







2026 College 16+ Course Guide







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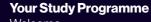
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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Changes to qualifications, including T Levels and BTECs, are ongoing. While this guide is accurate at the time of printing, updates may occur before September 2026. For the latest information, please visit our website.

We reserve the right to amend, withdraw and add courses and entry requirements in the future. This guide is not contractual, and we accept no liability for any inaccuracies. Careers information is sourced from the National Careers Service, LMI, Liverpool Enterprise Partnership, Prospects, and Glassdoor.





We've made significant investments in our campuses, ensuring you have everything you need for an immersive learning experience and although we may be a large college, you'll never feel lost in the crowd - we make sure every student feels part of our friendly, inclusive college community.

Whether you're interested in T Levels, technical courses, or apprenticeships, our courses are designed to help you achieve your dream career. Our expert tutors bring real-world industry experience into the classroom, and our strong employer partnerships help connect your learning to your future career.

But college life is about more than just studying. Here, you'll make unforgettable memories - whether it's through exciting trips abroad, hands-on work placements, networking with industry professionals, or showcasing your talents in competitions. You'll build confidence, make lifelong friends, and leave with more than just a qualification.

We can't wait to welcome you.

Come and see what makes Knowsley Community College so special at our next open event!

Our Campuses

We have spent a lot of time and resources making sure that you have everything you need to get the most out of your experience with us.

It may not look like it from the outside, but our two campuses have everything from commercial salons, construction and engineering workshops and a film studio to tennis courts, 3G all weather pitches and an athletics track.





Lan Gampus

Facilities include:

- The Bistro Restaurant
- Commercial Salons
- Art Studios and Workshops
- Gym
- Live Recording Suite and TV Studio
- Realistic Early Years Setting

- Theatre and Dance Studio
- Starbucks
- Library
- 3G All Weather Sport Pitch
- Winter Garden

Stockbridge Lane, Huyton, L36 3SD



AMTech Campus



Your Student Experience

Life at Knowsley Community College is so much more than just studying... It's about new experiences, fresh opportunities, discovering new places and creating memorable moments with friends.

You'll have the opportunity to take part in activities and fundraising events that will enhance your CV or UCAS application.



WORK EXPERIENCE AND VOLUNTEERING

Experience is key to securing your dream career. That is why we work closely with both local and regional employers to provide you with industry placements and volunteering opportunities to develop your skills and experience.

As part of your study programme, you are required to complete work-related experience:

- If you are resitting English and/or Maths, you must complete a minimum of 18 hours.
- If you are not resitting English or Maths, you must complete a minimum of 40 hours.

Work placements offer you the opportunity to:

- Enhance your CV
- Explore your career goals and interests
- Meet new people
- Develop your skills
- Discover your strengths





ENRICHMENT CLUBS

We have lots of opportunities for you to participate in clubs and lunchtime activities such as Manga, Lego, chess, or mindfulness colouring and crafts. We even have our own football team. We are always open to suggestions for new clubs too!







GUEST SPEAKERS AND INDUSTRY INSIGHT

There are plenty of opportunities to hear from guest speakers and industry professionals related to your course area. You will gain first-hand experience, insight and advice and will also have the chance to take part in masterclasses and activities to leave you feeling inspired.



STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES

Students are nominated as course and campus representatives and have the opportunity to take part in conferences throughout the year and work with College management to communicate ideas and contribute to important decisions.



Increase your chances of employment with The Duke of Edinburgh's globally recognised award. Learn how to become a team player and a leader and gain the desirable skills that employers are looking for! Develop life long skills, increase your confidence and build resilience, so that you are ready to take on new challenges.



CHARITY FUNDRAISING INITIATIVES

Staff and students across all campuses take part in fundraising activities to raise money for local and national charities including, Comic Relief, Zoe's Place, Save the Children, Children in Need, Macmillan Cancer Support, Willowbrook Hospice and Teardrops.





STUDENT GOVERNORS

Each year, the College's Board of Governor's appoints a Student Governor. This role involves representing the student body and attending monthly meetings with College leadership including the Principal.



At Knowsley Community College, we believe that strong relationships are the key to personal growth and success. That's why every student takes part in RF4, a unique programme developed by Vibe UK.

Through fun, meaningful activities in your Personal Development Sessions, RF4 helps you build better relationships - with yourself, with others, with your community, and with your future. It's all about helping you feel more confident, connected, and ready for whatever comes next.

Through RF4, you'll:

- Learn to manage emotions more effectively
- Build stronger friendships and family connections
- Boost your confidence
- Improve your college performance
- Set clearer goals for your future









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COMPETITIONS

Many of our students have had the opportunity to showcase their skills at regional competitions such as WorldSkills UK, HIP Learner of the Year, and the Association of Hairdressers and Therapists (AHT)!



Student Support

We are here to support you!

CAREERS ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

Your future is important to us, and we are committed to supporting our students to plan their next steps and make informed choices through impartial careers information, advice, and guidance. We have an experienced Careers Team, who can provide lots of support across a range of areas such as researching your career, progression and further training options, support with job, apprenticeship or university applications or CV writing.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT TUTOR

You will have a dedicated Personal Development Tutor to guide and support you throughout your studies alongside your Course Tutor.





LIBRARY

We have a substantial collection of learning resources to support your studies including a huge online database, journals and ebooks, which means that you can study at home, on campus or anywhere at a time to suit you.

UNIFROG

Explore the wide range of careers available to you with our online tool, Unifrog. It allows you to explore your interests, and compare university-level qualifications, apprenticeships, and further education courses available to you.

Visit www.unifrog.org



We also have a dedicated Chaplaincy Hub, which is a quiet, comfortable room, where you can rest, think, meditate or pray.

ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT

Our experienced team will work with you to provide recommendations based on your individual requirements or Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP) to support you during your time at College.

The following support is available:

 Assessment of individual need (including exam access arrangements)

to talk to someone.

- Liaison with local authorities, exam boards and course tutors
- One-to-one skills development tutorials

- In-class support from Learning Support Assistants
- Access to specialist equipment
- Communication support for British Sign Language and Sign Supported English users

SAFEGUARDING & MENTAL HEALTH WELLBEING TEAM

- Assistance with any personal care and healthcare needs
- Mobility assistance

Financial Support

Ways we can help!



find out more!

We want to make sure that you can make the most out of your College experience. So don't worry about the costs of coming to College – we have it covered!

FREE BUS TRAVEL

We provide a FREE Arriva bus pass for the whole academic year, which you can use every weekday during term time.

If you are unable to travel using an Arriva pass, you may be eligible for a Mersey Travel bus pass, or you may receive assistance towards the cost of alternative travel.



We know that breakfast is the most important meal of the day, which is why all our students are entitled to a free breakfast! Enjoy free toast, cereal or porridge and a hot or cold drink, from 8.00am – 8.50am, every weekday.



FREE COLLEGE LUNCH, KIT AND EQUIPMENT*

You may be entitled to a free lunch at any of the College's catering outlets, which is available every day, when you are timetabled to attend college.

Depending on the requirements of your course, you could also receive financial help with essential equipment, uniforms, trips and travel.

*Terms and conditions apply.





Real Students, Real Stories

We are exceptionally proud of our students and all that they achieve. Whether they progress into employment, on to university or secure an apprenticeship, we love to celebrate their successes and like to keep in touch, even years after they've left College!



Jack and Borys

Level 3 Business students, Jack and Borys are proud of their first-year achievements and are excited to continue their journey at College.

The College has everything we were looking for. The tutors are friendly, and the environment felt right from the start. We've really enjoyed the coursework - comparing real businesses and presenting has built our confidence. The supportive atmosphere and approachable staff make it a brilliant place to learn.



The tutors have been incredibly supportive, and I've gained so much valuable knowledge. I loved learning about cyber security and how it protects people and organisations. I'm proud to have achieved D*D*D. My goal is to become a Cyber Security Analyst, and I'm excited to begin my next chapter at university.

Previous School: Dixons Fazakerley Academy
Course: Level 3 Computing and IT
University: Cyber Security at De Montfort University



From the start of my course, I knew I'd made the right choice. My tutors made learning enjoyable and the facilities and equipment were amazing. I loved the practical filming work - especially creating a TV advert. It felt like a real production. I'm excited to pursue directing at university.

Previous School: Kirkby High School Course: Level 3 Creative Media

University: Film and Broadcasting at Edge Hill University



I loved my time on the course and truly value the friendships I've made. My placement at Mabb Lane Primary was a highlight. I received outstanding feedback, which meant so much - being recognised for my dedication was amazing, especially as teaching in a primary school is my future goal.

Previous School: St John Bosco Arts College

Course: Level 3 Sport

Career: Aspiring Primary School Teacher



Overcoming my struggle with GCSE maths was a huge personal victory. With support and real-work experience as a SEN Teaching Assistant and Care Assistant, I've grown so much. I'm proud of what I've achieved and excited to continue my journey towards a career in Fertility Nursing.

Previous School: Broughton Hall Catholic High School
Course: Level 3 Health and Social Care
University: Adult Nursing at Liverpool John Moores University



Attending Open Events made me certain Knowsley Community College was the right place for me. Moving from Nigeria, the support and friendships I found helped me settle in quickly. The tutors were amazing, and after achieving a grade B I'm excited to study Nursing and pursue my dream career.

Previous School: Anglican Girls Grammar School, Nigeria **Course:** Level 3 Health and Social Care **University:** Nursing at University of Chester

How Do You Want To Learn?

There are lots of pathways available to you when you finish your GCSEs and we know it can be difficult deciding what to do.

At Knowsley Community College, we have options to suit all students depending on how you like to study, and what you want to do in the future.

Technical Courses

Do you prefer to learn in a practical, hands-on way?

Technical courses, also known as 'vocational' are available from entry level to level 3, and take one or two years to complete. These types of course are great if you know what you want to do in the future.

One Course, Full-Time

With a technical course, you will study one subject, full-time, combined with GCSE English and/or maths if you do not have a grade 4 or above, and an industry work placement.

Excellent Progression

Technical courses are just as valuable as A levels and still give you the opportunity to go to university, complete an apprenticeship or secure employment.

Are you looking to study a technical course?

Click here to search our courses!



Apprenticeships

Do you want to earn while you learn?

Apprenticeships are a great way to develop your skills and experience on-the-job whilst gaining a recognised qualification and one of the many benefits is, you'll get paid to do it.

You will typically spend four days a week in the workplace, learning new skills and developing your experience, with one day a week in the classroom or workshop, learning the knowledge and theory behind your role.

There are many apprenticeships to choose from across a wide range of industries and they can take one to four years to complete, depending on which level you start at and the type of apprenticeship you choose.

Are you looking to study an apprenticeship?

Click here to find out more!





T Levels 1

Are you academically minded with a strong GCSE grade profile and have a career in mind?

T Levels are two-year qualifications, designed by leading businesses and employers to give you a head start towards your career! They are an alternative to A levels, technical courses and apprenticeships and include an industry placement.

80% College 20% Placement

You'll spend 80% of your time in College and 20% on a placement with an employer, gaining amazing experience.

1T Level = 3 A Levels

1T Level is equivalent to 3 A levels, which means you can progress to university, employment or a higher apprenticeship!

Backed by Businesses

T Levels have been designed with leading businesses and employers to give you the knowledge and skills you need to succeed.

Are you looking to study a T Level?

Click here to search our courses!





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Finding the right level of study for you!

We offer a range of qualifications starting at foundation level up to level 3, ensuring that there is a level of study suitable for you and your career plans, all designed to help you progress.

Foundation Learning

For students who have no GCSEs, or very low GCSE grades, home educated or may have missed a lot of school.

Entry Requirements

As a standard, you will not have achieved higher than a grade 2 in all GCSE subjects, including English and maths.

Progression

You can progress on to a full-time level 1 course. (subject to availability)



Level 1

For students with a lower GCSE grade profile, allowing you to develop your skills to prepare you for level 2 study.

Qualifications at Level 1

Technical Courses

Entry Requirements

As a standard, you will need a **minimum** of 2 GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English and/or maths.

Progression

You can progress on to a level 2 technical course or apprenticeship.



Level 2

For students with a good GCSE grade profile, preparing you for level 3 study.

Qualifications at Level 2

- Technical Courses
- Apprenticeships

Entry Requirements

As a standard, you will need a **minimum** of 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English and/or maths. Some courses may have additional entry requirements such as a relevant level 1 qualification.

Progression

You could progress on to a level 3 technical course, T Level or apprenticeship.



Level 3

For students with a strong GCSE grade profile, preparing you for higher education, further training or employment.

Qualifications at Level 3

- Technical Courses
- Apprenticeships
- T Levels*

Entry Requirements

As a standard, you will need a **minimum** of 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and maths. Some courses may require science and a higher grade in maths.

Progression

You could progress on to university, a higher apprenticeship or employment.



*Some T Level courses may have additional entry requiremer

Foundation Learning



If you are aged between 16-18 years old, have no GCSEs, or very low GCSE grades (no higher than grade 2), been home schooled or missed a lot of school, then Foundation Learning may be an excellent starting point.

These pathways are designed to help you build confidence, develop essential life and employability skills, and strengthen your English and maths whilst gaining a level 1 qualification.

You'll also have the chance to gain work experience and explore different course options to discover what truly interests you.

By the end of your Foundation Learning journey, you'll be ready to progress onto a full-time course within the College with a clearer sense of direction and purpose.

PATHWAYS TO PROGRESS

RE-ENGAGE

Duration: 2 days per week for 8 weeks

Entry Criteria:

This course is for learners who are not in education, employment, or training (NEET) and/or have no formal qualifications, have not attended school recently, and have not sat any formal exams.

What Will I Study?

You'll focus on building employability and life skills to help you prepare for your next steps. This includes:

- Work readiness
- Communication and teamwork
- Confidence building
- CV writing and interview preparation
- Developing transferrable skills

Although there is no formal English or maths, some sessions will include basic level study to support your development.

RE-CONNECT

Duration: Up to 4 days per week for 1 academic year

Entry Criteria:

This course is designed for learners who have successfully completed the full 8-week Reengage pathway.

It provides tailored support for students who may have experienced challenges such as low attendance, behavioural difficulties, or personal barriers that have disrupted their education.

What Will I Study?

You'll work towards a Level 1 Award in Skills for Learning and Employment, alongside studying formal qualifications in English and maths. The programme runs over 3 days a week (up to 4 with English and maths) and includes one weekly session (2-3 hours) in a vocational pathway.

RE-DEVELOP

Duration: 4 days per week for 1 academic year

Entry Criteria:

This course is for learners who have low GCSE grades in Maths and English (must be below Grade 2) and have shown good school attendance. We may also consider applicants who have higher grades in vocational subjects, but who have not been able to secure a place on a main vocational programme.

What Will I Study?

You will work towards a Level 1 Certificate in Skills for Learning and Employment and GSCE English and maths. You will also take part in weekly vocational sessions in areas with the aim to progress onto a full vocational programme after successful completion.

Inclusive Learning

Our Inclusive Learning department provides a nurturing environment, which supports students with a wide range of special educational needs and disabilities.

We want our students to be fully engaged in their own choices, making informed and safe decisions about their future steps into independent living or work.

made up of elements such as;

- and safe travel.
- English and maths,
- Open Awards qualifications,
- EHCP outcomes and their identified individual development.

At the end of their pathway, students will leave us with skills for life and an understanding of the



find out more!



The King's Trust



MERSEYSIDE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE Improve your confidence, gain work experience and get back into education or employment with this free, 12-week employability and personal development programme with Merseyside Fire and Rescue.

You will gain a nationally recognised qualification which is held in high regard by employers. Over the last five years, three in four young people supported by The King's Trust moved into work, education or training.

This programme is open to anyone aged 16–25, with multiple start dates available throughout the year.

Programmes will be delivered from:

- Bootle and Netherton Community Fire Station
- Prescot Community Fire Station
- Wallasey Community Fire Station



If you wish to find out more about the programme, please contact the team:

youthengagementteam@merseyfire.gov.uk 0151296 4000

Supported Internship

The Supported Internship Programme is a partnership between Knowsley Community College and Knowsley Council, which provides students, aged 16-25 with an Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP), the opportunity to gain valuable work experience, which could lead to future employment or voluntary work.

How long does it last?

The programme starts in September and runs over one academic year, giving interns the chance to experience a full-time work placement and demonstrate their ability in the role over a long-term placement.





The working week

Each intern will spend four days a week on a work placement, gaining valuable skills and experience and one day a week at College, developing their employability and independence skills with their Job Coach and Employability Tutor.

What are the benefits of completing this programme?

- Increased levels of confidence and independence
- Development of new skills within an active work environment
- Demonstration of value in the workplace and making a positive contribution
- Positive changes in employer and family perceptions
- Valuable experience to enhance CV
- Improvement in English and maths skills, enhancing preparedness for work
- Expanded social circle and networking opportunities
- Potential for financial independence through paid employment

Click here to find out more!







Business

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ONE SUBJECT, FULL-TIME

Business

L1 L2 L3

Business Management and Administration (Team Leadership and Management)

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 2 GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English and/or maths
- 2 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English and/or maths
- 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and maths
- 7 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and maths



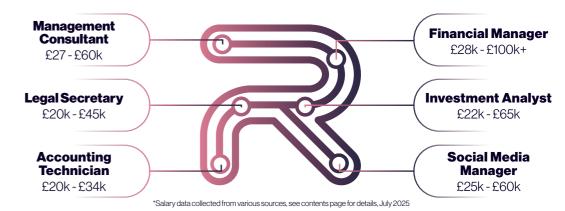




Whether you aspire to become a manager, set up your own business or work as part of a team, this industry has a range of exciting careers on offer. With access to leading business professionals including our very own tutors, you will explore all aspects of business, from project management and marketing to organisational structures, to ensure you have what it takes to succeed.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/business

REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Good communication skills
- Good digital skills
- Reliable and presentable
- Confident
- Ability to multi-task

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students attended a guest lecture by Skip Kelly from Rapid Transformational Therapy, exploring global industry collaboration, strategies for building resilience and guided discussions to help students reflect on their career goals.



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Catering and Hospitality



From working in a fast-paced kitchen to entering industry competitions and gaining insight from guest speakers - you'll have access to some incredible opportunities. We are proud of our links with top chefs from establishments such as The Art School Liverpool and Knowsley Hall, and even chefs who have appeared on MasterChef.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/catering

REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Strong customer service skills
- Strong teamwork skills
- Strong communication skills
- Attention to detail
- Excellent time management

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students explored London's vibrant food scene, sampling Greek, Italian, and Spanish dishes on Portobello Road, and treating themselves to handmade chocolates. A true foodie adventure!





4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including

English and maths

Computing and T

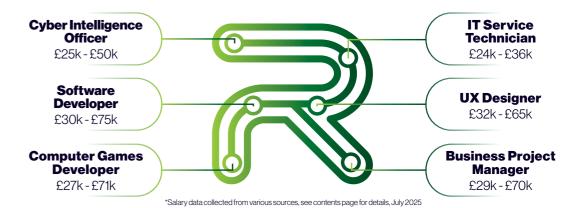




Computing and IT is a very creative field that combines innovation with methodical thinking and problem-solving, and the skills that you will develop on your course can be transferred to a huge range of careers. From entering competitions to gaining insight from guest speakers – your course is enriched with lots of activities to enhance your studies.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/IT

REAL CAREERS START WITH **REAL EXPERIENCES**



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Good communication skills
- Good digital skills
- Methodical approach to tasks
- Strong problem-solving skills
- Good time management

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students visited Bletchley Park, where Enigma code was famously cracked. They explored encryption and decryption, historic grounds, and connected wartime codebreaking with their cyber security studies.





GOOFREY

Aspiring SOFTWARE ENGINEER

A highlight of my student experience was being a Student Governor. It helped to grow my confidence and communication skills whilst providing a voice for other students. I've loved being part of college life and discovering my passion for programming and web development. Now, I'm excited to study Software Engineering at the University of Chester and take the next steps towards my career.

Course: Computing and IT

University: Software Engineering at University of Chester



Construction

At our IAMTech Campus, we have incredible environments with real, madeto-scale structures, for you to decorate, renovate and build in. From entering industry competitions such as WorldSkills to gaining first-hand insight from guest speakers – every day is different.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/construction



Construction Multi-Skills

L1 Bricklaying

Electrical Installation

Plumbing

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 3 GCSEs at grade 1 or above including English and/or maths
- 3 GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English and/or maths
- 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English and/or maths
- 2 3 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and/or maths and a relevant level 1 qualification

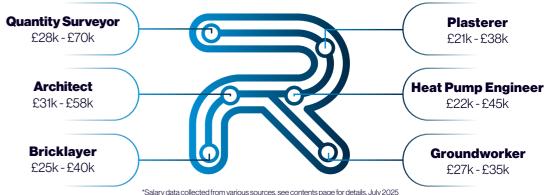




L1 L2



REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



*Salary data collected from various sources, see contents page for details, July 2025

KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Physical strength and endurance
- Good communication skills
- Attention to detail
- Comfortable working with heights
- Good problem-solving skills

INDUSTRY LINKS

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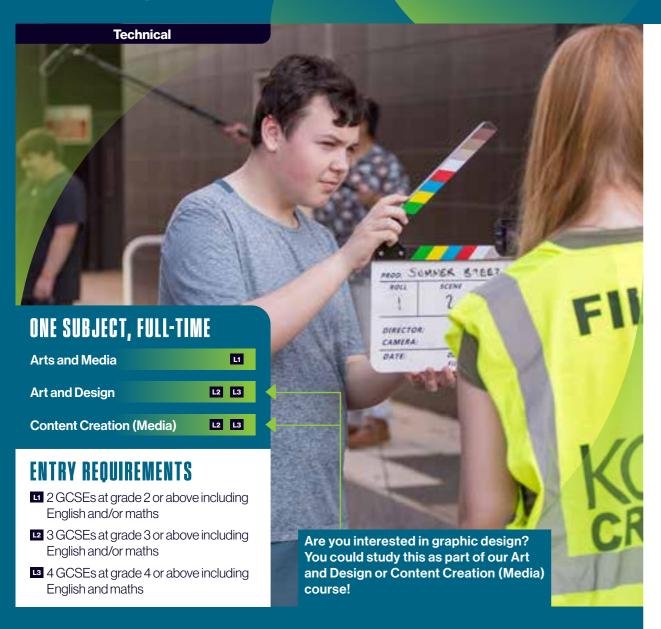


STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Kimpton inspired our students with insights into Solar PV and apprenticeships, sparking curiosity and showing how the right skills can lead to a future in green energy innovation.



Creative Arts

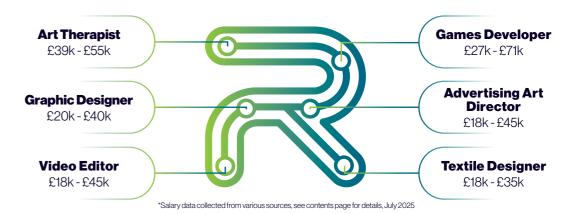




Working in our specialist studio spaces, such as our painting studios, green screen infinity cove, and editing suites, you will have the opportunity to unleash your creativity and explore a range of disciplines to help you decide which career path to follow.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/arts

REAL CAREERS START WITH **REAL EXPERIENCES**



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Creative and open mindset
- Can collaborate with others
- Resilient
- Self-motivated and disciplined
- Good time management

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STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Art and Content Creation (Media) students celebrated their creativity and incredible talent at our annual art exhibition, Mix25. Students showcased their work to friends, family, and tutors.





Larly Bars

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ONE SUBJECT, FULL-TIME

Health, Social Care and Early Years

L2

L1

Early Years

7-LEVEL

Early Years Educator

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 2 GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English language and maths
- 2 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English language and maths
- 7 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and maths





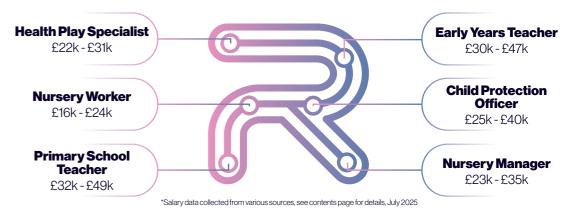




Working with children and young people is a hugely rewarding career and there is high demand for skilled professionals. From fundraising activities, trips and guest speaker workshops to learning in our realistic early years setting, which has story time areas, a mud room, and facilities for creative play, your course is enriched with lots of opportunities.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/earlyyears

REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Strong communication skills
- Empathetic and patient nature
- Excellent listening skills
- Mature and responsible attitude
- Ability to work calmly under pressure

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

What a day at Liverpool Hope University! Students explored courses, received UCAS tips, saw a live CalBomb demo, and visited Sensolab to discover innovative support for SEND learners through cutting-edge teaching.





ALEX

Aspiring

CHILDREN'S SOCIAL WORKER



My placement in a school truly inspired me to pursue a career in children's social work. I absolutely loved my course - the support was amazing, and the realistic early years setting gave me hands-on experience. I'm proud to have achieved an A* and excited to make a real impact in young children's lives through social work.





Technical • Apprenticeships ONE SUBJECT, FULL-TIME L1 L3 **Engineering** L2 **Mechanical Engineering** ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 2 GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English and/or maths
- 2 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English and/or maths
- 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and maths







The UK is a global leader in engineering, with a broad range of specialties from aerospace and renewable energy to manufacturing, which means there is a wide variety of career opportunities available in the industry. Based at our IAMTech Campus, you will have access to specialist industry workshops, equipped with the latest machinery, learning from industry expert tutors.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/engineering

REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Methodical approach to tasks
- Good maths skills
- Strong problem-solving
- Good communication skills

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Engineering students toured Jaguar Land Rover Halewood, going behind-the-scenes to see cutting-edge robotics and automation, and discovering how innovation drives the Evoque and Discovery Sport from concept to creation.



Hairdressing and Beauty



Based in our commercial salon, which has treatment rooms and a hair salon, you'll be working with the latest beauty brands such as Eve Taylor, Peaches and Cream and Wella, gaining all the necessary skills and experience to launch your career in the industry! You'll also have the opportunity to take part in industry competitions.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/hairandbeauty

Technical

ONE SUBJECT, FULL-TIME

Beauty Therapy

L1 L2 L3

Hairdressing

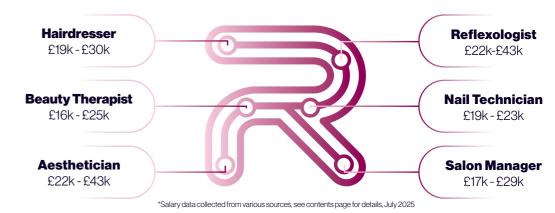
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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 2 GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English and/or maths
- 2 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English and/or maths
- 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and maths, and a relevant level 2 qualification



REAL CAREERS START WITH **REAL EXPERIENCES**



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Good communication skills
- Creativity
- Active listening
- Good interpersonal skills
- Excellent time management skills

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students visited Wella Head Office for a day of inspiration - learning colour theory, watching live demos, exploring competition styling, and gaining insider tips to stand out and shape their exciting careers.



Health and Social Care



The healthcare sector offers a wide range of opportunities, with around 650,000 new roles needed by 2035. As part of your course, you'll gain hands-on experience through placements in real healthcare settings - helping you develop practical skills and confidence for your next steps.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/health

Technical • Apprenticeships

ONE SUBJECT, FULL-TIME

Health, Social Care and **Early Years**

Health and Social Care

Adult Social Care

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- 4 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English and maths





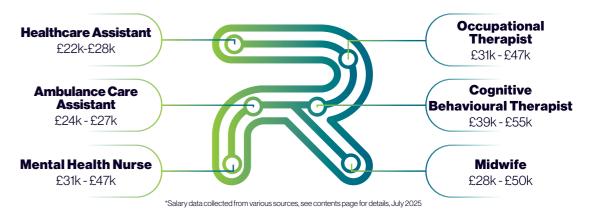
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REAL CAREERS START WITH **REAL EXPERIENCES**



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Excellent communication skills
- Empathetic and patient nature
- Ability to work calmly under pressure
- Good listening skills
- Resilience

INDUSTRY LINKS





STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students explored careers in Healthcare and STEM at our Skills Show, joining pratical sessions with Medical Mavericks and The Scouse Scientist, alongside, gaining insight into NHS roles, science pathways, and future opportunities.



Performing Arts

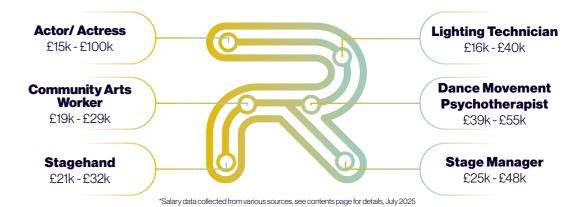




We have an incredible partnership with Shakespeare North Playhouse, which provides unique opportunities for you to experience the venue as a creative professional. Whether you are on stage performing, behind-the-scenes working on sound and lighting, or creating your very own script, you will be challenge and trained to compete with the very best in the industry.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/performingarts

REAL CAREERS START WITH **REAL EXPERIENCES**



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Creativity and confidence
- Good communication skills
- Can collaborate with others
- Self-motivated and disciplined
- Resilience

INDUSTRY LINKS



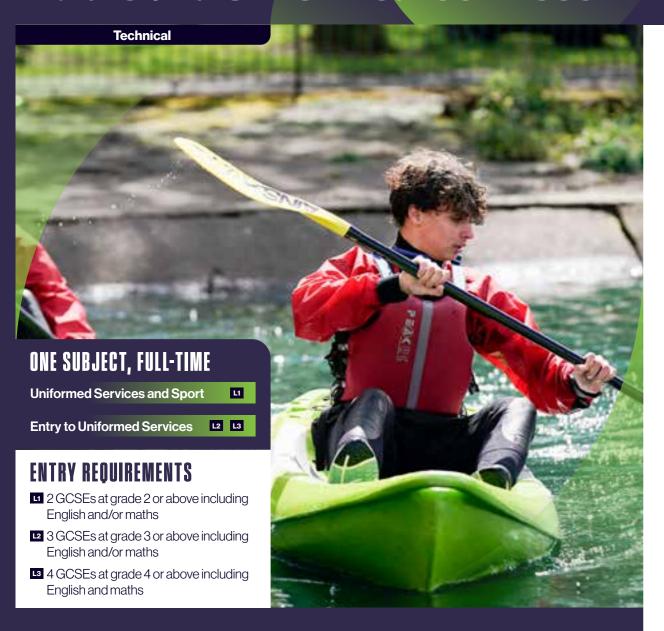


STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students engaged with acclaimed artist Larry Achiampong, who shared his multidisciplinary practice in film, sound, and performance, exploring culture, class, identity, and advocating for artist rights and representation.



Public and Uniformed Services

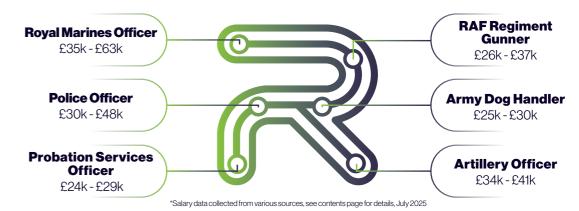




Whether you are in our state-of-the-art gym improving your physical fitness, climbing a mountain in Wales to learn navigation and team leading skills, or taking part in training with the armed services and protective forces - our tutors will prepare you mentally and physically to enter the service of your choice.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/uniformed

REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Good level of physical fitness
- Good communication skills
- Can work calmly under pressure
- Good problem-solving skills
- Can work independently and in a team

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students had the opportunity to spend the day aboard the iconic HMS Prince of Wales. They explored the ship on a guided tour, discovering its cutting-edge technology and learning about the vital roles it plays in national defence.





ROSE

Aspiring POLICE SERGEANT



I've absolutely loved my course, it's given me a solid foundation for joining the police. It's been tough physically, but that's helped me get ready for the job. Volunteering with the LFC Foundation, being an #IWill ambassador, and a Police Cadet has really boosted my confidence and passion for helping others.



Joined us from: Alsop High School

Course: Level 2 Entry to Uniformed Services

Career: Aspiring Police Sergeant

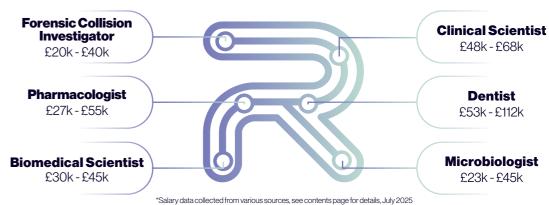


Science

Studying science can lead to many exciting careers in an industry full of innovation. Working in our fully equipped laboratories and learning from tutors who have years of experience working in various settings such as commercial laboratories, microbiology and analytical research, you can expect lots of handson work, conducting experiments!

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/science

REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Good technical skills
- Excellent time management skills
- Attention to detail
- Critical thinking
- Strong problem-solving skills

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Students were recently inspired by The Scouse Scientist, who shared her journey from a working-class background to Oxford University, encouraging belief in potential, regardless of background or academic pathway.





Sports and Fitness

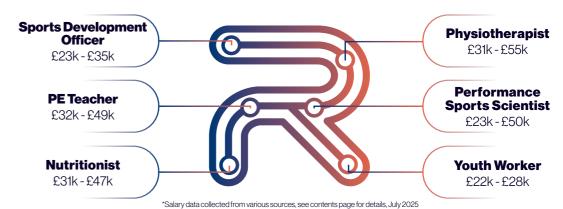


Sport is a collaborative industry that creates a powerful platform to inspire and bring about lasting positive change for individuals and communities. Your classroom will be our state-of-the-art gym, sports hall and outdoor pitches and courts, not to mention plenty of opportunities to take part in adventurous activities. We even have our own football team!

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/sport



REAL CAREERS START WITH **REAL EXPERIENCES**



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Good level of physical fitness
- Good interpersonal skills
- Can work independently and part of a team
- Strong communication skills

INDUSTRY LINKS





STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Former student, Sara, returned to inspire Sports students! She shared her journey from working in the NHS to supporting Team GB, highlighting the value of work experience, networking, and embracing new opportunities.





Aspiring
PE TEACHER

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I've always loved coaching, so this course was perfect for me. The tutors were incredibly supportive, and I learnt so much during my placement at Hope Primary School, helping with PE sessions. It's helped me grow personally and professionally, giving me the confidence and skills I need to progress to university and become a PE Teacher.

Joined us from: Chulmleigh College, Devon
Course: Level 3 Sport
University: Physical Education at Liverpool John Moores
University



Travel and Tourism



Discover a world of opportunities with roles that allow you to indulge in your passion for travel and adventure, whilst creating memorable experiences for others. Our courses are jam-packed with exciting trips, work placements and industry-based training – you even have your own professional uniform, which meets the standards expected in industry.

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/travel



REAL CAREERS START WITH REAL EXPERIENCES



KEY SKILLS YOU WILL NEED

- Active listening
- Excellent communication skills.
- Adaptability and flexibility
- Cultural awareness
- Enthusiastic and friendly disposition

INDUSTRY LINKS







STUDENT EXPERIENCE

Travel and Tourism students explored career pathways at TUI Warrington Superstore, gaining first-hand insight into the Travel Adviser role and the skills needed for success in the fast-paced travel industry.





An Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) is a formal legal document that outlines long-term individual support needs across education, health and care. It is issued by your Local Education Authority (LEA) to children and young people up to the age of 25.

If you have received additional support in school and have an EHCP in place, the College will need a copy of your current and recently reviewed EHCP (within the last 12 months).

You should contact your local authority to request that your EHCP is sent to College as soon as you apply.

Please note: this is not the same as general support you may have received in school, such as help from a teacher or teaching assistant with classwork.

The College cannot fully process your application until we have received your EHCP from your local authority. Once we receive it, we will carry out an assessment to determine whether we can meet your needs and will let you know the outcome.

If you're unsure whether you have an EHCP, please contact your local authority or school SEN Coordinator before completing your application form, as this may cause delays.

How to Apply to Knowsley Community College

Research Your Options

After having a look through this prospectus, you'll start getting a feel of what you might like to do after school. Check out www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk for further details about our technical courses, T Levels and apprenticeships.

Attend an Open Event

You'll get to explore our facilities, meet tutors and students, and discover what college life is all about! Join us at one of our Open Events:

- Wednesday 8th October 2025 5pm | 7pm
- Wednesday 19th November 2025 5pm | 7pm
- Wednesday 11th February 2026 5pm | 7pm

Submit Your Application

You've done your research and have hopefully had the chance to visit us in person, so now it's time to submit your application. It's quick and easy - all you need to do is visit:

www.knowsleycollege.ac.uk/apply
We encourage you to do this before December.

Applicant Evening

Once your application has been processed you will be invited to an Applicant Evening on **Monday 23rd March 2026**. This event is a chance for you to find out more about your chosen course, and have a go at course related activities.

Keeping in Touch

We'll be keeping in touch throughout the year, sharing updates about all the exciting events happening at the College. Don't forget to follow us on our social's so you don't miss out on all the latest College news!

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Experience Day

Join us on **Tuesday 30th June 2026** to celebrate the start of summer and to get ready for college life in September! You'll meet your future classmates, and find out what kit and equipment you might need. There's also lots of fun activities and free food!

Enrol with Us

Once you've collected your GCSE results, come into college on **Thursday 20th August 2026** to enrol and secure your place. You'll also be able to get information on financial support and help with English and maths. **Places are limited, so we recommend enrolling as early as possible.**

Click the QR code to apply!





OPEN EVENTS

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