working salon, with real paying customers. You'll learn everything from working on reception to ordering products you need; creating price lists, special events and treating customers. We'll teach you what you need to know to work in a salon, hairdressers, spa, on set, or to set up your own business.

During your time with us, we'll help you to shine and get spotted by employers. Our students take part in various competitions throughout the year where you'll get to showcase what you've learnt and test yourself against national competition.

We know that in today's environment not only will you need Hair and Beauty skills you'll also need to learn how to run a business, deal with customers, manage a company and so much more. That's why our courses aim to make you work ready - something today's employers love to see.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Hair, Beauty and Nails Entry Level			x	
Hairdressing Level 1			x	
Beauty Therapy Level 2			x	
Hairdressing Level 2			x	
Hair and Media Make-up Level 2			x	
Nails Level 2			x	
Hairdressing Level 3			x	
Hair and Media Make-up Level 3			x	
Nails Level 3			x	
Apprenticeships				
Barbering Level 2			x	
Beauty Therapy Level 2			x	
Hairdressing Level 2			x	
Nails Level 2			x	
Barbering Level 3			x	
Beauty Therapy Level 3			x	
Hairdressing Level 3			x	
Nails Level 3			x	

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Health and Social Care

A single act of kindness in a day to an elderly person with dementia or a child with a disability can make a huge difference to them. If you think you've got what it takes to work in the health and social care profession, then we have the courses for you.



Did you know?



Sheffield City Region will have over 120,000 people working in Health and Social Care by 2021. That's a 6.7% increase.



Hamama Yafi

"I studied for my Level 1 and Level 2 in Health and Social Care at The Sheffield College before progressing onto an Apprenticeship. I found college a much better environment for me compared to school. I had the independence, yet still received the support I needed when I needed it. I always got the opportunity to do work placements (including one at Norfolk Park Special School) during my courses which gave me a real taste of my future career. I received an unconditional offer on a Nursing Degree course at Sheffield Hallam University for September 2016. I found that it's really important to have the work experience before going on to university as it enhances your knowledge of the career you are going in to and this is something that the Health and Social Care courses at The Sheffield College can offer."



The college has a state-of-the-art emergency care training suite, with a mock hospital ward, training dummies and an ultrasound machine. We want you to learn in an environment that matches the one you'll work at in the future.

What's more, the college tutors are experts in their specific professions within the industry, with extensive experience under their belts. They've worked in the jobs you want, making them the perfect people to help you build your skills. You'll benefit from guest lecturers and the opportunity of class trips to supplement your learning which this year has included: visiting Parliament in London, Germany and Edinburgh.

Health and Social Care also offers the chance to learn about promoting a healthy lifestyle, the importance of a good diet, and how to be a good communicator. Working in health and social care requires a person of a compassionate nature. You'll be working with elderly people in a care home, working with adults or children with learning disabilities, or helping people recover from illness or injury in a hospital. Like our courses, the industry is tough and you'll need to work hard but the rewards far outweigh any negatives.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Care Entry Level			x	
Health and Social Care Level 1	x	x	x	
Health and Social Care Level 2	x	x	x	
Youth Work Practice Level 2	x			
Health and Social Care Level 3	x	x	x	
Youth Work Practice Level 3	x			
Apprenticeships				
Health and Social Care Level 2			x	
Hospital Care Level 2			x	
Health and Social Care Level 3			x	

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Horticulture and Floristry

How does maintaining and designing fancy country gardens sound? Think Chatsworth. Think the Botanicals.

Fancy being a Pitch Manager, creating green carpet-like pitches at Bramall Lane, Hillsborough, or maybe even Wembley?

Or what about creating beautiful bouquets or centre pieces for weddings or other lavish events?



Did you know?



There are currently around 6,000 Horticulture jobs in the Sheffield City Region.



Chloe Leaman

"I decided to study for my Intermediate Apprenticeship in Floristry at The Sheffield College whilst I was working for my current employer, a local florist. The Apprenticeship included skills to help me in the workplace such as customer service, communication and building professional working relationships, as well as the practical floristry skills I learnt every day. I even got the opportunity to do a floral arrangement for the Queen on her Maundy Monday visit! I would really recommend a Floristry Apprenticeship as you learn the theoretical and practical skills you'll need for your career and get paid for doing it!"



How about working with endangered animals and plants as an Environmental and Wildlife Conservationist, ensuring future generations get to enjoy the same flora and fauna as us?

All of those opportunities stem from our Horticulture and Land-based courses, and luckily for you we have just the facilities to do so in. With a brand new floristry studio and fully automated glasshouses, adding to our industry standard workshops and latest equipment and machinery, we'll have you sculpting landscapes, growing, trading, and arranging flowers, or working to conserve our environments and wildlife in no time at all.

With careers ranging from Landscape Gardener to Garden Designer, Florist to Environmental Conservationist, the opportunities for you have never been better than here at The Sheffield College.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Horticulture Level 1	x			
Environmental Conservation Level 2	x			
Floristry Level 2	x			
Horticulture Level 2	x			
Horticulture Level 3	x			
Apprenticeships				
Environmental Conservation Level 2	x			
Floristry Level 2	x			
Horticulture Level 2	x			
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IT and Computing

Would it be fair to say you spend a lot of time attached to the latest gadgets? Do you love learning more about computing systems and how everything works? Do you spend a load of time downloading and playing on apps? From viral to the unknown, wouldn't it be cool if you could make your own? Bigger, better, faster!



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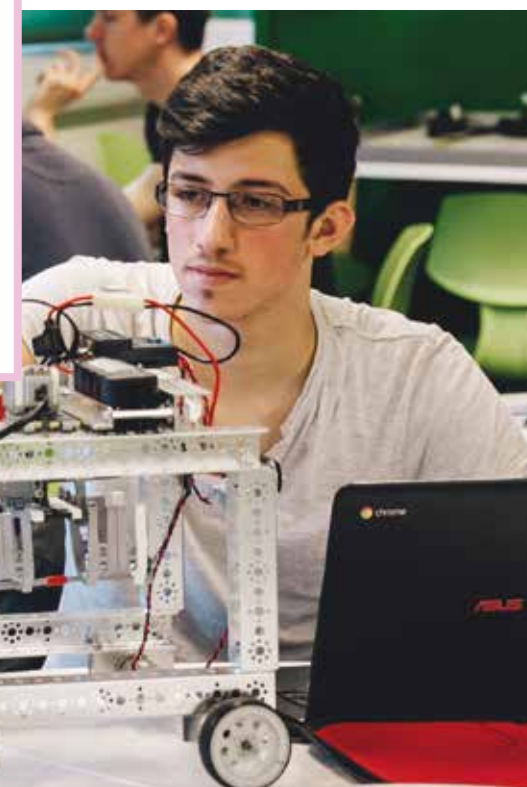


There are currently 11,500 people employed in Computing in the Sheffield City Region.



Zoe Lomax
Plusnet

"I currently work as a Software Quality Assurance Engineer at Plusnet. I started my journey by doing an ICT course at The Sheffield College. When I first came to the college I didn't have my English and Maths GCSEs and the tutors really supported me to achieve these alongside my ICT qualification. This was extremely important for me as I needed these skills to progress in the industry. I then went on to do a computing degree, along with a year-long work placement in the industry. If you are young and ambitious with an interest in ICT and Computing, this is the perfect industry for you."



We know how important technology is these days, and we know we don't have to convince you. There isn't an employer out there who doesn't use some kind of technology; we want you to learn in the best surroundings with the most up to date systems. As a result we have invested in specialist computing labs and robotic suites to reflect this (that's right, robots). By the time you get out into industry, you'll be the expert.

In this digital age we find ourselves in, there is no better time to get into computing. With computer technology continually evolving, learning to code as a Software Developer is a skill that employers love, and will unlock a whole world of problem solving and opportunities in new app and software creation across all walks of life.

Our courses won't only give you the chance to learn to code, they'll also develop your practical skills required to master hardware technology and software applications allowing you to work as a Network or Desktop Support Engineer to support the business needs of employers.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
IT Level 1			x	
IT Level 2			x	
IT Level 3			x	
Apprenticeships				
ICT Practitioner Level 2			x	
ICT Practitioner Level 3			x	

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Media, Journalism and Photography

Sheffield's pretty high flying when it comes to media. Everybody knows that and we've got loads of creative companies to boot! So when you say you want to get into media, we really don't blame you (there really isn't a better city to kick start your media career off in).



Did you know?



If you pursue a career in Media you could be working as a Film Producer, Editor, Journalist, Broadcaster, Videographer, Author, TV Presenter, a TV Producer, Radio Presenter or much more!



Ricky Charlesworth

"I decided to study for the NCTJ Diploma (National Council for the Training of Journalists) at The Sheffield College because I saw it as a direct path into the career I wanted. The tutors were great, really approachable and always ready to help, and the software and facilities available to me as a student really helped with my course and building my experience. I now work as a reporter at the Yorkshire Post newspaper in Leeds and I love it - no two days are ever the same!"



Our Media courses will give you the perfect base to launch you into a career in journalism, social media, photography, film production, marketing, or as a high flying TV executive.

Sound exciting? It really is. We've recently invested millions of pounds in our Hillsborough Campus (where these courses are based) to provide you with the best media opportunities in the region. We've got photography studios, recording studios, a TV studio, edit suites and production facilities for TV, radio and film.

We work with a whole host of local employers in the industry to make sure we open as many doors for you during your time here as possible. For example, recent opportunities have included filming and reporting live Sheffield Sharks matches, as well as our partnership with Televideo.

We don't want you to just turn up and do your course. We want to support you to get as much as you can from your time with us, and help you to ensure your CV will make employers look twice.

Our tutors are all experts in their area and many have worked out in the industries they teach in. For example our journalism tutors have worked for newspapers and magazines across the country. They know all the ins and outs of the industry and there's no one better to help you start your career than people who have previously done the job you want.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Digital Production Entry Level	x			
Digital Production Level 1	x			
Digital Media Production Level 2	x			
Photography and Social Media Level 2	x			
Film, TV and Media Production Level 3	x			
Journalism and Social Media Communication Level 3	x			
Post-Production, 3D and Special FX Level 3	x			
Photography and Social Media Promotion Level 3	x			
NCTJ Diploma in Journalism	x			
Apprenticeships				
Creative and Digital Production Level 3	x			
Journalism Level 3	x			

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Performing Arts and Music

We're pretty good at music in Sheffield aren't we?! Arctic Monkeys, Pulp, The Human League, Def Leppard, Reverend and The Makers. And do we need to start telling you about our TV and film heritage too? Sean Bean, This is England...

Maybe we should mention Sheffield's internationally acclaimed theatres, with Sheffield born Dominic West recently gracing the stage. Not forgetting our thriving dance scene, including local venues that are home to Strictly Come Dancing stars. You get the picture.



Did you know?



Many people in the music industry are self-employed and work as Session Musicians, Singers, Artist Management, Sound Engineers, Promoters, DJs or Producers.



Calum Morris

"I did a Performing Arts qualification with The Sheffield College. At the time I was quite shy and thought it would be a good opportunity to learn the skills I needed to move onto a job or university. I also wanted to get my English and Maths qualifications as I didn't get them at school and I knew the college would support me through these. The tutors were fantastic and very supportive - alongside my Performing Arts course I was also able to learn the ins and outs of setting up my own business. I've now set up my own magician company and this year I've been selected to appear at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. College has really helped me to build my confidence and go after what I want."



We're pretty good at it here at the college too. In fact, some of our previous students have gone on to have careers within the music and tv and film industries.

From Band Managers through to Session Musicians, Musical Theatre, Actors, Dancers, Directors, Producers for chart hits, West End Stage Performers, TV personalities and internationally acclaimed playwrights. Or maybe you prefer the backstage side of things, such as Lighting or Sound Engineers. Whatever area you want to get into, we've got the course for you.

So that we keep Sheffield's performance scene alive and well, we've just invested millions of pounds in some impressive music rehearsal studios, dance studios, recording studios, top rate equipment, rehearsal studios and our very own theatre. Just for you! We've got performance theatres and even a TV studio too!

Our tutors all have real experience out in the industry. They'll help you prepare for the career you want or the next step in your life. They'll help you build your skills and get experience in areas that will really help you stand out to employers or universities. After all, who's better to learn from than someone who's been there and done it?

We work hard to get involved with big projects in the city and develop relationships with local employers so our students can use their time with us to gain work experience and build connections. This year alone our students have worked on live projects with Sheffield Theatres, professional dance companies, recording artists and many more.

During your time with us you'll get to put on shows regularly, including theatre productions and dance and music performances – so if you love playing to an audience, get applying!

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Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Music Level 2	x			
Performing and Production Arts Level 2	x			
Acting Level 3	x			
Dance Level 3	x			
Music Level 3	x			
Music Technology Level 3	x			
Production Arts Level 3	x			
Technical Theatre and Stage Management Level 3	x			
Apprenticeships				
Performing Arts Level 3	x			

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Public Services

Can you see yourself working on the front line for one of the country's emergency services?

You could be:

- Enforcing law for the Police
- Working within the Prison and Probation Service
- Putting out fires with the Fire Service
- Being first on the scene for the Ambulance Service
- Protecting the country with the Army, RAF, Royal Marines or the Royal Navy

Saving lives as the first call of response, protecting others from any level and type of threat or danger, and generally keeping the country safe is as important as a job as any. It's not for everyone but if it's for you our Public Services courses are about to make a whole range of careers available to you.



Did you know?



You could work as: Security Guard, Prison Officer, Army Officer, Police Officer, Ambulance Worker, Fire and Rescue Officer, Paramedic and much more.



Eleanor Abbott

"I always thought I wanted to be in the Police so upon leaving school I decided to do the Level 2 Uniformed Public Services course at The Sheffield College. As the course developed I found that I enjoyed the psychological and sociological theories and decided to pursue a career in probation. I went on from college to university to study a degree in Criminal Justice Practice. I think those of us that had come from college were a lot more prepared for university, we had already done a lot of voluntary work placements and a research project – which is like a mini dissertation. The Sheffield College really prepared me for my next step because I got the opportunity to get real work experience as well as the theory."



Whichever area of Public Services you choose the opportunities you'll have are endless. We'll even set up pretend emergency incidents for you including mock chemical spills and road traffic accidents, so you'll know exactly what you're doing!

That's not all, here at The Sheffield College we have strong working links with local emergency services and public sector employers to offer day visits and as much support as you need with a career into any of the occupations in this industry. We regularly have talks from guest lecturers who work in the public services industries such as Paramedics, Police Officers and The Army, so you'll be able to get a real taste of what these careers involve, whilst making some great connections at the same time.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Public Services Level 1	x	x		
Public Services Level 2	x	x		
Public Services Level 3	x	x		
Apprenticeships				
Activity Leadership (Leadership/Outdoors) Level 2	x			

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Science, Dental and Pharmacy

Can you see yourself sifting through evidence at a crime scene as a Forensics Expert? Developing new equipment for hospitals in one of the region's leading healthcare technology companies? How about working as a pharmacist and helping people with their medicines? Or maybe even working as a Dentist or Dental Assistant?



Did you know?



There are currently 5,500 Scientists and Dental Workers employed in the Sheffield City Region. This is set to increase by 9.3% over the next 5 years.



At The Sheffield College we offer courses in all of these areas. Some of our courses are that bespoke, such as Dental Technology, you'll find we're the only college to offer it for miles around.

We've recently invested lots of money to make sure that we can offer you the best facilities. This year saw us launch our specialist dental lab so that you can learn with the same equipment you'll be using out in industry. We've got a range of different labs for each subject, so there really is no better place to learn to prepare yourself for the working world or university.

Our staff have all worked out in industry so know how important real work experience is for our students. As a result they work hard to make links with local employers so we can offer work placements, special guest lecturers and trips to supplement your learning.

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Science Level 1			x	
Applied Science Level 2			x	
Dental Technology Level 3			x	
Applied Science Level 3	x			
Medical Science Level 3		x		
Science with Forensics Level 3			x	
Apprenticeships				
Applied Science Level 2			x	
Pharmacy Services Level 2			x	
Applied Science Level 3			x	
Dental Nursing Level 3			x	
Pharmacy Services Level 3			x	

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Sport and Fitness

As the National City of Sport, where's better than The Sheffield College for developing your sporting talent and knowledge? We're in a city esteemed in sporting prowess, beautiful outdoor scenery and world-class facilities. We've got Olympic gold medallists, world champions, and two great football teams. We even go mad for the snooker as it pops its head in yearly for the World Championships, making Sheffield an unrivalled place for you to come and study! What's more, we've just been crowned South Yorkshire College Games champions - so we really are the best!



Did you know?



There are many possible jobs in the sports industry, such as: Leisure and Sports Managers, Physiotherapists, Therapy Professionals or a Sports Player, and many more.



Andrew Hibberd

"I decided to study for my Level 3 in Sport at The Sheffield College because I was excited about the opportunities it held for me. I couldn't have been more right. The tutors supported me every step of the way and helped to open doors that wouldn't have been available had I gone elsewhere. Not only was there support with my Sports studies but the college also have an enterprise programme to help teach you the skills you need to set up your own business. After completing my Level 3 I went on to study for my Foundation Degree in Sports Coaching at The Sheffield College. At the same time the tutors helped myself and two other students set up a business that we were passionate about (increasing opportunities for disabled people in sport). Currently this has been a great success and we work in partnership with SWFC and the FA. We're just about to take this into schools and we can't wait."



We've got opportunities in Sport Science, Exercise and Fitness, Sports Massage, Coaching and Performance and Personal Training at our Hillsborough Campus where you'll get to learn in our top class facilities including floodlit 3G pitches, playing fields, sports halls, gym facilities and dance studios.

That's not all, you'll have the chance to represent the college competitively in one of our many teams in the national leagues and gain additional sporting qualifications. All whilst benefitting from our great connections with all the major sporting clubs across the city including Sheffield United, Sheffield Wednesday, Sheffield Sharks and Sheffield Steeldogs.

We've got links with hundreds of local employers meaning you'll get every opportunity possible during your time with us. This could include seminars hosted by guest lecturers from out in the industry, work placements with the biggest names in sport or trips to some of the leading sports establishments in the world. These are the experiences that will make you stand out to future employers and universities and we're on hand to give them to you.

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Sport and Active Leisure Level 1	x			
Sport (Coaching) Level 2	x			
Sport (Exercise and Fitness) Level 2	x			
Sport (Physical Activity and Health) Level 2	x			
Sport (Coaching, Development and Fitness) Level 3	x			
Sport and Exercise Science Level 3	x			
Sport (Fitness Instructor and Personal Trainer) Level 3	x			
Sport Massage and Therapy Level 3			x	
Sport (Performance and Excellence) Level 3 - Elite Performance Programmes including SUFC, SFC and SWFC partnership programmes	x			
Apprenticeships				
Exercise and Fitness (Gym Instructor) Level 2	x			
Leisure Operations Level 2	x			
Exercise and Fitness (Personal Training) Level 3	x			
Sports Development Level 3	x			
Supporting Teaching and Learning in PE Level 3	x			

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A Levels

If a more academic approach to learning suits you best and you fancy doing more than one course at a time (because after all, variety is the spice of life), A Levels sound the right fit for you. Lasting two years, A Levels are a perfect route to university and pretty much any career path you fancy turning your hand to.

At The Sheffield College we have loads of A Levels to offer you, from Biology to Business, Psychology to Photography. With A Levels in lots of subjects you're able to study three or more courses at the same time, giving you the chance to enjoy a varied education, keeping your options open for your future. Got a career in mind already? Great. Our expert staff are on hand to advise you on which subjects you need to take to get there. You just need to ask.



Joseph Hall

"I decided to challenge myself and do 4 A Levels in General Studies, Media Studies, Sociology and English Literature at The Sheffield College. I studied for a year at my school Sixth Form to begin with but decided to move to the college and I'm so glad I did as I've enjoyed the experience so much more. I've loved my time at college, the teaching has been great and the tutors are so supportive - they are always willing to go the extra mile. I've also been supported to do work experience in local primary schools which has been invaluable on my university applications. My next step is to go onto university to study for a degree in primary education. I'm sad to leave the college but excited for the next chapter."



We know that picking what to do next isn't easy, so we've put together a few top tips of things to think about before choosing which A Levels you want to take:

- You might have heard A Levels are more demanding than GCSEs. We won't sugarcoat it, this is true. That's why at The Sheffield College we have experienced teaching staff who have been educated, and worked, in the subject they teach on hand to support you and ensure you achieve the very best you can
- Some university courses and careers will require certain A Level subjects as entry requirements. We know you might not know what you want to do after you finish college yet, but it helps to have a rough idea so you can choose related subjects
- Now, and this one's a biggy, where do you want to study? You'll be studying your A Levels for 2 years so make sure you pick the right place. At The Sheffield College we've got the best facilities in the area to make sure you have the best experience during your time here
- A Levels are a great stepping stone to help you on your way to university or employment. Competition for places is fierce, so we support all our students to build their CV and get ahead of the rest by offering the opportunity to get involved with work placements, sports teams, clubs, activities, trips abroad and competitions

Course and Level	H	P	C	O
Art and Design	x			
Business Studies	x			
Biology	x			
Chemistry	x		x	
English Language	x			
English Literature	x			
Film Studies	x			
Geography	x			
History	x			
Maths	x			
Media Studies	x			
Photography	x			
Physics	x			
Psychology	x			
Sociology	x			
Theatre Studies	x			

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Apprenticeships

Thinking an Apprenticeship might be for you? We've put together a list of Frequently Asked Questions about Apprenticeships to help you with the basics.

Do I get paid for doing an Apprenticeship?

Yes. An Apprenticeship is paid training, so you get a qualification at the same time as earning a wage. The minimum weekly salary for an Apprentice is almost £100 a week, with some employers paying much more.

Do employers value an Apprenticeship on my CV as much as other qualifications?

A recent study found that UK employers cited work experience as their top priority when hiring new candidates. An Apprenticeship shows that you're not only qualified, but that you already have experience of doing the job you're applying for - something that is invaluable.

What does an Apprenticeship involve?

Every Apprenticeship is different but typically you'll be employed by a company full-time (roughly four days a week) and come into college on day release one day a week for your lessons.

What subjects can I do an Apprenticeship in?

The list is endless. Here at The Sheffield College we currently offer Apprenticeships in over 30 different subjects. This ranges from Hair and Beauty to Catering, Engineering and Sport. You can find our full offer at www.sheffcol.ac.uk/apprenticeships, we really do have something for everyone.

How do I find an Apprenticeship?

Don't worry, we have a team of experts who'll help you to find the role you want and help you apply. Get in touch with them today at jobconnectrecruitment@sheffcol.ac.uk.

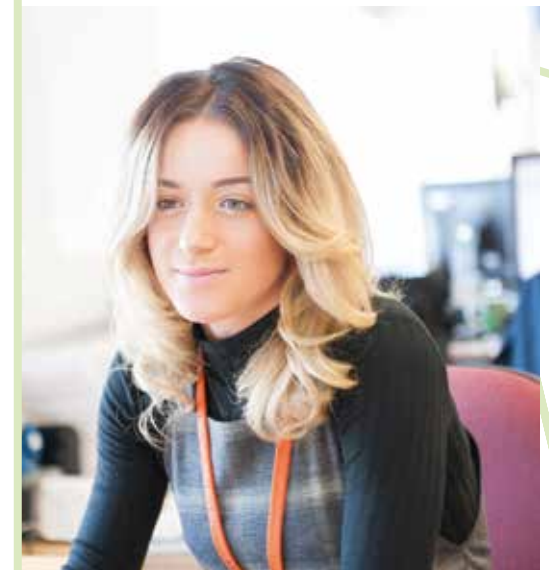
You'll find all of our Apprenticeships listed within their curriculum areas in the course information pages or you can go to www.sheffcol.ac.uk/apprenticeships for more information.



Victoria Salisbury

"After realising I didn't want to stay on at school I decided to look into Apprenticeships. Business Admin was something I'd always been interested in, but I'd never been given advice about Apprenticeships so I didn't know where to start. Fortunately the advice and application process at The Sheffield College was brilliant and I applied to work for a local MP doing my Level 2 Business Admin NVQ. I spent one day a week in college and an invaluable 18 months in the MP's office gaining a lot of knowledge, experience and insight into the world of politics and administration. I've since completed my Level 3 and currently due to finish my Level 4 Apprenticeship. I absolutely love being an Apprentice; I love the support you get from tutors, the experience you gain from the work you do, the people you meet along the way and the fact it gives you a career path without any debt! I would advise anyone to do an Apprenticeship, it was the best decision I ever made."

Check out our latest Apprenticeship vacancies at www.sheffcol.ac.uk/apprenticeship/vacancies/



What's next?

It's never too early to start planning for your next step. Once you start with The Sheffield College our expert staff will support you to plan what you want to do when you finish your course with us. You'll have several options:

1. Apply for a university course

Did you know that we offer university degrees at The Sheffield College? All of our courses are validated by Sheffield Hallam University, and we have a wide range of subjects available. We're pretty proud of what we have on offer. Have a look at some of the things that set us above the rest:

1. Value – our course fees are much lower than traditional universities (only £6,500 a year to be exact!)
2. Achievement – our one-to-one support means we can empower you to achieve the very best you can
3. It's all about you – our small class sizes enable tutors to provide you with a higher level of one-to-one support than at universities
4. Location – you can live at home whilst you study to get the degree you want without the hassle of the added costs of moving
5. Flexibility – our degree courses can be full or part-time, meaning you can fit your education around your family, or work commitments, if necessary
6. Top class tutors – our tutors aren't just teachers. They have experience of working out in industry, meaning they can help you develop the skills today's employers want to see
7. Something for everyone – we have a wide range of university level courses, everything from Graphic Design and Policing to Performing Arts and Construction
8. A little extra – all of our students get a £500 IT voucher to spend on things that will help them on their course* – such as a tablet or laptop

* subject to eligibility

2. Apply for a Higher Level Apprenticeship

Apprenticeships are a great way to get a qualification, real work experience, and earn money at the same time. We have some great opportunities with some of the best employers in the business; our expert team are on hand to help you with your application and even the interview process.

3. Take the next step at The Sheffield College

Where possible we aim to be able to offer you a full route into the career you want. If you've enjoyed your current course with us and would like to take this to the next level we can advise on the course options available to you to build your skills and experience.

4. Apply for a job

As the biggest college in the region we've got links with over 2,000 employers locally. We'll support you to look for a work placement in the career you want to go into, and our expert tutors will be on hand to give you advice on what jobs to go for and how to apply.

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