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COURSES FOR ADULT LEARNERS

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FUTURE

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BMet

Inspiring futures, realising dreams.

Start the next episode of your life with us

We have a wide range of adult part-time and full-time courses available - **apply now!**

How it works

1

SELECT YOUR COURSE ONLINE

Choose from a range of different courses with us.

2

CREATE YOUR ACCOUNT

Set-up your account in under five minutes and then apply online.

3

RECEIVE YOUR OFFER

You will be invited into college to complete your enrolment. Or skip the first two stages and come directly into college to enrol between the 06 January - 20 January 2022. See the website for the dates and times of open enrolment.

visit bmet.ac.uk/adult-part-time

Ways we can make returning to education easy



Inclusive Support

If you need support with learning, you can access the Metro Centre at each college for help with English, maths, dyslexia and study skills. Where appropriate, assessments can be arranged for examinations.



Careers

Specialist careers staff can help you to make informed career decisions, improve your employability and prepare you for applying to university, for the world of work or for a promotion.



Funding

We can help you work out what your education is going to cost and how you're going to fund it, including giving you advice on any financial help that you might be able to access.



Welfare

We offer information and support on a range of topics – with a confidential counselling service available for those who need it.



Transport

Depending on your circumstances, we may be able to help with the costs of getting you to and from college.



Childcare

Depending on your circumstances, we may be able to help with the cost of childcare when you are at college.

Enrol online at bmet.ac.uk



SWAP

SECTOR BASED WORK ACADEMY PROGRAMMES



SWAP Sector Based Work Academy Programmes

If you are unemployed you can sign up for a Sector Based Work Academy Programme. Affectionally called SWAPs!

In response to the economic impact of the Covid-19 pandemic there is a Regional Skills Recovery Programme offering access to FREE training across the West Midlands.

Sector Based Work Academy Programmes can accelerate your return to employment.

Academies are delivered in conjunction with employers who are recruiting.

Completing a SWAP will help you apply for a job in a new area of work.

Programmes are designed to offer work placements and employer support. This will help you develop your immediate and future skills needs, enabling you to gain employment.

You could be back into work in no time and, whilst you are retraining, you will not lose your benefits!

**Call us on 0121 446 4545 to find out more.
Or visit our website to find out more –**

bmet.ac.uk/swap

Why us?

BMet is a trio of colleges – James Watt College, Matthew Boulton College and Sutton Coldfield College

At our colleges you'll benefit from our partnerships with world leading employers and our links with top universities. Our state-of-the-art facilities, passionate staff, exceptional academic and careers advice, and financial support will help ensure that you realise your dreams.

With courses on offer at our colleges across Birmingham you can be sure there's a college on your doorstep where you will find first-class learning opportunities.

We also offer Access to Higher Education and university level study as well as a host of school leaver courses including A levels – something for everyone! Studying with us can be a real family affair!

PART-TIME LEARNING

Whether you are looking to boost your employability, change your career direction, update your skills or simply learn something new, at BMet we have a part-time course for you!

We realise that adult learners have many demands on their time, and for this reason, we offer flexible part-time and short courses, to suit your needs.

FREE COURSES FOR ADULTS

If you earn less than £30,000 per year and are aged 19 or over, you can study for FREE* on some of our courses.

For courses where there is a fee we offer flexible payment plans and a raft of financial support to help remove any barriers to returning to education.

We can also offer advanced learner loans on some courses and you don't have to start paying back until you earn £27,295 per year. There is support available to ensure you can study at BMet.

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***Terms and conditions apply. Entry requirements apply for certain courses. Funding for free courses only applies to ESFA and West Midlands Combined Authority funded adult courses, excluding full cost courses and courses eligible for loans.**

More on our colleges and part-time options



James Watt College

James Watt College is a centre of excellence for technical training and education

The college offers a range of adult part-time courses over a vast number of professions including: Bricklaying, Carpentry and Joinery, Construction, Electrical, Engineering, Rail, Plumbing, Counselling, Customer Services in a Healthcare Setting and more!

Plus - James Watt College is proud of its sister site the Erdington Sills Centre. This site is a specialist construction site that offers a range of courses. It is a truly impressive site that upskills students and gets them ready for a career in the construction trades.

COURSES WE OFFER at James Watt College

Here are just a few of the courses we offer...



James Watt College has a range of excellent facilities including:

Construction workshop

Healthcare suite for learning the skills you will need in the workplace

Excellent engineering workshops and a live rail track for our rail students to learn the tricks of the trade

A Starbucks and a large canteen serving healthy food including takeaway options

Free parking



Matthew Boulton College

Matthew Boulton College is located in the heart of Birmingham's Learning Quarter in the city centre. This outstanding building won accolades when first built and still looks impressive more than a decade later.

Matthew Boulton College has a range of excellent facilities including:

A well-equipped learning resource centre

Specialist workshops and laboratories

A Starbucks and a large canteen serving healthy food including takeaway options

The college offers part-time courses over a vast number of professions including: Accounting, Early Years, Education, Business, Dental, Graphic Design, Pharmacy, Law, Health and Social Care and Horticulture.

Amongst its many features are specialist workshops, labs,

healthcare clinics, study centres and our cutting-edge fashion and graphic design studios.

All this and amazing shopping is right on the doorstep. The college is just a short stroll from Grand Central, New Street and the Bullring.

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More on our colleges and part-time options



Sutton Coldfield College

Sutton Coldfield College is nestled among the many green spaces of north Birmingham. Situated on the Lichfield Road the college is a short walk from the train station and town centre with its shops, cafes and restaurants.

The college offers a range of adult part-time courses over a vast number of professions including: Accounting, Business, Digital, Education, Health & Social Care, HR, Law and Sport & Fitness.

There are also Access to Higher Education and university level study as well as a host of school leaver courses including A levels – something for everyone! Studying with us can be a real family affair!

COURSES WE OFFER at Sutton Coldfield College

Here are just a few of the courses we offer...



Sutton Coldfield College has a range of excellent facilities including:

A well-equipped learning resource centre

A Starbucks and a large canteen serving healthy food including takeaway options

Sports centre of excellence

Free parking



**UPSKILL
YOUR
LIFE!**

University calling

If you're considering studying for a university-level qualification, we have higher level courses available in:



No barriers to university with our access to higher education courses

Are you interested in studying for a university-level course but haven't got the required qualifications? All is not lost, as our Access to Higher Education (HE) courses could be ideal for you.

Access to Higher Education courses develop study skills, build confidence and allow you to experience different subject areas within your chosen field – to prepare you for study at university.

If you haven't yet secured the qualifications required for a degree-level course, are aged 19 and over, have a Level 2 qualification (5 GCSEs grade 4-9 or a BTEC Level 2 course) and have some previous experience in your chosen pathway, then an Access Access to HE courses available in to HE course is the ideal starting point.

Access to HE courses available in:



Visit bmet.ac.uk/university

Courses for Job Seekers



Free courses for the unemployed

We offer an exciting selection of short courses supported by local job centres, which lead to accredited qualifications. We teach skills that are valuable to local employers and help you back into work.

Our specialist adult education centre, part of Matthew Boulton College, in Birmingham City Centre offers a friendly, calm and welcoming environment to study in, gain confidence and meet new people.

We run our 'Job Club' twice weekly, offering lots of opportunities to support you to find work.

Your course is free if you are aged 19 years and over (before 31 August) and receive Universal Credit (UC), Job Seekers' Allowance (JSA) or Employment & Support Allowance (ESA).

Visit bmet.ac.uk/jobseekers for more information.

JobSkills at BMet offer sector-specific skills training, all leading to accredited L1 qualifications in;

- **Business Admin**
- **Cleaning**
- **Customer Service**
- **Health and Social Care**
- **Horticulture**
- **Railway Engineering**
- **Retail**

**You can call us on
0121 362 1174 or email
jobskills@bmet.ac.uk**

**Regular
course
start
dates!**

James Watt College Courses

COURSE TITLE	STARTS
CONSTRUCTION	
Kitchen Fitting Diploma Level 2	10 Jan 22
Kitchen Fitting Diploma Level 2	25 Apr 22
ENGINEERING	
Manual Metal Arc Welding Award Level 1	03 Jan 22
Manual Metal Arc Welding Award Level 1	18 Apr 22
Metal Inert Gas Welding Award Level 1	03 Jan 22
Metal Inert Gas Welding Award Level 1	18 Apr 22
Rail Engineering Diploma Level 2	10 Jan 22
Rail Engineering Diploma Level 2	21 Feb 22
Rail Engineering Diploma Level 3	10 Jan 22
Tungsten Inert Gas Welding Award Level 1	03 Jan 22
Tungsten Inert Gas Welding Award Level 1	18 Apr 22
ENGLISH & MATHS	
ESOL – Reading and Writing - levels vary	Various
Functional Skills English - levels vary	Various
Functional Skills Maths - levels vary	Various
HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE	
Introduction to Health & Social Care, Children's & Young People's Settings Certificate Level 1	07 Feb 22

Erdington Skills Centre Courses

COURSE TITLE	STARTS
CONSTRUCTION	
Carpentry Diploma Level 2	28 Mar 22
CREATIVE & DIGITAL	
Digital Skills Certificate Level 1	28 Feb 22
ENGLISH & MATHS	
ESOL – Reading and Writing - levels vary	Various
Functional Skills - Maths	03 Jan 22

Courses

Matthew Boulton College Courses

COURSE TITLE	STARTS
BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL	
AAT Accounting Certificate Level 2	24 Jan 22
AAT Bookkeeping Certificate Level 2	07 Feb 22
CREATIVE & DIGITAL	
Entrepreneurial Digital Marketing Award Level 2	10 Jan 22
EARLY YEARS & EDUCATION	
Award in Safeguarding in a Learning Environment	25 Apr 22
Introduction to Health & Social Care, Children's & Young People's Settings Certificate Level 1	24 Jan 22
Preparing to work in Schools Award Level 1	17 Jan 22
ENGLISH & MATHS	
ESOL - Reading and Writing - levels vary	Various
Functional Skills English - levels vary	Various
Functional Skills Maths - levels vary	Various
SCIENCE	
GCSE Biology (Fast Track)	17 Jan 22

Birmingham Botanical Gardens Courses

COURSE TITLE	STARTS
HORTICULTURE & FLORISTRY	
Creative Craft (Floristry) Certificate Level 2	13 Sep 21
Creative Craft Floristry Award Level 1	18 Jan 22
Creative Craft Floristry Certificate Level 2	02 Mar 22
Practical Horticulture Skills Certificate Level 1	10 Jan 22
Practical Horticulture Skills Certificate Level 2	14 Feb 22

TOP TIP! Some of our courses are **free** - visit bmet.ac.uk to find out more

Sutton Coldfield College Courses

COURSE TITLE	STARTS
BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL	
Accounting Certificate Level 2	31 Jan 22
AAT Bookkeeping Certificate Level 2	07 Feb 22
CREATIVE & DIGITAL	
Digital Skills for Adults Certificate Level 2 (online)	10 Jan 22
ENGLISH & MATHS	
ESOL - Reading and Writing - levels vary	Various
Functional Skills English - levels vary	Various
Functional Skills Maths - levels vary	Various
GCSE Maths	24 Jan 22
GCSE English	10 Jan 22
FOUNDATION LEARNING	
Work Skills Award Level 1 (online)	25 Apr 22
SCIENCE	
GCSE Biology (Fast Track)	17 Jan 22
SPORT	
Personal Training Diploma Level 3	07 Feb 22

Courses



FREE Online Learning Courses

Level 2 Courses	START DATE
Business Courses through Sutton Coldfield College	
Business and Administration Certificate Level 2	Various
Business Improvement Techniques Certificate Level 2	Various
Creating a Business Start-Up NCFE Certificate Level 2	Various
Information Advice and Guidance Certificate NCFE CACHE Level 2	Various
Principles of Team Leading	Various
Principles of Customer Service	

Level 2 Courses	START DATE
Health & Social Care Level 2 through James Watt College	
Awareness of Mental Health Problems	Various
Care and Management of Diabetes	Various
Common Health Conditions	Various
Customer Service for Health & Social Care Settings	Various
Equality and Diversity	Various
Falls Prevention Awareness	Various
Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care Cache Certificate Level 2	Various
Principles of Care Planning	Various
Principles of Dementia	Various
Principles of End of Life Care	Various
Principles of the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health Care Settings	Various

Principles of Working with Individuals with Learning Disabilities	Various
Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences Certificate Level 2	Various
Understanding Autism	Various
Understanding Children and Young Peoples Mental Health	Various
Understanding Common Childhood Illnesses	Various
Understanding Dignity and Safeguarding in Adult Health and Social Care	Various
Understanding Mental Health First Aid and Mental Health Advocacy In The Workplace Certificate Level 2	Various
Understanding Nutrition and Health	Various
Understanding Safeguarding and Prevent	Various
Understanding the Safe Handling of Medication in Health & Social Care	Various



ESOL

**Courses starting
this September**

**Enrol in person
from 06 January 2022**

[bmet.ac.uk](https://www.bmet.ac.uk)

**You can also enrol
on our website:
[bmet.ac.uk](https://www.bmet.ac.uk)**

Fees and finance

We want to make sure that education is available to everyone. 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.

19+ Advanced Learning Loans

Did you know that if you are 19 or over and applying to study at Level 3 or above, you could be eligible for a student loan?

Student loans have traditionally only been available to students studying at degree level, but in September 2013 the government launched a new loan scheme to help people like you access the financial support you might need to study for your qualification. What's more, you do not have to start paying back your loan until you have left the course and are earning over £27,295 a year.

And if you receive a loan to study for an Access to HE course, and then move on to do a HE course, the amount outstanding on your loan for your Access course will be written off once you complete your HE qualification. Research shows that people with a Level 3 qualification or above, earn more than those who are not similarly qualified. Repayments will be made at 9% of annual earnings over £25,000. This means that if you earn £28,800 a year, you will only have to pay back £11 a month. If your earnings drop below £27,295, payments will stop. For further information visit

www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan/what-you-pay

How do you qualify?

To qualify you must be: Aged 19 or over on the first day of your course (there's no upper age-limit). Living in the UK on the first day of your course and have lived in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man for three years immediately before this or be a UK national or have 'settled status' (this means there are no restrictions on how long you can stay).

For further details see

www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan

Enrolling on an eligible course at Level 3 and above which includes: Access to HE Diplomas, other Diplomas and Certificates.

How do you apply for a loan?

You can apply online to Student Finance England using the online application form or you can download the forms and apply by post. Before you can apply, you will need to have a Learning and Funding Information Letter from the college. This will be emailed to you when you complete your enrolment details online.

If you intend to pay for your course through an advanced learner loan, you will need to have made an application prior to or during enrolment.

If you need any help applying for a loan, our team is here to help.

Earn less than £18,138 per annum?

If so, you may be eligible for full funding – yes that's right you may be able to study for free!

If you earn between £18,138 and £30,000 per annum, you may also be eligible for funding. Ask for details when you enrol. Please bring with you proof of your household income with you.

Subject to confirmation and only applies to residents living in the West Midlands Combined Authority Area

Enrolment

Choose your route to enrol! Enrol online or enrol in person from Thursday 6 January 2022. If you are not sure what to study with us come and see us during open enrolment to discuss your options. See bmet.ac.uk for more details.

Once you have completed your application we will contact you to confirm the enrolment process.

Course Fees

The course fee is the amount payable at enrolment. However, on some courses, there may be an additional fee to cover materials or examination fees and you will be advised of these at enrolment. You can pay your course fees by bank transfer, debit or credit card or cheque. For some courses, you can also pay by instalments. All cheques should be made payable to Birmingham Metropolitan College. If your employer is paying your fees, you must provide a purchase order from them stating this fact when you complete enrolment.

All fees are payable at the point of enrolment. If you are unable to provide payment or evidence of benefits or employer sponsorship, we will not be able to complete your enrolment.

***If you are an asylum seeker, refugee or have a Study Visa or any other Visa type covering your time in the UK, you will also need to bring this documentation with you to enrolment.**

ID Documentation

We need to see identification evidence at enrolment. Acceptable evidence is shown below:

- › Passport
- › Photo Driving Licence
- › Identity Card or other form of National Identification
- › National Insurance Card
- › Bank/Debit/Credit Card

Learners enrolling on Higher Education courses, will need to provide evidence from the list below:

- › Passport
- › Photo Driving Licence
- › Identity Card or other form of National Identification
- › Birth Certificate (this has to be an original certificate)
- › Marriage Certificate (this has to be an original certificate)

*Everyone enrolling needs to have the following documents:

- › Benefit/Household Income documents – if you are applying for financial support
- › Payment/bank details – if you will be making a payment or paying by instalments

Birmingham Botanical Gardens

Westbourne Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 3TR

Erdington Skills Centre

Edwards Road, Erdington, Birmingham B24 9EW

James Watt College

Aldridge Road, Great Barr B44 8NE

Matthew Boulton College

Jennens Road B4 7PS

Sutton Coldfield College

Lichfield Road B74 2NW

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