# Discover passion, discover talent

# Courses for School Leavers 2018/19

Matthew Boulton College Sutton Coldfield College James Watt College Stourbridge College Kidderminster Academy



# WELCOME

Welcome to BMet. We have a range of courses for you if you are looking to study at one of our colleges across Birmingham and the Black Country. With courses on offer at Matthew Boulton College, Sutton Coldfield College, James Watt College, Stourbridge College and Kidderminster Academy – there's a college close to you where you will find first-class facilities and learning opportunities.

This is the full-time prospectus aimed at you if you are 16-19 years old. We offer courses at every level from entry to higher education, so we are sure we have the right pathway to help you achieve your career goals. Take a look at what we have to offer and come and visit us at one of our Open Events, where you can talk to our tutors, get advice on the support we offer including finance and student welfare and apply to join us. We look forward to seeing you.

## **OPEN EVENTS**

Join us at one of our Open Events. They take place at Matthew Boulton College, Sutton Coldfield College, James Watt College, Stourbridge College as well as our Kidderminster Academy, Art & Design Centre: Brierley Hill, Birmingham Botanical Gardens and Erdington Skills Centre.

Saturday 7 October 2017 10am-1pm Wednesday 8 November 2017 4pm-7pm\* Saturday 25 November 2017 10am-1pm Saturday 13 January 2018 10am-1pm Wednesday 25 April 2018 4pm-7pm Saturday 16 June 2018 10am-1pm

\* Excludes Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

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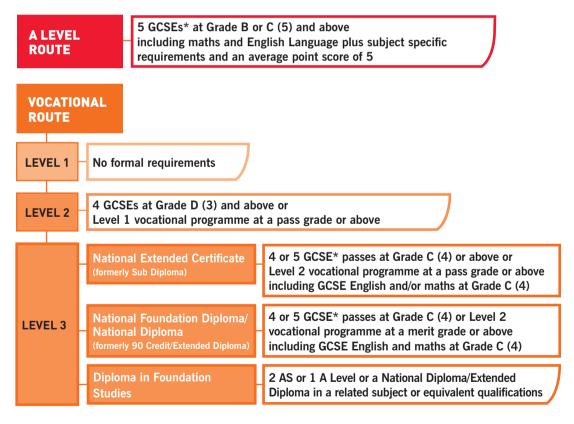
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# **OPTIONS**

## CHOOSING A COURSE THAT IS RIGHT FOR YOU

We offer a range of courses at a level that is right for you. The typical entry criteria are shown below, although your chosen course may have specific requirements. If you are unsure about the level of study that will best fit your skills and experience, please talk to one of our Student Services Advisors or come to one of our Open Events.



\*Some subject areas require you to have specific GCSE grades in areas such as science, business, AAT Accounting and PE. See our website further details.

# **PROGRAMME OF STUDY**

Studying with us means much more than just gaining a qualification in your chosen subject area. Our programmes of study are designed to provide you with the skills that are essential for employment or progression to a higher-level course.

### Vocational Qualification

Every programme of study has a core aim. This is the main qualification and is linked to a vocational subject area or a range of A Levels. Vocational qualifications involve a mix of practical and theoretical study that will develop specific skills and understanding linked to that particular field and will prepare you for further/higher education or employment. An A Level programme constitutes the academic study of a combination subjects that again will prepare you for further/higher education or employment.

### English & Maths

English and maths skills are central to all aspects of life, work and study. Continuing to develop these skills is essential to helping you progress on your course and into work, further training or higher education.

Developing your English and maths skills is a vital part of your programme of study at BMet, if you haven't already achieved an A\*- C or 9-4 grade in English and maths you will be required to work towards this by studying GCSE or Functional Skills. If you have achieved these grades you will continue to develop these skills further. Qualifications in these subjects:

- are valued by employers and all education providers
- support you to get a job or progress to higher level courses / university
- help you develop skills which will be useful in your everyday life.

### Employability and Study Skills

Your programme of study will also include opportunities to develop your employability and study skills in a way that meets your needs, interests and ambitions and the needs of the industry in which you want a career. This may include work experience, project work and expert speakers from industry as well as support to improve your ability to study should you wish to progress to university at some stage in your life.

### Enrichment

Your programme will include extra-curricular activities designed to develop your skills, experience and confidence. This includes activities such as tutorials, social clubs and societies, events, competitions, volunteering and sport.



# **SUPPORT**

### Advice and Support

Our trained Student Services Team can provide a whole range of information to help you make the right choice about your studies and get any additional support you might need. If you are struggling to decide on a future career path why not book a Career Interview before you choose your course of study. This will help you focus on your future goals and the steps you need to take to achieve them.

# Careers Advice and Guidance

We offer help with university applications, CV preparation and interview practice as well as guiding you through the maze of job applications and choosing your ideal career. We also have links with many top employers and can help you find work experience placements, organise visits to employers and help you to find internships.

# If you have additional learning needs

We have excellent facilities and resources to support our students including a helpful team of specialist support staff. Whether you are dyslexic, have mobility access requirements or any other support needs we are here to help.

# If you are deaf or visually impaired

We have interpreters, note takers and in many instances can offer one-to-one support for students with learning or study needs. Our Visual Impairment Support Service offers adapted course materials, assistive software and personal learning support.

# Free bus passes\* for qualifying students

Take advantage of amazing facilities, the best tutors, great success rates and a FREE

bus pass for 16-18 year olds studying at Stourbridge and James Watt Colleges. The pass will give you unlimited bus travel across the West Midlands\*\*, which you can use not only to get to college but also to visit your friends at weekends and much more. All our sites are on major bus routes so there's no excuse to be late or miss a class.

Passes are also available at our Sutton and Matthew Boulton Colleges, through our Discretionary Bursary\*\*\*\* fund see below for further details.

Passes are awarded termly. You must be 16-18 years old and studying a full time course to qualify for your first pass.

The College will renew your pass if you maintain a good attendance record\*\*\*. Your pass can be claimed after enrolment when you start your course.



### **Financial Support**

We want to make sure that everyone is able to study regardless of their financial position. If you join us on a course we have a range of support packages aimed to take the stress out of study.

If you are aged 16 years and over you can apply to the College's Discretionary Bursary Fund\*\*\*\* for assistance with a number of course-related expenses including travel, equipment and the costs of studying in general. The level of support will depend on your individual circumstances.

### Students aged 19+

We know that coming back to study after a gap can be daunting and we want to support you every step of the way. So, if you are over 19 or if you are in receipt of means tested benefits we want to help. We know that transport can be expensive so, if you are travelling to college for 2 days or more a week, we give you a travel award each term and if that's not enough we may also be able to pay your course fees and give you up to 50% off your equipment costs.

For courses at Level 3 and above, applicants aged 19 or older on the first day of the course may be able to apply for an Advanced Learner Loan to pay for your course fees.

#### Visit bmet.ac.uk to find out more about financial support for students aged 19+

### Advanced Learner Loan Bursary

Available for students 19+ studying Level 3 and above further education courses in receipt of a loan for course fees.

If you are on a low income we can help with travel, childcare

and equipment for your course. See Student Services for further details.

Please note that the financial support packages above are not available for those studying university level courses.

\*\*\* We will tell you when you enrol what the minimum attendance requirement is \*\*\*\* Eligibility for the Discretionary Bursary required

<sup>\*</sup> Terms and conditions apply \*\* Monetary value equivalent for those living outside of the West Midlands region

# **COLLEGE LIFE**

# HOW TO APPLY TO STUDY WITH US

- 1 Apply online through the College website www.bmet. ac.uk. There is always help available if you are unsure how to fill in the online application form.
- 2 An acknowledgment email will be sent to confirm we have received your application.
- 3 You will be invited for an interview within two weeks. Please contact us to let us know if the date is unsuitable.
- 4 Details of what to expect at your interview and FAQs about applications can be viewed on our website in the How to Apply area.
- 5 You will receive a text and email reminder of your interview appointment 24 hours in advance. Please ensure that you let us know if you are unable to attend.
- 6 Parents/Guardians will receive details of interview appointments along with a parents' guide to the application/interview process.

- 7 If you apply after 1st July 2018 you will be invited in at the end of August for an interview, so apply as early as you can.
- 8 When you accept a place to study with us you will receive monthly updates about activities and events taking place at the college. In addition, in early summer, you will receive an invitation to attend a College Taster Event where you will have the opportunity to meet your tutors, fellow students and get to know more about your college and the course you will be studying.
- 9 During July/August, you will receive an invitation to attend college on or after results day to complete your enrolment. When you enrol, you will receive your timetable and details of your personal tutor ready for the start of your course in September.

## GETTING THE MOST FROM COLLEGE LIFE

### Sport

We are one of the leading FE Colleges in terms of sporting success, with teams regularly achieving recognition in regional and national competitions. We were even named College of the Year by British Colleges Sport (BCS) and the Association of Colleges (AoC) for our fantastic achievements in 2012/13.

Each of our colleges has a state of the art fitness and exercise suite available FREE to all students. This is staffed by fully trained professionals who can design programmes to help you get fit and stay fit.

### Sports Academy

Our Sports Academy runs alongside your main course of study, whether that is an academic or a vocational pathway. There are 18 sports in the core Sports Academy programme, with each sport having a specific training programme and schedule. The Sports Academy has developed links with many local senior clubs and the sports specific national governing bodies. This provides excellent pathways into increasing sports participation, coaching, leadership and volunteering opportunities.

In addition to playing sport, an academy member will also have access to workshops offering specialist advice on nutrition, fitness training, sports psychology, personal management and career planning. There will also be access to support for injuries and to sports massage for all Academy students, especially for those who require rehabilitation and bespoke recovery programmes.

The major sports in our Academy programme (men's and women's programme unless specified) are:

- > Athletics & Cross-Country
- > Basketball
- > Rugby Union (\*men only)
- > Football
- > Golf
- > Cricket
- > Netball (\*women only)
- Hockey
- > Swimming
- > Cycling
- > Table Tennis
- > Triathlon

We also offer the following sports at CLUB Level to allow for some development if this is your specialist sport but also a more centred approach on participation in that sport:

- Volleyball
- Badminton
- Table Tennis
- Cycling

We will also support students who are involved in the following sports (but not limited to):

- > Judo
- Trampoline, Gymnastics and Artistic Sports
- > Tennis
- > Watersports

### Enrichment

We offer a wide range of enrichment activities including trips and visits both for fun and to help you with your studies. There are gigs and performances across all of our colleges and regular charity fundraising activities. We have dedicated student Enrichment Officers whose job is to make sure your time at college is exciting and gives you lots of experiences outside of the classroom or workshop including volunteering opportunities or invites to hear a range of guest speakers, who can motivate your minds.

### Student Ambassadors

The College encourages learner involvement in all aspects of college life. One of the ways you can get involved is by becoming a Learner Representative for your course and sharing the views of your fellow students with Heads of Colleges. You can also become a Campus Committee representative.

### Student Voice

The College has lots of ways for you to have your say about things you like and things you would like to see changed. Every year we take part in the BIG Teaching and Learning Survey and all the results are shared with students. We also conduct a number of focus groups where we ask for your views on things like how best our Library Service can support you.

Throughout the year we have a range of touch points where you can have your say in person, by phone or by social media and your voice will make change happen. These include formal meetings where your Student Voice Representatives, from departments and from each college meet with their Head of College to share feedback. You can also informally feedback views through your Personal Tutor and through your Enrichment Officer.

# **SUCCESS**

## **EVERYTHING YOU NEED FOR SUCCESS**

### A safe environment

Everyone needs a safe environment in which to study, that's why we are committed to making sure you are kept safe from harm, such as bullying or abuse. If you are in an unsafe situation either at home or at College we're here to support you and involve people who can help. We have dedicated Safeguarding Staff at each college who are always available to talk to you whatever your concern.

### Mentors and Pastoral Care

As one of our students, you will have access to mentoring support, to get you back on track if you are struggling with your studies. You will also have a designated Personal Tutor, who you will meet regularly to support your academic and personal development. Your Personal Tutor will:

- Monitor your attendance and punctuality across all subjects
- Monitor your progress and help you set SMART targets
- Have one-to-one meetings with you to discuss how you are progressing on your course and what support you may need to help you achieve
- Liaise with subject tutors to track your progress in each unit and organise additional support should you require it
- Conduct themed group tutorials
- Disseminate course and college information
- Support you if you need careers advice, are applying for jobs or making an application to higher education or for apprenticeships
- Be the link between home and college; be there to talk to parents / guardians / employers
- Refer you to Student Services if you need financial support.

### Library & Learning Resources

Each site has a state of the art Library and Learning Resource Centre with an expert team to provide specialist subject knowledge and help with general enquiries. All centres have an impressive array of facilities, including access to thousands of online periodicals, e-books and learning resources. Equipped with computers for personal study we also have dedicated group study spaces. Our Metro Centres provide additional assistance for anyone who needs a bit of extra help or specialist support - for example with English and maths skills. You can attend on a weekly basis or just drop in from time to time.



# PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

# **WORKING WITH US**

The start of college life is an exciting time for our learners. By choosing to study with us your child is opening up a wealth of opportunities for their future lives and careers. Students are much more likely to be successful in their studies if an effective partnership exists between them, their tutors and their parents or guardians.

### How you can help your child succeed

Before they apply, come and see what we have to offer, our colleges are spread throughout the Midlands and have a unique feel, one will suit their needs and be located close to where you and your family live. Our Open Events take place throughout the year and are a great way to experience the College and get a feel of college life. We strongly encourage parents to attend Open Events with their son or daughter. There are students and teachers on hand to chat about everything from classes and course content to getting the bus. In short, it's the ideal way to discover what the College has to offer your son or daughter. Once at college we will keep you informed every step of the way, we do this through:

- Individual Tutors. Your son or daughter will be assigned an individual tutor who will monitor their progress, set targets and keep them on track throughout their course. They will be there to help with both academic and personal matters and also offer a programme of study related to wider life skills. These include health, money, further study and keeping safe, so your children are in safe hands throughout their time at the College.
- Student Progress Reports. Issued twice a year, at the end of November and at the end of March, the reports aim to keep you up-to-date with your son or daughter's academic performance and progress.
- Parents' Consultation Evenings. This is the best way to find out how your son or daughter is doing at college. You will have the opportunity to discuss their work, performance and progress with tutors and teaching staff.



To find out more or to apply visit our website: bmet.ac.uk



# **REASONS TO STUDY AT BMet**

### 1 Partnership and employer links

We have connections with some of the world's leading companies and partnerships with leading universities to help you secure your future.

### 2 Developing your employability skills

Our students are equipped with the skills and expertise that employers demand enabling you to develop your CV and compete in the highly competitive jobs market.

### 3 Lots of courses to choose from

We offer the widest choice of courses in the Midlands. At BMet, we have a dedicated team of Careers Advisers who can give you the advice, information and support you need to choose the right course and to achieve your career goals.

### 4 Clubs and societies

We are one of the leading FE Colleges in terms of sporting success and offer a wide range of sporting opportunities. We also offer a wide range of enrichment activities including trips and visits both for fun and to help you with your studies. There are gigs and performances across all of our colleges and regular charity fundraising activities.

### 5 Academic standards

Excellent pass rates in many areas pf provision with an overall pass rate 97% for A Levels. Ofsted inspectors found we had good teaching, learning and assessment across all of our apprenticeship provision.

# 6 Student bursaries and financial support

At BMet we want to make sure that everyone is able to study regardless of their financial position. If you join us on a full or part-time course we have a range of support packages aimed to take the stress out of study including:

- > Free travel support
- > Free trips & visits
- > Free course materials (books, equipment)
- > Free childcare
- Free support for UCAS fees & visits to universities
- > Free meals for 16-18's

terms and conditions apply

We're here to help you every step of the way so come and see what we have on offer to help you succeed.

### 7 Excellent facilities

We've invested an incredible £20 million in redeveloping or refurbishing our sites both in Birmingham and in the Black Country, improving facilities and providing state of the art work spaces and classrooms for students and staff. As a BMet student you have access and can benefit from the facilities at all of our colleges in the area.

### 8 Student voice

Students are at the heart of our college and your voice matters to us. Throughout the year we have a range of opportunities where you can have your say to help us create an even better BMet.

### 9 Learn from experts

Our staff are industry experts with the skills and expertise to help you develop the skills employers value.

### 10 Pastoral support

At BMet we want to support and empower you to be independent, inspired and challenged to develop both personally and academically. Through personal tutors, mentors, safeguarders, careers advisors, our student services team and all of our staff and tutors, we are committed to ensuring you make the most of your time with us.



# LIFE AFTER COLLEGE

## PREPARING YOU FOR LIFE AFTER COLLEGE

We're committed to enhancing the employability of all our students to enable them to compete and flourish in a competitive, fast-moving knowledgebased economy.

Your course will help you to develop a wide range of employability skills. In addition there are many enrichment opportunities available to help you to develop your skills further. This includes:

- > Educational visits
- > External speakers
- > University master classes
- > Volunteering opportunities
- Community service projects
- > Mentoring opportunities

## CAREER COLLEGES

Thinking about a career in Professional Services or Creative & Digital Industries? Career Colleges could be the answer.

Career Colleges increase the range and choice of vocational courses for 16-19 year olds. This unique and innovative model of education helps address the growing skills gap in the UK.

Career Colleges have carefully designed programmes, which incorporate academic study with highly practical vocational and technical education designed to equip you with the skills to enter a career in a particular industry.

The curriculum of each Career College is designed by employers, for employment. You'll get involved in industry projects with live briefs and develop enterprise and communication skills to prepare you for work and life.

See page 24 for Creative & Digital and page 30 for Professional Services.

# DISCOVER THE GRADUATE IN YOU

# ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

If you are 19 or over and think you've missed the opportunity to go to university, then Access to Higher Education could be for you. These are qualifications which prepare people without traditional qualifications for study at university.

Join over 42,000 students across the country in studying for an Access to Higher Education qualification. These courses are perfect for you if:

- You don't have the necessary qualifications to go to university
- > You have been out of education for a while
- You need to develop your study skills and build your confidence.

Access to HE attracts a diverse range of students, and there's no upper-age limit.

### **Higher Education**

We offer over 40 university level courses at BMet so once you've completed your Level 3 or Access to Higher Education course, you can stay with us to gain your higher qualification. We offer BSC (Hons), Higher National Diplomas (HNDs), Higher National Certificates (HNCs) and Foundation Degrees. Staying with us means you study in small friendly groups, close to home, family and friends. What's more, we're determined that you will graduate with the skills and knowledge you need to find employment.

### **Our Facilities**

We have a wide range of subjects on offer, meaning you can start specialising in your chosen career path straight away whilst topping up your study skills and English and maths qualifications, vital for a place at university.

We offer the following Access to Higher Education Courses:

- > Business Access to HE
- > Law & Criminology Access to HE
- > Information Technology Access to HE
- > Engineering & Technology Access to HE
- > Health & Social Care Access to HE
- > Social Science Access to HE
- > Science Access to HE
- > Sport Access to HE
- > Education Pathways Access to HE

### Support

If you're 19 or over and thinking of returning to study but concerned about costs then we can help. The government gives the college a fund to help those in most financial need with the cost of study. There are two types of bursaries:

### 19+ Bursary Advanced Learning Loans Bursary

If you are eligible for this support you may be entitled to the following.

- > Course fees contribution\*
- \*SFA Funded Courses only
- \*Not available in conjunction with Advanced Learning Loans

### Bursary

- > Travel Support
- > Trips & Visits contribution
- Course materials (books, equipment), printing credits
- > Support towards childcare costs
- UCAS registration fees & visits to universities

### Advanced Learning Loans

These government-backed loans are available to help learners aged 19 and over pay their course costs for eligible courses at Levels 3 to 6. It's easy to apply, your household income isn't taken into account and there is no credit check. You won't have to pay anything back until your income is over £21,000 a year.

What's more if you take out a loan for an Access to Higher Education course and then go on to complete a Higher Education course you will have your loan for the Access course written off.

Speak to our Student Services team for more details.



# **APPRENTICESHIPS**

What better way to start working life than gaining qualifications and experience at the same time? Apprenticeships offer you the chance to develop the skills and confidence needed in today's working world, skills that will be useful throughout your working life. Find out what Apprenticeships are all about, what they can do for you and how to become an apprentice.

Eight great reasons to become an apprentice:

- Gain qualifications
- > Earn while you learn
- > Job specific skills
- > Gain real experience
- > Route to university
- > Build your confidence
- Lots of options
- > Great prospects.

# WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP

If you are the kind of person who wants to learn through practical experience and enjoys a challenge then an Apprenticeship will get you where you want to go and pay you while you do it.

As an apprentice you will become an employee of an organisation where you will be treated like any other employee. You will learn skills that are useful in life like team working, communication and time management, as well as skills related to specific jobs like hairdressing or bricklaying.

### When do I attend?

You will either be in work for four days a week and in college one day or work five days a week and an apprenticeship assessor will come to you in the workplace.

### What will I do?

During your Apprenticeship you will gain a range of qualifications that will set you on the right track:

- A diploma in a specific subject area – we have over 40 to choose from
- A technical certificate this checks your understanding of the skills you need to use at work
- Functional Skills qualifications (maths, English and IT) depending on your framework and prior achievement
- Employers rights and responsibilities – where you learn about the law and employment.

The best part is that you get all this and get paid, earning in excess of  $\pounds 120$  per week.

(Apprentices earn an average of  $\pounds170$  per week.)

# What entry qualifications do I need?

The level of qualifications vary according to what level of Apprenticeship you wish to study and what requirements the employer has. As a guide, you will need:

- Intermediate Level 2
   2 4 GCSEs or Level 1
   Diploma
- Advanced Level 3
   5 GCSEs or a Level 2 Diploma

Most employers require you to have good English and maths skills and may require you to continue your studies in these areas alongside your Apprenticeship.

### Support

BMet operates a travel support discount scheme\* for apprentices in conjunction with National Express and college funded bursaries.

\*Terms and conditions apply. See your local Student Services team for more details.

## GET INTO EMPLOYMENT

Apprenticeships on offer at BMet:

- Assistant Accountant
- Barbering
- > Beauty
- > Bricklaying
- > Business Administration
- Business Administration for Legal Secretaries
- > Carpentry
- Childcare and Early Years
- Cleaning and Support Services
- Consumer Electrical and Electronic Products Servicing
- Creative Digital Media
- Customer Service
- > Dental Nursing
- > Design
- > Engineering
- > Exercise & Fitness
- > Facilities Management
- > Gas
- > Hairdressing
- > Health & Social Care
- > Horticulture
- > Hospitality Services
- > Installation Electrician
- IT, Software, Web & Telecoms Professionals
- > Management
- > Marketing
- Motor Vehicle
- > Paralegal
- > Pharmacy
- > Plumbing and Heating
- > Retail
- Schools & Teaching Learning Support Assistant
- > Team Leader / Supervisor

If you feel you're not quite ready for an Apprenticeship or employment then our Get Into Employment programme offers you a great step in the right direction. You need to be aged 16-24, not in a job and have a Level 1 gualification to take part. On the programme you will complete work preparation training, work experience, learn about CV writing and improve your English and maths, putting you in a great position to start an Apprenticeship or gain employment afterwards. There are a number of subjects on offer and they are growing all the time. We currently offer:

- > Get Into Barbering
- > Get Into Beauty Consultancy
- Get into Business
   Administration
- > Get into Construction
- > Get Into Dental Nursing
- > Get Into Dental Technology
- Get Into Football Coaching & Fitness
- > Get Into Horticulture
- Get Into Hospitality
- Get Into Digital Computing Industry
- > Get Into Marketing
- > Get Into Motor Vehicle
- > Get Into Pharmacy
- > Get Into Retail





# Matthew Boulton College Jennens Road, Birmingham City Centre

Matthew Boulton College is our city centre location, just a few minutes' walk from Moor Street and New Street railway stations, with bus stops located right outside the main entrance. The College is in the heart of the Learning Quarter, neighbours with Aston University and is close to the developments in Eastside and to Digbeth's Custard Factory.

Matthew Boulton College boasts four specialist academies: Greater Birmingham Professional Services Academy and Creative and Digital Academy (both of which include our Career Colleges provision – see page 17 for more information), Science and Allied Health Academy and Horticulture and Conservation Academy delivered from Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

The College is an eight-storey building with zoned areas and specialist facilities which enable our students to display their work, either through exhibitions in photography, graphics or fashion, host events like the Big Bang event for science or engineering; develop their skills to become programmers and digital designers of the future, demonstrate their entrepreneurial skills, gain practical hands on experience in dental, podiatry and allied health professions and refine their music skills to become top of the bill at Glastonbury in the future.



Matthew Boulton College

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# CREATIVE AND DIGITAL ACADEMY

Our Creative and Digital Academy is based at our Matthew Boulton College and is ideal for anyone looking for a career within the creative or digital sector in industries that include: film, TV, radio, computer games, publishing, programming, software development, cyber security, advertising, music, performance/visual arts, design and cultural heritage

Working in partnership with local SMEs and global giants from across the sector our unique programmes are designed to inspire you to develop rewarding and enjoyable careers within this important growth sector.

We work with our employer partners to:

- Introduce you to new environments and cultures helping to increase your knowledge and understanding of career paths and opportunities available to you
- Connect you to the local diverse business community, allowing students to access knowledge and opportunities
- Encourage and motivate you to achieve your dreams and potential.

The Creative and Digital Academy will provide you with the unique experience of combining your academic study programme with industry experience and connections giving you a real insight and understanding into how the sector works.

Students will go on to develop careers or even start their own businesses working within a variety of

specialisms such as graphic design, IT, programming, networking, cyber security, robotics, virtual and augmented reality broadcasting, advertising, marketing, website development, fashion, gaming and many more!

### What are the benefits?

Students in the Creative and Digital Academy will have the opportunity to take part in:

- Workshops from business leaders within our partner organisations to help expand your knowledge and awareness
- A mentor programme providing students with guidance and support from people already working within the sector
- A range of visits to the Academy's partner organisations, to gain an insight into how they operate
- > Work experience opportunities
- Opportunities to participate in a variety of live projects and briefs with key industry firms.

# **ART & DESIGN**

## WHY STUDY ART & DESIGN AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

The creative sector continues to grow at more than twice the rate of other industries, providing a great range of career opportunities. Our art & design courses are accredited by the prestigious UALAB (University of the Arts London Awarding Body), we've state-of-art studios based at Millennium Point that contain Mac labs and exhibition space and what's more you'll get to work on live projects for real clients providing you with genuine industry experience and a portfolio of work to show to prospective employers.

### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.





### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Animators | Exhibition Designers | Fine Artists | Graphic Designers | Illustrators Printmakers | Production Designers | Fashion Designers | Textile Designers and Many More

## COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT

## WHY STUDY COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

Up-to-date skills and knowledge in computer science, gaming, cyber security, virtual reality and augmented reality are in greater demand than ever. Our software expertise will enhance the knowledge you gain and ensure you're using cutting edge technology during your studies with us. Our stateof-the-art labs and workrooms at Matthew Boulton College ensure you'll be using the latest technology and as well as covering the technical side, our courses will provide you with a better awareness of IT within the wider community; looking at rights and responsibilities, telecommunications and health and safety.

### **Entry Requirements**

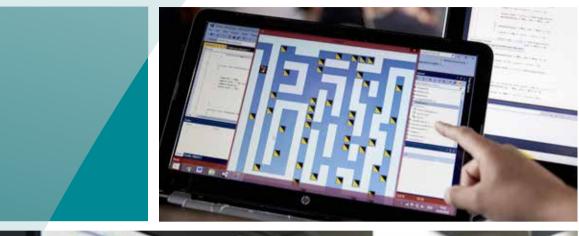
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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Computer Science (Cyber Security and Software Development) Diploma			•
Information Technology (Digital Solutions) Diploma			
IT Technical Diploma			
IT, Software, Web & Telecoms Professionals Apprenticeship	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Database Administrators | Technical Support Staff | Programmers | App Designers Computer Game Developers | Multimedia Designers | Systems Developers Web Designers and Many More





# **FASHION & RETAIL**

## WHY STUDY FASHION & RETAIL AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

A number of our courses are accredited by the prestigious UALAB (University of the Arts London Awarding Body) and our fashion labs at Millennium Point attract hundreds of learners eager to be inspired by the vibrant setting, collaborative projects and exciting visits and activities. You'll get to increase your confidence and experience with practical projects such as organising an 'on location' photoshoot, an end of year show, producing a magazine, creating a catwalk event or running a pop up shop.

### **Entry Requirements**

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Fashion & Retail Diploma			

### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Fashion Designers | Tailors | Production Managers | Stylists | Buyers Marketing/Brand Managers | Merchandisers and Many More

# MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

## WHY STUDY MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

We have our own broadcast studios, record label and performing arts academy which will help you gain the necessary skills and experience as an aspiring artist or technician. Matthew Boulton College is the home of Forerunner Records the hub from which our music performance and technology students get to write, record, perform and release their material. Bands and artists on the label perform regularly at venues in and around Birmingham.

## Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Music Performance Diploma			
Music Production Diploma			



### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Writers | Directors | Producers | Technicians | Music Arrangers | Editors Sound Engineers | Stage Managers | Backing Vocalists | Booking Agents Box Office Managers | Choreographers and Many More

# GREATER BIRMINGHAM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES ACADEMY

Matthew Boulton College is the headquarters for our Greater Birmingham Professional Services Academy. As the UK's first business and professional services academy we work with leading sector brands including: BNP Paribas Personal Finance, Deloitte, Deutsche Bank, GVA, Gateley PLC, KPMG, Lloyds Bank and Wesleyan, to provide you with the opportunity to gain real work experience and develop long term employment skills within the professional sector.

### What are the benefits?

- Workshops from business leaders within our partner organisations and workshops to help expand your business knowledge and awareness
- A mentor programme where all students receive one-to-one guidance and support from professionals in the sector
- A range of visits to the Academy's partner businesses, to gain an insight into how they are shaping the professional services sector
- Opportunity for membership of Birmingham Aspire – a network of young professionals aged 16-24 who are considering a career in Professional Services
- > Work experience opportunities

# BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

## WHY STUDY BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

The business and professional services sector is a large area of growth within the Birmingham region; our strong links with firms across the sector provides you with the opportunity to learn more about growing and developing your career within this thriving industry. Many of our learners go on to secure engaging and exciting careers within the sector whether it's working in accounting, banking, financial services, property, law, human resources or marketing if you've an interest in business there will be something of interest to you in the Business & Professional Services Academy.

### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
AAT Certificate in Accounting			
AAT Accounting Diploma			
Business & Law Diploma			
Business Administration Diploma			
Business Extended Certificate			
Business Introductory Diploma			
Business Diploma			
Business National Foundation Diploma			
Legal Studies Diploma			
Professional Services Diploma Careers College			
Paralegal Apprenticeship	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Bankers | Business Analysts | Insurance Brokers | Lawyers | Legal Executives Human Resource Practitioners | Marketing and Communication Practitioners | Property Specialists and Many More

# SCIENCE AND ALLIED HEALTH ACADEMY

Conveniently located in the vibrant learning quarter in Birmingham City Centre, Matthew Boulton College is home to our Science & Allied Health Academy. Through the doors of our City Centre College is an impressive state of the art learning facility equipped with virtual and physical laboratories, our working podiatry clinic and a dental technology centre of excellence. In addition to our impressive facilities the Academy provides learners with the opportunity to connect with a diverse range of employers across the sector and benefit from an enriched learning experience that includes project based learning, industry experienced tutors and real work experience.

The science and health sector is a constantly growing one both regionally and nationally with the NHS alone employing more than 1.5 million people and a shortage of 20,000 nursing staff and 3,500 midwives. Qualified scientists are constantly in-demand and opportunities in the dental, podiatry and other allied professions continue to grow. Our courses are employer-led, addressing the regional and national skills gap which means there'll be more opportunities for employment postqualification.

Our Science & Allied Health Academy offers a range of pathways dependant on career aspirations whilst also providing learners with the opportunity to move between pathways giving flexibility as they develop their knowledge and skills.

### What are the benefits?

Students in the Science & Allied Health Academy will have the opportunity to take part in:

- Access to brand new state-of-the-art science laboratories
- Specialist facilities for allied health professions such as our working podiatry clinic and the Straumann Centre of Excellence for Dental Technology
- Enriched learning opportunities that include project based learning and virtual reality
- Specialist tutors with a wealth of industry experience
- Real work experience thanks to our partnerships with local NHS trusts, nurseries and care homes
- Progression opportunities to degree level study with us or at university
- The College is a regional STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Centre for the West Midlands. This means we host and participate in many events that promote the study of these subjects at GCSE level and beyond.

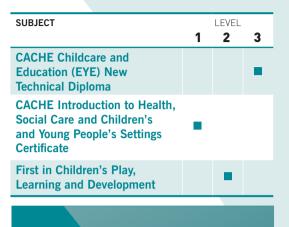
# **CHILDCARE & EARLY YEARS**

## WHY STUDY CHILDCARE & EARLY YEARS AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

The childcare and early years sector is worth £5.57 billion in the UK and there is a constant demand for high quality care professionals. More and more people with children require childcare services so the industry is growing all the time. We offer a range of childcare courses from Level 1 to Level 3 and childcare apprenticeships all of which lead to careers in primary school teaching or nursery/early years settings.

### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.





### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Parent Partnerships Workers | Inclusion Support Workers School or Nursery Managers and Many More



# DENTAL

## WHY STUDY DENTAL AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

Our Straumann Centre of Excellence at Matthew Boulton College is a cutting edge facility that demonstrates the innovative software solutions that are shaping the industry. We have strong links with Birmingham Dental Hospital, Health Education West Midlands and a wide range of dental practices, other education providers and dental professional bodies that will enhance your industry knowledge and the professional roles you can progress on to.

### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Dental Technology Diploma			
Dental Laboratory Assistant	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		
Dental Nursing			

### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Dental Technicians | Dental Assistants | Dental Hygienists Material and Equipment Sales and Many More

# **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE**

## WHY STUDY HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

Promoting a healthy lifestyle, caring for the elderly and infirm and becoming a medical practitioner are arguably some of the most fulfilling career paths a person could pursue. Studying to join the health, medical and care profession means understanding the theory behind physiology and anatomy and being aware of government initiatives and healthcare policies relating to patient and client care.

### **Entry Requirements**

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
CACHE Introduction to Health, Social Care and Children's and Young People's Settings Certificate	-		
Health & Social Care Certificate			
Health & Social Care Diploma			



### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Nurses | Midwives | Physiotherapists | Dieticians and Many More

# **SCIENCE & MEDICAL**

## WHY STUDY SCIENCE & MEDICAL AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

If you want to develop your analytical and research skills, are interested in discovering new trends and patterns or are looking for a broader way of understanding the world, then studying science at Matthew Boulton College can offer you all this and a whole lot more. We have exceptional laboratories for the teaching of biology, chemistry and physics and what's more we're the regional STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Centre for the West Midlands. This means we host and participate in many events that promote the study of these subjects at GCSE level and beyond.

### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL		
	1	2	3	
Applied Science Certificate				
Applied Science Diploma				
Health and Science Award				
Health Science				
Pharmacy	are of	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Astronomers | Biologists | Meteorologists | Ecologists | Researchers Forensic Scientists | Biomedical Scientists | Clinical Biochemists Radiologists | Microbiologists | Paramedics and Many More



## ENGINEERING

## WHY STUDY ENGINEERING AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

Engineering is at the heart of car making, food manufacturing and the preservation of energy resources among many other things. Engineering UK reports that an estimated 2 million more people will be working in engineering over the next 5 - 10years. We have CAD and autocad software to equip you with the ability to produce drawings of the highest standard for architectural and engineering development and we've partnerships with Jaguar Land Rover, Caterpillar and BMW which means industry insight and support, as well as engineering and manufacturing Apprenticeships with some of the world's largest employers.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Electronic Engineering Diploma	•		•
Consumer Electrical and Electronic Product Servicing	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Aeronautical Engineers CAD Technicians Software Developers Telecommunication Specialists Building Inspectors Construction Managers Design Consultants Safety Officers and Many More

## **FOUNDATION LEARNING**

## WHY STUDY FOUNDATION LEARNING AT MATTHEW BOULTON COLLEGE?

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#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	ENT	'RY LE	LEVEL LEVEL	
	1	2	3	1
ESOL 16-18				
Vocational Studies (Entrance to Success)				
Vocational Studies (Bridge to Success)				•

#### Career opportunities

Most of our students go on to study Level 1, 2 and 3 qualifications in a wide variety of subject areas.

## **Birmingham Botanical Gardens** Westbourne Road, Edgbaston

In the beautiful surroundings of the Botanical Gardens, you will find our Horticulture and Conservation Academy which gives you a real sense of what it's like working in the great outdoors. Working alongside experts you will be out and about whatever the weather. We are the only college in the city offering qualifications in conservation, countryside, environmental studies, horticulture and floristry and our classes are taught by experts who still work in the sector across the region.

Students studying at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens can also access the facilities at all of our sites including Matthew Boulton College.



## HORTICULTURE & CONSERVATION ACADEMY

Uniquely located at the prestigious Birmingham Botanical Gardens, our Horticulture and Conservation Academy offers a range of courses for learners who are looking to develop their horticulture and conservation skills. With access to a live working environment and a course offer that equips learners with the skills employers require, our Horticulture & Conservation Academy is ideal for those who are seeking employment in a range of occupations including horticulturalist floristry, green keeping, landscaping and environmental management.

#### What are the benefits?

Students in the Horticulture & Conservation Academy will have the opportunity to take part in:

- Guest lectures from industry experts and workshops to help expand your knowledge of the sector
- A mentor programme where students receive one-to-one guidance and support from professionals in the sector
- A range of visits to the Academy's partner organisations to gain an insight into their profession
- Real work experience and access to a live working environment



## HORTICULTURE & CONSERVATION

#### WHY STUDY HORTICULTURE & CONSERVATION AT BIRMINGHAM BOTANICAL GARDENS?

Our Horticultural Academy based at Birmingham Botanical Gardens specialises in providing qualifications in horticulture and conservation. You'll get to study in unique surroundings with 15 acres of landscaped gardens planted with roses, alpines, perennials, rare trees and shrubs. Courses are ideal for those looking for a career in horticulture, floristry and conservation related professions.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Arboriculture Diploma			
Countryside Management Diploma			•
Floristry Diploma			
Horticulture Diploma			
Landbased studies			
Arboriculture	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		
Horticulture			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Self-employed Horticulturalist | Landscapers | Production Horticulturalist Garden Centre Managers | Green Keeper | Grounds Man | Countryside Ranger Environmental Agency Roles | National Trust | Forestry Commission Estate Management | Foot Path Officer and Many More



## Sutton Coldfield College

Lichfield Road, Sutton Coldfield

Sutton Coldfield College is easily accessible from Birmingham City Centre and the surrounding area. The College is situated on Lichfield Road, just a five minute walk from the train station and the town centre, with bus stops located at the top of the driveway. The College has an open feel to it, with buildings dedicated to specialist teaching and learning environments, such as a nursery for early years courses, sports hall and gym for our award winning sports academies, the Outline Centre and exhibition space for art and design. The College has a new £168,000 custom built performing arts facility, Stage Studios, which contains four new studios and allows 150 students to develop skills in dance and choreography, drama, acting and theatre studies.

Sutton Coldfield College is also the centre for our ground breaking 'Collaboratory' with IBM. This is a space dedicated to future developments in computer science and use of IT across all aspects of life and employment. The dedicated 'lab' enables you to experience the future of IT both in a classroom and in the 'cloud', supporting you in college and outside.

Our wide range of specialist staff focus on preparing our students for the world of work and enhancing their personal statements to secure places at their preferred universities. We offer a range of vocational courses and A Levels that have excellent success stories. While studying it's important to keep your energy levels up so our Starbucks coffee shop and large canteen has plenty of healthy and tasty choices. There is also a wellequipped learning resource centre, where students can take advantage of free periods to catch up on coursework or revise.



Sutton Coldfield College

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## **A LEVELS**

## THE BMet SIXTH FORM EXPERIENCE

BMet understands that leaving school is a big step. At our Stourbridge College and Sutton Coldfield College sites we offer the sixth form experience with award winning facilities and an excellent record of academic achievement. We have a special ethos where everyone is encouraged and supported both academically and personally. We pride ourselves on not only preparing you for university study but also for the world of work. With more subjects on offer than any other college in the area and a package of extras, we know we have something for everyone.

#### 'A' Levels

You will study A Level subjects for two years and will be examined in them at the end of this period. AS subjects may be available for you to select, but these are now stand alone qualifications and do not contribute to the final A Level grade.

When you enrol on an A Level programme at BMet you will be asked to choose three different subjects which will be studied throughout the two-year course. A Levels at Sutton Coldfield College

- > AAT Accounting Diploma Level 3
- > Biology
- > Business
- > Chemistry
- > Drama and Theatre Studies
- > English Language & Literature
- > English Literature
- > Fine Art
- > History
- > Law
- Maths
- Media Studies
- > Philosophy
- > Physics

- > Psychology
- > Religious Studies
- Sociology

## **ART & DESIGN**

## WHY STUDY ART & DESIGN AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

It's a great time to get into the creative sector with growth at more than twice the rate of other industries. Our Art & Design courses are accredited by the prestigious UALAB (University of the Arts London Awarding Body) and we've state-of-art facilities at Sutton Coldfield College that include vast workshop spaces and studios to help you specialise in the disciplines of fine art, illustration and textiles. The UALAB Level 3 Art & Design Diploma allows you to specialise in your chosen pathway of 3D applied design, fashion and textiles or visual communication.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	1	LEVEL	
	1	2	3
UAL 3D Applied Design Diploma			•
UAL Art & Design Diploma			
UAL Art & Design Foundation Diploma			•
UAL Fashion & Textiles Diploma			•
UAL Theatre Arts, Film & TV Design Diploma			•
UAL Visual Communication Diploma			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Animators | Exhibition Designers | Fine Artists | Graphic Designers Illustrators | Printmakers | Production Designers | Fashion Designers Textile Designers and Many More

## BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

## WHY STUDY BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

Business and professional services are constantly growing and evolving providing a wealth of employment opportunities across different job sectors. Studying a business and professional course offers the opportunity to take a career role working in areas such as management, financial services, accounting, property, law, human resources or marketing and advertising. As part of your studies at Sutton Coldfield College you can have the opportunity to join the newly formed Sutton Coldfield Professional Development Academy (SCPDA) to improve your employability skills. Specific entry criteria may apply for some courses.

#### Entry Requirements

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SUBJECT	1	LEVEL 2	3
AAT Certificate in Accounting	•		5
AAT Accounting Diploma			
Business Administration Diploma			
Business Extended Diploma			
Business and Law Diploma			
<b>Business Extended Certificate</b>			
CILEX Legal Secretaries Certificate			•
CILEX Legal Secretaries Diploma			
Assistant Accountant		nticeshi	
<b>Business Administration</b>	are of varyin		
Business Administration for Legal Secretaries			
Customer Service			
Marketing			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Bankers | Business Analysts | Insurance Brokers | Stock Brokers Retailers | Barristers | Solicitors | Corporate Lawyers | Legal Executives and Many More

## CHILDCARE & EARLY YEARS

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
CACHE Childcare and Education (EYE) New Technical Diploma			
CACHE Introduction to Health, Social Care and Children's and Young People's Settings Certificate	•		
First in Children's Play, Learning and Development			
Childcare and Early Years	Appre		
Schools & Teaching Learning Support Assistant	are offered at varying levels		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Parent Partnerships Workers | Inclusion Support Workers School or Nursery Managers and Many More

## COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT

## WHY STUDY COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

Up-to-date skills and knowledge in computer science and ICT are in greater demand than ever. Our IBM Smarter Planet Collaboratory at Sutton Coldfield College, launched in February 2013, contains cloud-based social collaboration software which will enhance the knowledge you gain and ensure you're using cutting edge technology during your studies with us.

#### Entry Requirements

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Computer Science (Security and Software Development) Diploma			•
Information Technology (Digital Solutions) Diploma			
IT, Software, Web & Telecoms Professionals	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Database Administrators | Technical Support Staff | Programmers | App Designers Computer Game Developers | Multimedia Designers | Systems Developers Web Designers and Many More

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#### Aged 16-25? No qualifications? No experience? Do you want to improve your self-confidence?

You might want to join the Prince's Trust Team Programme – a 12 week course that can help you change your life and make a difference to others. Contact us for more information.

#### **Entry Requirements**

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#### Career opportunities

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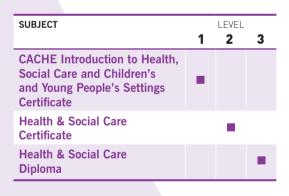
## **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE**

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#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.





#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Nurses | Midwives | Physiotherapists | Dieticians and Many More



## MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

## WHY STUDY MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

Our Performing Arts Academy based at Sutton Coldfield College has a growing reputation for excellence in the teaching of acting, dance and musical theatre; with many successful productions and performances being held at indoor and outdoor locations across the area.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Acting Diploma			
Dance Diploma			
Music Performance Diploma			
Musical Theatre Diploma			
Performing Arts Diploma			
UAL Interactive Media Production Diploma			•

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Writers | Directors | Producers | Technicians | Music Arrangers | Editors Sound Engineers | Stage Managers | Backing Vocalists | Booking Agents Box Office Managers | Choreographers and Many More

## **SCIENCE & MEDICAL**

## WHY STUDY SCIENCE & MEDICAL AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

Sutton Coldfield College boasts exceptional laboratories for the teaching of applied, forensic and medical science. We are also the regional STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Centre for the West Midlands. This means we host and participate in many events that promote the study of these subjects at GCSE level and beyond.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Applied Science Certificate			
Applied Science Diploma			



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Astronomers | Biologists | Meteorologists | Ecologists | Researchers Forensic Scientists | Biomedical Scientists | Clinical Biochemists | Radiologists Microbiologist | Paramedics and Many More

## SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCE

## WHY STUDY SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCE AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

Our BMet Sports Academy is well known for its individual and team sporting success. It has achieved regional and national sports honours in its numerous sports including athletes representing the home countries in international sports competitions. We have a proud tradition of performance, progression and success. Sutton Coldfield College's exceptional facilities were used by Western Samoa as a training base during the 2015 Rugby World Cup. Sports performance and excellence courses are delivered at Sutton Coldfield and with a number of university-level courses, you can even continue your studies at BMet to achieve a higher level qualification such as a Foundation Degree.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

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SUBJECT	_	LEVEL	_
	1	2	3
Activity Leadership in Sports Coaching & Development Certificate		•	
Birmingham Academy of Rugby			•
Boldmere St Michaels FC Foundation			•
Midland Academy of Golf			
Sport & Exercise Sciences Diploma			•
Sport Diploma			
Sport Extended Certificate			
Sport Leadership & Active Leisure Diploma			
Sutton Coldfield Town FC Foundation			•

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Sports Coaches | Sports Therapists | Physiotherapists | Personal Trainers Fitness Instructors | Gym Managers | PE Teachers and Many More

## **TRAVEL & TOURISM**

## WHY STUDY TRAVEL & TOURISM AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

Our travel and tourism qualifications will give you the knowledge and skills required to pursue careers in tour operations, accommodation, promotion, hospitality and event planning. The Airline Cabin Room at Sutton Coldfield College gives you a real taste of the airline industry with passenger seating areas and aisles, plus in flight essentials such as beverage menus and oxygen masks. Students will also gain a variety of experience at UK airports as part of their course.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Aviation Operations Extended Diploma			•
Travel & Tourism Diploma			
Travel & Tourism Extended Certificate			•



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Airline Cabin Crew | Business Travel Advisors | Travel Agents Tourism and Visitor Information Officers and Many More





## UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICES

## WHY STUDY UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICES AT SUTTON COLDFIELD COLLEGE?

Our courses can prepare you for a career within the armed forces, police, fire, ambulance, navy, RAF, prison, security or immigration services. You'll get to visit army barracks, RAF bases and training grounds so that you can develop a better understanding of what it means to represent the uniformed services. Physical fitness is very important in many of these roles, along with good communication, team working and problem solving skills and our superb sports facilities at Sutton Coldfield College will help you to train and build your physical strength and fitness.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Uniformed Service Diploma			
Uniformed Services Extended Certificate			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Police Officers | Military Personnel | RAF Personnel Emergency Services Personnel and Many More



## James Watt College

Aldridge Road, Great Barr

Sitting on the Aldridge Road, right on the 997 bus route through north Birmingham, James Watt College has recently had a £4.5 million major refurbishment so that it can offer an even better learning environment in which you can develop your skills. The College features a fullyequipped, professional quality TV studio, beauty salon, gym, media suite, Sustainable Technologies Centre and construction workshops.

The Sustainable Technologies Centre will allow students to learn how to install, maintain and service a wider range of new green technologies. The new centre will include the following technologies: Solar Thermal, Solar Photovoltaic, Ground and Air Source Heat Pumps, Combined Heat and Power and brand new technologies not currently available in the UK.

In addition to its impressive facilities, it is a centre of excellence for work-based training. If the College could be summed up in four words it would be: 'let's go to work'. The gas and electrical engineering workshops are the envy of many commercial operations and the expertise of the teaching staff means students emerge from the courses with the skills, experience and knowledge to go to work the next day. The College also incorporates the Samsung Digital Appliance Academy; this incorporates the latest White Goods Technology and the digital connected home. While studying it's important to keep your energy levels up so our Costa coffee shop and large canteen has plenty of healthy and tasty choices. There is also a well-equipped learning resource centre, where students can take advantage of free periods to catch up on coursework or revise.



James Watt College

## **BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL**

## WHY STUDY BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

Business and professional services continue to grow and evolve within Birmingham and the Black Country. Studying business offers the opportunity to take a career role working in areas such as management, financial services, property, law, human resources or marketing and advertising. Specific entry criteria may apply for some courses.

#### **Entry Requirements**

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SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Accounts Diploma			
Business Diploma			
Business Extended Certificate			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Bankers | Business Analysts | Insurance Brokers | Stock Brokers | Retailers Barristers | Solicitors | Corporate Lawyers | Legal Executives and Many More

## CHILDCARE & EARLY YEARS

#### WHY STUDY CHILDCARE AND EARLY YEARS AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

The childcare and early years sector is worth £5.57 billion in the UK and there is a constant demand for high quality care professionals. More and more people with children require childcare services so the industry is growing all the time. We offer a range of childcare courses from Level 1 to Level 3 and childcare apprenticeships all of which lead to careers in primary school teaching or nursery/early years settings.

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
CACHE Childcare and Education (EYE) New Technical Diploma			•
CACHE Introduction to Health, Social Care and Children's and Young People's Settings Certificate	•		
First in Children's Play, Learning and Development		•	

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Parent Partnerships Workers Inclusion Support Workers School or Nursery Managers and Many More



## COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT

## WHY STUDY COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE

As part of our exciting Rail Academy offer we are pleased to offer computing courses tailored to support this booming area in line with the skills needed for the new HR2 development.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
IT Technical (Network Digital Solutions) Diploma			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Database Administrators | Technical Support Staff | Programmers | App Designers Computer Game Developers | Multimedia Designers | Systems Developers Web Designers and Many More

## CONSTRUCTION & SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES

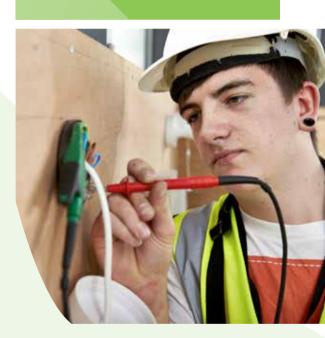
### WHY STUDY CONSTRUCTION & SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

The building trade is soaring – with over 200,000 construction jobs set to be created in the next five years, according to the Construction Industry Training Board. At James Watt College you can learn traditional trades such as plumbing and electrical techniques taught in our Baxi Innovation Academy - one of the UK's leading facilities for the teaching of construction - and develop skills in sustainability, renewable energies and green technologies in our recently built Sustainability Centre.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL			
	1	2	3	
Electrical Installation Diploma				
Plumbing Diploma				
Installation Electrician	Apprenticeships			
Gas	are offered at varying levels			
Plumbing and Heating				



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Electricians | Plumbers | Construction Managers | Gas Engineers and Many More



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

### Aeronautical Engineers | CAD Technician | Software Developers Telecommunications Specialists | Design Consultants | Safety Officers and Many More

## ENGINEERING

## WHY STUDY ENGINEERING AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

A report by Engineering UK estimates that more than 2 million more people will be working in engineering over the next 5 - 10 years. James Watt College is home to state of the art engineering workshop suites that include the latest CNC manual and machine tools. CAD and autocad software is available to equip you with the ability to produce drawings of the highest standard for architectural and engineering development.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Engineering Diploma			
Engineering Technologies Diploma			
Performing Engineeering Operations Certificate			
Consumer Electrical & Electronic Products Servicing	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		
Engineering		5	

## **FASHION & RETAIL**

## WHY STUDY FASHION & RETAIL AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

Careers in retail form two strands – on the front line you can go into production, buying, marketing and branding and distribution and logistics. Retail support functions include market research, HR, finance and merchandising as well as online trading. If the creative side is what you prefer then your skills and experience can take you into designing, tailoring, visual presentation/styling and production management. Our courses equip you with the skills that employers require. You'll get to increase your confidence and experience with practical projects such as organising an 'on location' photoshoot, an end of year show, producing a magazine, creating a catwalk event or running a pop up shop.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Fashion & Retail Diploma			
Cleaning and Support Services	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		
Facilities Management			



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Fashion Designers | Tailors | Production Managers | Stylists | Buyers Marketing/Brand Managers | Merchandisers and Many More

## **FOUNDATION LEARNING**

## WHY STUDY FOUNDATION LEARNING AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

Foundation learning is the name given to courses at Entry Level to Level 1 and is a great opportunity for you to continue your education at your own pace. We offer personalised programmes all aimed at your needs, with lots of support so you can get the most out of your course. Courses are bite sized to keep you interested, motivated and inspired and the experience will give you a new love of learning you thought you may never have.

#### Aged 16-25? No qualifications? No experience? Do you want to improve your self-confidence?

You might want to join the Prince's Trust Team Programme – a 12 week course that can help you change your life and make a difference to others. Contact us for more information.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.



#### Career opportunities

Most of our students go on to study Level 1, 2 and 3 qualifications in a wide variety of subject areas.

## HAIR, BEAUTY & BARBERING

## WHY STUDY HAIR, BEAUTY & BARBERING AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

If you like being creative, enjoy working with others and want to help people look and feel their best then you should consider studying Hair, Beauty & Complementary Therapies at James Watt. We have specialist facilities where you can develop your skills. You can even deliver treatments to members of the public in our Aura Salon and Spa.

#### **Entry Requirements**

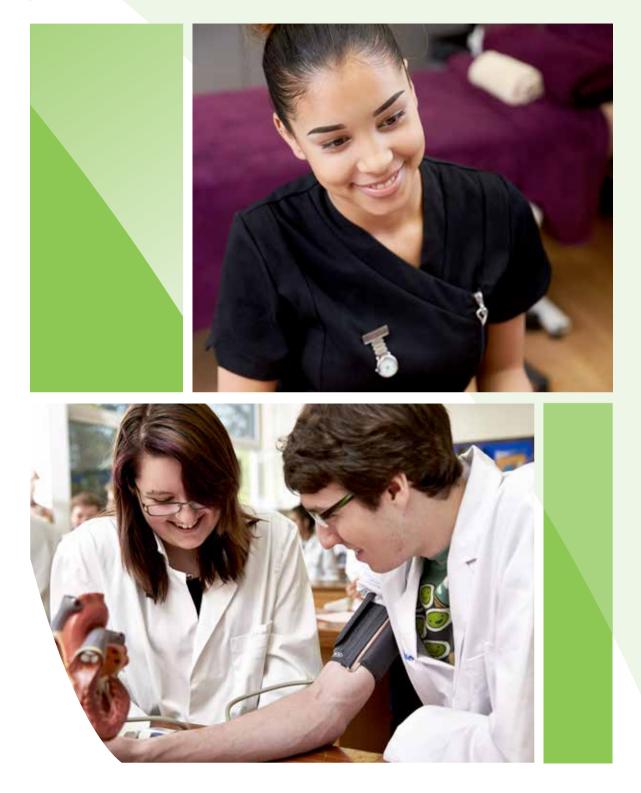
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SUBJECT			
	1	2	3
Beauty Diploma			
Hair & Beauty Diploma			
Men's Hairdressing Diploma			
Women's Hairdressing Diploma			
Barbering	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		
Beauty			
Hairdressing			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Stylists | Beauty Therapists | Spa Practitioners | Make-up Artists and Many More



## **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE**

## WHY STUDY HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

Promoting a healthy lifestyle, caring for the elderly and infirm and becoming a medical practitioner are arguably some of the most fulfilling career paths a person could pursue. Studying to join the health, medical and care profession means understanding the theory behind physiology and anatomy and being aware of government initiatives and healthcare policies relating to patient and client care.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Nurses | Midwives | Physiotherapists | Dieticians and Many More



## MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

# WHY STUDY MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

James Watt College specialises in media production and games design and covers a wide range of digital and creative media areas such as film, television, animation, games design, radio, print, web and social media. All of our courses are accredited by the prestigious UALAB (University of the Arts London Awarding Body) ensuring you an interview at any UALAB course at universities around the country.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	1	LEVEL 2	3
UAL Digital Art & Design Diploma			
UAL Games Design Diploma			
UAL Interactive Media Production Diploma		•	•
Creative Digital Media	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

TV, Film and Radio Producers | Technicians | Directors | Games Designers | Web Designers | Interactive Media Designers and Many More

## SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCE

## WHY STUDY SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCE AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

If you enjoy sport and fitness then why not develop your interest into an exciting lifelong career. You could end up a personal trainer, PE teacher or sports coach. James Watt College boasts excellent facilities including a brand new gym.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Physical Activity Fitness & Exercise Science Diploma			
Exercise and Fitness	Appre are of varyir		





#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Sports Coaches | Sports Therapists | Physiotherapists | Personal Trainers Fitness Instructors | Gym Managers | PE Teachers and Many More



## TRAVEL & TOURISM

## WHY STUDY TRAVEL & TOURISM AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

Our travel and tourism qualifications will give you the knowledge and skills required to pursue careers in tour operations, accommodation, promotion, hospitality and event planning. We also work with Birmingham Airport to deliver our Aviation Operations Diploma with students training at the airport facilities one day per week.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Travel & Tourism Diploma			
Travel & Tourism Extended Certificate			

Career opportunities Our students go on to become:

Airline Cabin Crew | Business Travel Advisors | Travel Agents | Tourism and Visitor Information Officers and Many More

## UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICES

## WHY STUDY UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICES AT JAMES WATT COLLEGE?

Our courses can prepare you for a career within the armed forces, police, fire, ambulance, navy, RAF, prison, security or immigration services. You'll get to visit army barracks, RAF bases and training grounds so that you can develop a better understanding of what it means to represent the uniformed services. Physical fitness is very important in many of these roles, along with good communication, team working and problem solving skills and our superb gym facilities at James Watt College will help you to train and build your physical strength and fitness.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Uniformed Services Diploma			



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Police Officers | Military Personnel | RAF Personnel Emergency Services Personnel and Many More



## **Erdington Skills Centre** Edwards Road, Erdington

The Erdington Skills Centre currently offers a range of Level 1 and 2 construction courses.

The Skills Centre has had a major investment in the last year and now offers purpose built facilities including classrooms and workshops which have been specifically designed to house training rooms for all of the construction trades including painting and decorating, plastering, carpentry and joinery and electrical as well as general training rooms with increased access to technology.



## Erdington Skills Centre part of BMet

## CONSTRUCTION & SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES

## WHY STUDY CONSTRUCTION & SUSTAINABLE TECHNOLOGIES AT ERDINGTON SKILLS CENTRE?

Thanks to a £4 million redevelopment our new Erdington Skills Centre boasts brand new, purpose built classrooms and workshops where you can learn traditional trades such as bricklaying, plumbing, carpentry, plastering and electrical techniques. According to the Construction Industry Training Board there will be over 200,000 jobs created in the building trade over the next five years so there's no better time to learn the skills needed to join the construction industry.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL			
	1	2	3	
Bricklaying Diploma				
Carpentry & Joinery Diploma				
Multi-skills Diploma				
Bricklaying	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels			
Carpentry				
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#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Bricklayers | Plasterers | Carpenters | Electricians | Plumbers Construction Managers and Many More



## **Stourbridge College** Hagley Road, Stourbridge

Stourbridge College has a main site on Hagley Road in Stourbridge Town Centre in the Black Country and a specialist site in Brierley Hill (Art and Design Centre) offering a wide range of vocational, academic and Apprenticeship courses for people of all ages.

In Autumn 2016 we opened the doors to our newly refurbished £1.5 million Construction Centre. This provides state-of-the-art learning facilities in the fields of carpentry and joinery, plumbing, gas and electrical installation, and the built environment, which includes construction management and surveying. This completes an exciting £6.5 million pound refurbishment of the facilities at Stourbridge College. Students are already benefitting from a new reception area as well as meeting spaces, brand new classrooms and a new Centre of Excellence for Early Years, Health & Social Care and IT.

The redevelopment complements a recent  $\pounds 1$  million investment in a new engineering block, refurbished science laboratories, a new refectory and a modern, state of the art learning resources centre equipped with the latest technology to help students study and learn.

Stourbridge College is ideally located and is in walking distance of Stourbridge Town Centre, the Stourbridge bus interchange and main railway station, Stourbridge Junction.

The College is very popular for students looking to study Level 3 qualifications and move on to university because of the high success rates achieved by our learners, as well as for those looking to learn a vocation and go straight into the world of work. Our focus is to treat every student as an individual to maximise their potential.



Stourbridge College

## **A LEVELS**

## THE BMet SIXTH FORM EXPERIENCE

BMet understands that leaving school is a big step. At our Stourbridge College and Sutton Coldfield College sites we offer the sixth form experience with award winning facilities and an excellent record of academic achievement. We have a special ethos where everyone is encouraged and supported both academically and personally. We pride ourselves on not only preparing you for university study but also for the world of work. With more subjects on offer than any other college in the area and a package of extras, we know we have something for everyone.

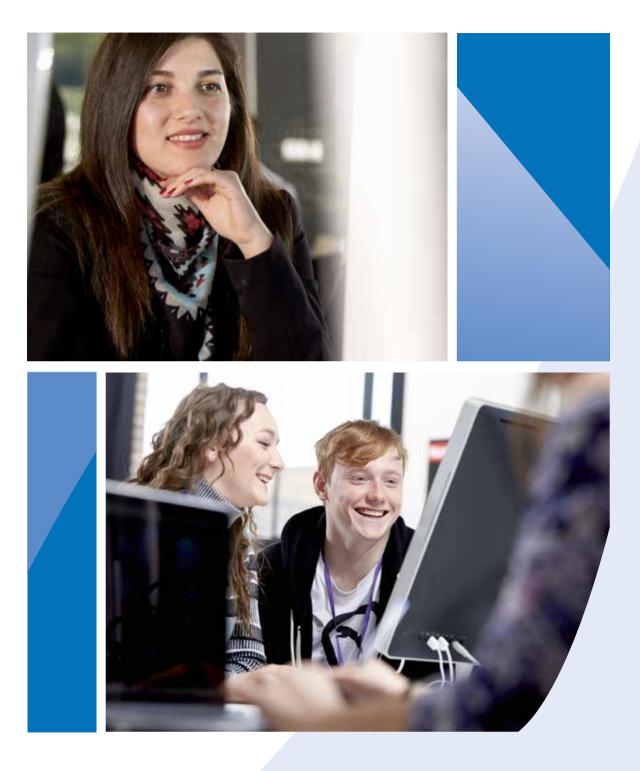
#### 'A' Levels

You will study A Level subjects for two years and will be examined in them at the end of this period. AS subjects may be available for you to select, but these are now stand alone qualifications and do not contribute to the final A Level grade.

When you enrol on an A Level programme at BMet you will be asked to choose three different subjects which will be studied throughout the two year course. A Levels at Stourbridge College

- > AAT Accounting Diploma Level 3
- Business
- Computing
- Criminology Certificate
- English Language & Literature
- > English Literature
- > Fine Art\*
- Graphic Design\*
- > History
- > Law
- > Maths
- Media Studies
- > Photography\*
- > Psychology
- Sociology
- Sport Extended Certificate
- > Textile Design\*

\*delivered at the Art and Design Centre



## BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

# WHY STUDY BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

Taking courses in business, accounting and law can equip you with the knowledge and skills required to really make a difference to today's society. We have fantastic links with employers so you'll have the opportunity to put business principles into practice and benefit from the expertise of some the area's leading business professionals. The Academy offers guru lectures and workshops, business visits and networking, mentoring with professionals and work placement experiences and internships. What's more you can be part of the Greater Birmingham Professional Services Academy, located at our Matthew Boulton College, providing you with access to the city's professional and financial firms to ensure you are ready to work for leading businesses. Specific entry criteria may apply for some courses

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Business Administration Diploma			
Business Diploma			
Business and IT Diploma			
<b>Business Extended Certificate</b>			
Customer Service	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Bankers | Business Analysts | Insurance Brokers | Stock Brokers | Retailers Barristers | Solicitors | Corporate Lawyers | Legal Executives | Marketers and Many More

## CHILDCARE & EARLY YEARS

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The childcare and early years sector is worth £5.57 billion in the UK and there is a constant demand for high quality care professionals. More and more people with children require childcare services so the industry is growing all the time. We offer a range of childcare courses from Level 1 to Level 3 and childcare apprenticeships all of which lead to careers in primary school teaching or nursery/early years settings.

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
CACHE Childcare and Education (EYE) New Technical Diploma			•
CACHE Introduction to Health, Social Care and Children's and Young People's Settings Certificate	•		
First in Children's Play, Learning and Development		•	
Childcare and Early Years	Apprenticeships		
Schools & Teaching Learning Support Assistant	are of varyin		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Parent Partnerships Workers | Inclusion Support Workers School or Nursery Managers and Many More



## COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT

## WHY STUDY COMPUTER SCIENCE & ICT AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

Up-to-date skills and knowledge in computer science, gaming, cyber security, virtual reality and augmented reality are in greater demand than ever. Our software expertise will enhance the knowledge you gain and ensure you're using cutting edge technology during your studies with us.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Computer Science Diploma			
Information Technology Diploma			
IT, Software, Web & Telecoms Professionals	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Database Administrators | Technical Support Staff | Programmers | App Designers Computer Game Developers | Multimedia Designers | Systems Developers Web Designers and Many More

## **CONSTRUCTION** & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

## WHY STUDY CONSTRUCTION & THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

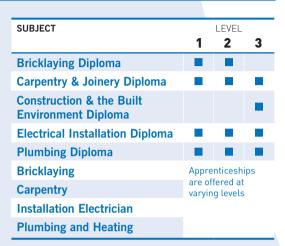
In Autumn 2016 our newly refurbished £1.5 million Construction Centre opened at Stourbridge College.

The Construction Centre provides state-of-the-art learning facilities in the fields of carpentry and joinery, plumbing, gas and electrical installation, and the built environment, which includes construction management and surveying.

This investment allows us to increase our fulltime student places to 350 - plus additional apprenticeships – and provides a purpose designed Centre of Excellence for you to study in.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.





#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Carpenters | Electricians | Plumbers | Construction Managers and Many More

## **FOUNDATION LEARNING**

## WHY STUDY FOUNDATION LEARNING AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

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#### **Entry Requirements**

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SUBJECT	ENT	RY LE	LEVEL	
	1	2	3	1
Introduction to Catering				

#### Career opportunities

Most of our students go on to study Level 1, 2 and 3 qualifications in a wide variety of subject areas.



## **HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE**

## WHY STUDY HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

This is one of the largest occupational sectors, providing work for just under two million people and is set to grow further over the coming years. In response to this growing demand we have invested £6.5 million at Stourbridge College and as part of this investment have opened a new Centre of Excellence for Health & Social Care. These courses are extremely popular amongst school leavers as well as adults returning to study to enhance their career opportunities.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Nurses | Midwives | Physiotherapists | Dieticians | Parent Partnerships Workers Inclusion Support Workers | School or Nursery Managers and Many More

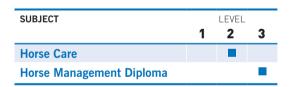
## **HORSE CARE**

## WHY STUDY HORSE CARE AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

If you are interested in a career working with horses, our equine courses will give you a taste of the industry. We have teamed up with a local equestrian centre in Hartlebury, to deliver the practical elements of the course to give you the skills and experience you need for a successful career. Alongside this, students complete work placements at equestrian centres across the West Midlands.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.





#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Jockeys | Stable Hands | Trainers | Grooms | Stud Managers Riding Instructors | Breeders | Equine Physiotherapists and Many More



## MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

## WHY STUDY MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

Our exciting music course provide you with all of the essential expertise and industry experience you need to improve your confidence and technical ability within the field, leaving you with strong career prospects for specific roles you want to pursue. Stourbridge College is a Centre of Excellence for Creative Industries and students have access to recently refurbished music facilities including a recording studio, staged performing area, rehearsal rooms and both Mac and PC music production classrooms.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Music Performance Diploma			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Writers | Directors | Producers | Technicians | Music | Arrangers | Editors Sound Engineers | Stage Managers | Backing Vocalists | Booking Agents Box Office Managers | Choreographers and Many More

## **MOTOR VEHICLE**

## WHY STUDY MOTOR VEHICLE AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

Vehicles are becoming increasingly complex with technology such as electric/hybrid vehicles and autonomous driving become more common. Properly maintaining vehicles requires professional servicing and repair by skilled people who are not only able to carry out mechanical repairs to a high standard, but also able to solve complex electrical problems and meet the needs of a rapidly developing industry.

Our specialist motor vehicle workshops at Stourbridge College provide industry standard facilities alongside expert tutors to help you develop the wide range of skills required to progress and excel in this competitive trade or to progress into higher education.

#### **Entry Requirements**

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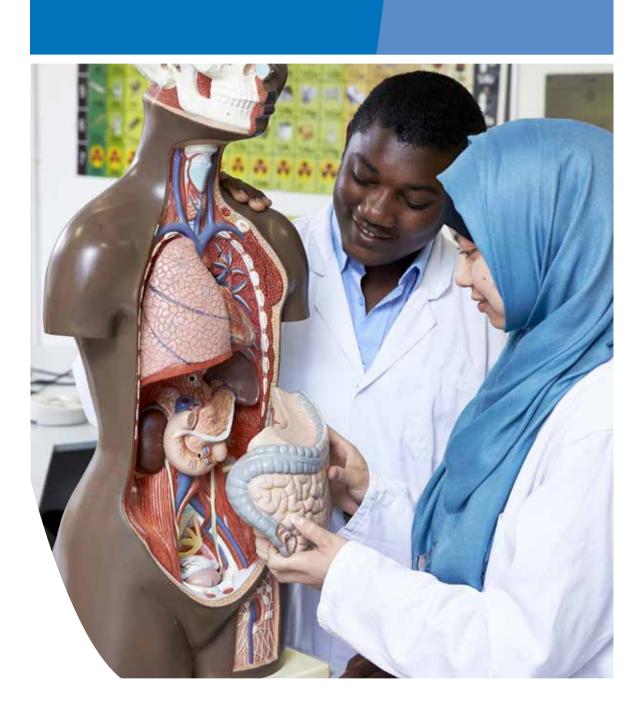
SUBJECT		LEVEL		
	1	2	3	
Motor Vehicle Diploma				
Motor Vehicle	are of	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Mechanics | Motorcycle Technicians | Motorcycle Parts Advisor Service Engineers | Body Repairers | Engine Reconditioners and Many More



## **SCIENCE & MEDICAL**

## WHY STUDY SCIENCE & MEDICAL AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

Science lets us observe and draw upon our understanding of the physical and natural world, enabling us to make exciting new discoveries and apply this knowledge in various ways. Our exceptional facilities will help you grasp the basics and specialise in scientific study which can lead to fascinating careers in so many different areas. We're the regional STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Centre for the West Midlands. This means we host and participate in many events that promote the study of these subjects at GCSE level and beyond.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL		
	1	2	3	
Applied Science Certificate				
Applied Science Diploma				
Dental Nursing	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Astronomers | Biologists | Meteorologists | Ecologists | Researchers Forensic Scientists | Biomedical Scientists | Clinical Biochemists | Radiologists Microbiologists | Paramedics and Many More

## SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCES

## WHY STUDY SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCES AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

We have excellent facilities at Stourbridge College including a well-equipped gym and access to a range of local facilities at our Centre of Sporting Excellence (CoSE) which is based on the outskirts of Kidderminster at Brinton's Field. The facilities include six football pitches, two rugby pitches, a 'trophy' pitch, a golf driving range and a strength and conditioning gym spread over 40 acres of land.

We also have use of partner community sports facilities including local golf, boxing and rugby clubs and the playing fields are used by Kidderminster Harriers Football Academy. Our unique partnerships mean that students study for sport related academic courses as well as developing their sporting skills with professional, qualified and experienced coaches across all academies with the opportunity to take part in local, regional and national competitions.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Sport Diploma			
Sport Coaching Development & Fitness Diploma			
Sport Leadership & Active Leisure Diploma	•		



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Sports Coaches | Sports Therapists | Physiotherapists | Personal Trainers Fitness Instructors | Gym Managers | PE Teachers and Many More

## UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICE

## WHY STUDY UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICES AT STOURBRIDGE COLLEGE?

If you want to do something worthwhile, where you face new and challenging situations on a daily basis, then a career in the army of public services could be for you. This sector offers a variety of roles with the army alone having more than 200 individual jobs.

On our courses, you'll get to visit army barracks, RAF bases and training grounds so that you can develop a better understanding of what it means to represent the uniformed services and to prepare you well for your first role. Physical fitness is very important in many of these roles, along with good communication, team working and problem solving skills and our superb sports facilities will help you to train and build your physical strength and fitness.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Uniformed Service Diploma			
Uniformed Service Extended Certificate			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Police Officers | Military Personnel | RAF Personnel Emergency Services Personnel and Many More

## Art & Design Centre Venture Way, Brierley Hill

The Art & Design Centre is on the doorstep of the Merry Hill Centre and Brierley Hill Town Centre so is convenient for bus links and shops as well as great markets.

The fantastic new £12million building is home to state of the art studios, workshops and facilities including an iMac Suite, an Art Shop selling a range of materials, sketch books, paint brushes, card and paper and gallery exhibition space on two floors.



## **A LEVELS**

## THE BMet SIXTH FORM EXPERIENCE

BMet understands that leaving school is a big step. At our Stourbridge College and Sutton Coldfield College sites we offer the sixth form experience with award winning facilities and an excellent record of academic achievement. We have a special ethos where everyone is encouraged and supported both academically and personally. We pride ourselves on not only preparing you for university study but also for the world of work. With more subjects on offer than any other college in the area and a package of extras, we know we have something for everyone.

#### 'A' Levels

You will study A Level subjects for two years and will be examined in them at the end of this period. AS subjects may be available for you to select, but these are now stand alone qualifications and do not contribute to the final A Level grade.

When you enrol on an A Level programme at BMet you will be asked to choose three different subjects which will be studied throughout the two year course. A Levels at the Art & Design Centre

- > Fine Art
- Graphic Design
- Photography
- Textile Design



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Animators | Exhibition Designers | Fine Artists | Graphic Designers Illustrators | Printmakers | Production Designers | Fashion Designers Textile Designers and Many More

## **ART & DESIGN**

## WHY STUDY ART & DESIGN AT THE ART & DESIGN CENTRE?

With growth at more than twice the rate of other industries there's never been a better time to get into the creative sector. Our courses are accredited by the prestigious UALAB (University of the Arts London Awarding Body) ensuring you an interview at any UAL course at universities around the country. The UALAB Level 3 Art & Design Diploma allows you to specialise in your chosen pathway of 3D applied design, fashion and textiles or visual communication.

#### Entry Requirements

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
UAL Art & Design Diploma			
UAL Art & Design Foundation Diploma			
UAL Fashion & Textiles Diploma			•
UAL Visual Communication Diploma			

## **FOUNDATION LEARNING**

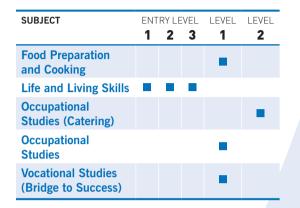
## WHY STUDY FOUNDATION LEARNING AT THE ART & DESIGN CENTRE?

Foundation learning is the name given to courses at entry level and Level 1 and is a great opportunity for you for you to continue your education at your own pace.

The Art & Design Centre in Brierley Hill is the home to our newly opened Independent Living Centre. The Centre provides opportunities for students to develop their independence with a range of skills including budgeting, planning menus for a healthy life style and carrying out maintenance at home. The unit includes a number of classroom areas aimed at providing students with the opportunity to gain vital skills in an environment conducive to their learning requirements.

#### **Entry Requirements**

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#### Career opportunities

Most of our students go on to study Level 1, 2 and 3 qualifications in a wide variety of subject areas.

## **Centre of Sporting Excellence** Brintons Field, Zortech Avenue, Kidderminster

The Centre of Sporting Excellence (CoSE) is based on the outskirts of Kidderminster at Brinton's Field. This is our specialist facility for sports courses at Kidderminster Academy and Stourbridge College.

The facilities include access to six football pitches, two rugby pitches, a 'trophy' pitch, a golf driving range and a strength and conditioning gym spread over 40 acres of land.

We also have use of partner community sports facilities including local golf, boxing and rugby clubs and the playing fields are also used by Kidderminster Harriers Football Academy.

The Centre of Sporting Excellence offers a range of Sports Academies which are

designed to bridge the gap between community sports and education.

Alongside the sports courses Foundation Learning offer courses in horticulture and catering. On site there are professional facilities including poly tunnels, a glass house and a fully equipped catering kitchen and serving area. Learners study in real working environments and we have links with the local community, which enhance their experience.



## **FOUNDATION LEARNING**

## WHY STUDY FOUNDATION LEARNING AT CoSE?

Foundation learning courses are personalised programmes which help and support you providing a great opportunity for you to continue your education at your pace. Our courses are designed to help you build the skills employers want. We teach English and maths alongside everything but in a fun interactive way to help you develop these important skills required in everyday life.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	ENT	'RY LE	EVEL	LEVEL	LEVEL
	1	2	3	1	2
Food Preparation and Cooking					
Occupational Studies (Catering)					•
Practical Horticulture				•	•
Skills for Working Life (Horticulture)					

#### Career opportunities

Most of our students go on to study Level 1, 2 and 3 qualifications in a wide variety of subject areas.

## SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCE

## WHY STUDY SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCE AT COSE?

Our Centre of Sporting Excellence (CoSE) is based on the outskirts of Kidderminster at Brinton's Field. The facilities include six football pitches, two rugby pitches, a 'trophy' pitch, a golf driving range and a strength and conditioning gym spread over 40 acres of land. Our Football Academy students have the excellent opportunity to train alongside Kidderminster Harriers FC and this, along with our other unique partnerships, mean that students develop their sporting skills with professional, qualified and experienced coaches.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL			
	1	2	3	
Kidderminster Harriers Football Academy Diploma				
Kidderminster Harriers Football Academy Extended Certificate		•		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Sports Coaches | Sports Therapists | Physiotherapists | Personal Trainers Fitness Instructors | Gym Manager | PE Teacher and Many More





## **Kidderminster Academy**

Weavers Wharf, Kidderminster

Kidderminster Academy is a skills and entrepreneurial centre, set in the heart of the town with easy transport links around the Midlands. It was created from an industrial building nicknamed the Piano Building because of its shape and has won an award for innovative conversion. It's not like any other college you've been in, bare brick, glass walls and large scale installations all go together to make it a truly inspirational space.



Kidderminster Academy

part of **BMet** 



## **ART & DESIGN**

## WHY STUDY ART & DESIGN AT KIDDERMINSTER ACADEMY?

Our Art & Design courses at Kidderminster Academy are accredited by the prestigious UALAB (University of the Arts London Awarding Body). It's a great time to get into the creative sector with growth at more than twice the rate of other industries and where better to study than at our award winning building.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
UAL Art & Design Diploma			

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Animators | Exhibition Designers | Fine Artists | Graphic Designers Illustrator | Printmakers | Production Designers | Fashion Designers Textile Designers and Many More

## **FASHION & RETAIL**

## WHY STUDY FASHION & RETAIL AT KIDDERMINSTER ACADEMY?

Careers in retail form two strands – on the front line you can go into production, buying, marketing and branding and distribution and logistics. Retail support functions include market research, HR, finance and merchandising as well as online trading. If the creative side is what you prefer then your skills and experience can take you into designing, tailoring, visual presentation/styling and production management. Our courses equip you with the skills that employers require. You'll get to increase your confidence and experience with practical projects such as organising an 'on location' photoshoot, an end of year show, producing a magazine, creating a catwalk event or running a pop up shop.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Fashion & Retail Diploma			
UAL Fashion & Clothing Diploma			•



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Fashion Designers | Tailors | Production Managers | Stylists | Buyers Marketing/Brand Managers | Merchandisers and Many More

## HAIR, BEAUTY & COMPLEMENTARY THERAPIES

# WHY STUDY HAIR, BEAUTY & COMPLEMENTARY THERAPIES AT KIDDERMINSTER ACADEMY?

Show off your creative prowess with a cutting edge career in Hairdressing & Barbering. From colours to cuts and beyond, our specialist courses are designed to ensure you have the best possible start in a career that is ever-changing and never out of fashion.



#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Hair & Beauty Diploma			
Hair & Media Make-up Diploma		•	
Hairdressing	are of	enticeshi fered at Ig levels	1

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Stylists | Make-Up Artists | Beauty Therapists | Spa Practitioners | Cosmetic Scientists | Salon Proprietors | Health Spa Managers and Many More

## **ANIMAL CARE**

## WHY STUDY ANIMAL CARE AT KIDDERMINSTER ACADEMY?

Working with animals is unlike any other sector, whether it is working at a rescue centre or a zoo, the roles are exciting and varied. Kidderminster Academy's Animal Care courses are delivered in partnership with West Midland Safari Park. Students studying the course will spend one day a week at Kidderminster Academy and two days a week at the Safari Park where they will get the opportunity to work with snakes, spiders, armadillos and racoon dogs. Staff at the Safari Park offer hands on animal care and welfare advice as well as real life experience in a working environment.

#### **Entry Requirements**

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SUBJECT		LEVEL	
	1	2	3
Animal Care Diploma			
Animal Management Diploma			



#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Animal Wardens | Researchers | Writers/Journalists | Zoo Keepers Animal Collection Managers | Conservation Project Officers | Groomers Veterinary nurses and Many More



## **HOSPITALITY & CATERING**

## WHY STUDY HOSPITALITY AND CATERING AT KIDDERMINSTER ACADEMY?

At Kidderminster Academy we specialise in hospitality, catering and culinary arts. The Academy is home to a fine dining restaurant and coffee house where students serve their culinary creations to members of the public.

You'll get to develop your culinary arts skills in fully-equipped training kitchens and workspaces and will provide catering and hospitality at many events hosted by local community organisations and at the Academy itself.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
Food Preparation and Cooking			
Hospitality Services	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

Head Chefs | Chefs | Restaurant, Bar or Hotel Managers Entertainment or Events Managers | Receptionists | Service Assistants Waiting Staff and Many More

## MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE

### WHY STUDY MEDIA, MUSIC & PERFORMANCE AT KIDDERMINSTER ACADEMY?

We've been leading the way in delivering Games Design and Programming courses in the Midlands since 2007. Our courses are accredited by University of Arts London Awarding Body which means project based delivery using UAL specification ensuring you will get an interview at any UALAB course at universities around the country! Work with our industry experienced staff to grow as artists and developers.

#### **Entry Requirements**

A guide to our entry requirements can be found on page 4. For specific course entry requirements please visit the relevant section at bmet.ac.uk.

SUBJECT	LEVEL		
	1	2	3
UAL Games Design Diploma			
UAL Interactive Media Production Diploma			•
Creative Digital Media	Apprenticeships are offered at varying levels		

#### Career opportunities

Our students go on to become:

TV, Film and Radio Producers | Technicians | Directors | Games Designers Web Designers and Many More Matthew Boulton College Jennens Road B4 7PS

Sutton Coldfield College Lichfield Road B74 2NW

James Watt College Aldridge Road, Great Barr B44 8NE

**Erdington Skills Centre** Edwards Road, Erdington B24 9EW

**Birmingham Botanical Gardens** Westbourne Road B15 3TR

Stourbridge College Hagley Road, Stourbridge DY8 1QU

Art and Design Centre Venture Way, Brierley Hill DY5 1RG

**Kidderminster Academy** Piano Building, Weavers Wharf, Kidderminster DY10 1AA

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