



# #you

at Southport College

School Leaver

Prospectus

2023-2024





# #A campus for you

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# #Michelle Brabner-Principal CEO

I am delighted to introduce you to our brand new 2023 prospectus, which I hope will give you an insight into College life with us and help you discover your perfect course.

I look forward to welcoming you to Southport College soon.

*Michelle*

## Our aim

Our aim is to prepare you for your chosen career, next steps in education and long term aspirations. At our spacious, town centre campus, we offer excellent teaching from industry experienced tutors and individually tailored student support. Our facilities are first-class and our learning environment is safe and secure. Our students are at the heart of everything we do and all the staff are committed to helping every one of you realise your potential and build a fantastic future.

## Your future

Our students move into quality employment or go on to University following completion of their studies at Southport College. To ensure that our students leave us as well-rounded individuals we enhance our courses by providing many additional opportunities including valuable work placements or work experience through our strong industry links; as well as the chance to take part in sports, volunteering, trips and special events.

## Our Guidance

As a 16 year-old the range of options available to you when you leave school can seem overwhelming, so our Student Guidance team is available to contact for careers and course advice, ensuring you make the best choice for your next steps.

I do hope that this publication inspires you to join the thousands of other students who choose to take their next step with us each year.



#Michelle Brabner - Principal CEO



# #Reasons for you to choose Southport College

# Excellent results and student progression

# Leading provider of Apprenticeships in the local area

# Brilliant work placements and work related projects

# Easily accessible, spacious town centre location

# Friendly, industry-experienced tutors

# Free lunch for eligible students

# Strong links with local businesses and industry professionals

# Exciting Co-curricular Programme

# Lots of opportunities for sports

# Free travel pass (Terms and conditions apply)

# Fantastic facilities with realistic work environments

# Outstanding student support and courses tailored to your needs



Southport College is in the heart of the town centre and easily accessible by public transport.

We are 2 minutes walk from Lord Street and 5 minutes from Southport Station.

**Plus we offer FREE travel passes.**  
**(Find out more on Page 32).**



# #Your facilities

## Continuing investment

At Southport College, we pride ourselves on the fact that our students always benefit from bright modern learning environments, fitted with the latest tools and technology for their field. This ensures that when you go on to further study or out into the world of work, you are already experienced in using high quality industry standard equipment.

We have a rolling refurbishment programme, so that all departments are regularly updated.

The most recent to benefit was our Pennington Building, home to our Motor Vehicle Engineering; Construction, Surveying and Architecture; Bricklaying and Painting & Decorating departments.

This large scale refit has created fantastic brand new workspaces and ensured students use the latest equipment.

## Redevelopments

Amongst other things the redevelopments have meant that Painting and Decorating students now have spacious individual booths to work in, giving them continuous opportunities to practice and perfect their skills in realistic environments and meaning that individual projects can be easily continued over a number of days where necessary. Bricklaying students have a huge new bright and airy workshop to learn their trade, with plenty of space to work on individual projects, watch demonstrations and be inspired by the work of others; and our construction, surveying and architecture department has been completely overhauled.

By Summer 2023, we will also have brand new plastering, carpentry and joinery workshops too, as well as facilities dedicated to teaching the installation of EV charging points.

**Students on our Bricklaying, Electrical Installation, Engineering, Painting & Decorating and Vehicle Engineering courses all use purpose built workshops using industry standard tools, equipment and products.**





# #Your facilities

Our highly experienced tutors and our amazing workshops and state-of-the-art equipment, deliver a wealth of technical knowledge to the next generation of construction engineers and builders.



## Brickwork & Construction Workshops

Building skills for the future is at the heart of everything we do in the Construction department. We are very proud of our newly refurbished, bricklaying and construction workshops.

Boasting an impressive square footage, students have massive amounts of space in the workshops to construct everything from basic cavity walls to brick arches and even scaffolding towers.

It's all indoors too, so students can work safely, warm and dry without any distraction from the weather outside.

As part of the refurbishment, we added lots of the latest equipment as used on construction sites around the world, with everything from mixers to rotary laser measures. We have excellent links with the UK's leading suppliers to the building industry, meaning students will be using some of the latest and highest quality building materials available.

## Michelmersh Pledge 100

As part of their 'Pledge 100 initiative', Michelmersh have been donating 100,000 brick products to colleges and bricklaying courses across the UK, every year since 2020.

Thanks to this initiative, Southport College's state-of-the art bricklaying and construction workshop now benefits from an incredible store of 9,600 top-quality bricks, keeping our student bricklayers busy for years to come!



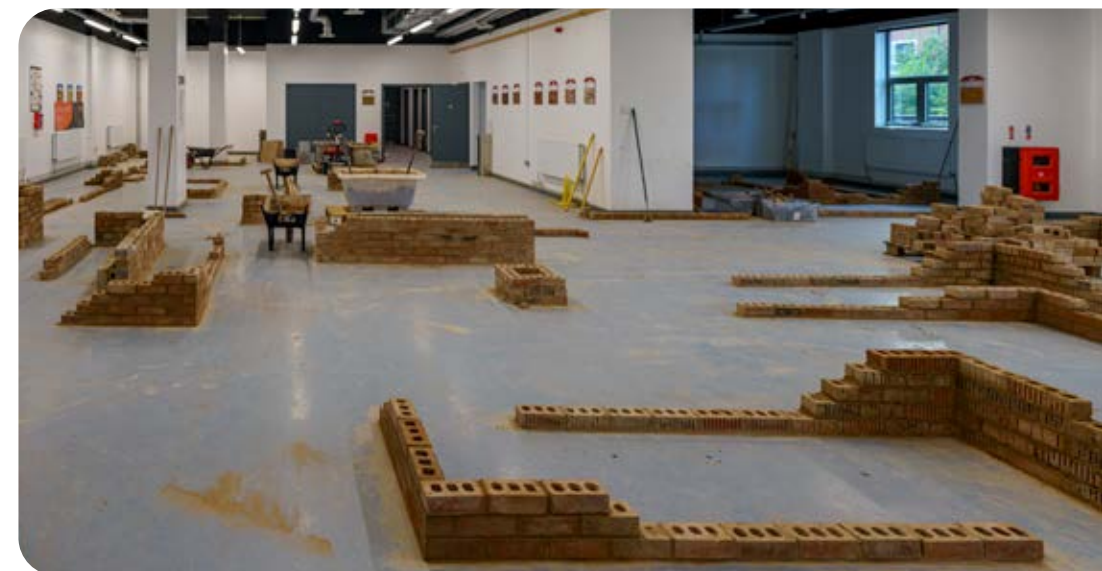
The generous donation is very much appreciated by everyone at the College, particularly the students, who will benefit the most. Principal Michelle Brabner highly praised the initiative, "On behalf of the entire team I'd like to say a huge thank you to Michelmersh for your support and very generous donation.

This fantastic initiative will truly benefit our students and Southport College to continue in its commitment to provide excellent, sustainable education and training."

Sarah Le Gresley, Marketing Director at Michelmersh told us that they are "proud to have supported Southport College as part of the Pledge 100, enabling its students to use high quality products to develop their skills, aiding the next generation of skilled bricklayers."

You can keep an eye on what our students get up to with these bricks by following #mbhpledge100.

**For anyone looking to embark on a career in the construction industry, there is an excellent range of courses on offer for both school leavers and adult learners looking to retrain or learn new skills.**





# #Your facilities

## New architectural equipment

Careful consideration is undertaken by the team and external partners on what state-of-the-art equipment a college with our aspirations require to be considered as the number one provider of T Levels and professional Construction qualifications in the North West.

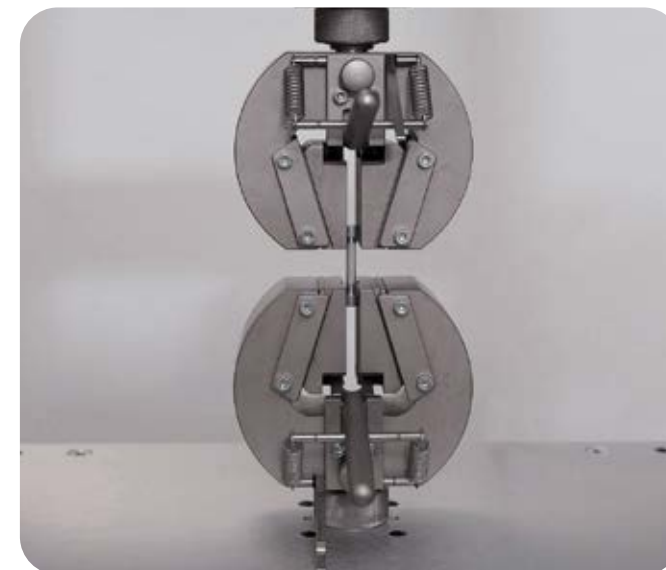
Having made the decision to recently invest £80,000 in more equipment, we are proud of our wide range of specialised resources you as a student with us will be using throughout your studies including:

- # 5KN Tensile strength Machine
- # Autodesk® AutoCAD
- # Autodesk® Revit
- # Leica DD120 Cable Locator
- # Leica DISTO S910 Laser Distance Pro Package
- # Leica iCON iCB50 Total Stations Oculus Quest 2 128GB All-in-One VR Headsets
- # Phantom 4 Pro V2.0 Surveying Drone
- # PIX4Dmapper (The leading photogrammetry software for professional drone mapping)
- # Ultimaker S3 3D Printers

For those wishing to follow a career in the Construction and Built Environment Sector, whether that is becoming an Architect, Civil Engineer, Project Manager, Quantity Survey, Building Surveyor and the many other avenues available, we are ready and well equipped for you to start your journey.



The Construction team at Southport College prides themselves on 'being better' and with this in mind, invest in the very best tools and equipment to enhance the students' learning experience.





# #Your facilities

## Vehicle Engineering workshops

Studying Motor Vehicle Engineering at Southport College means you have not only one, but two fantastic purpose built automotive workshops to learn in that are just like the real thing.

Both are fitted out with the latest industry equipment, including ramps, wheel balancers, pneumatic tools and high tech diagnostic kits as well as an MOT testing centre to name but a few. This means that when you leave us you are familiar with using all the relevant equipment and ready for the workplace with the skills and hands on experience professional garages need their motor vehicle engineers to have.

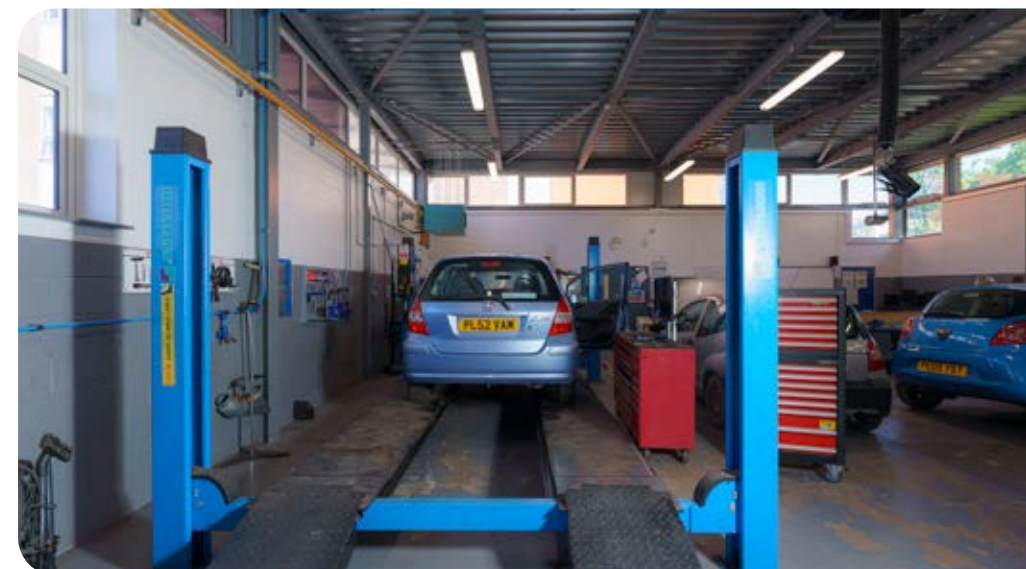
The brilliant workshops, where the atmosphere is always fast paced and energetic, are stocked with a permanent range of vehicles. They are there for you to work on, so you will be training on real cars right from the beginning. Plus of course there are regular visiting vehicles of all makes and models too, so you will get a wide range of experiences throughout the course.

Our motor vehicle tutors are all time served industry experts as well as being great teachers, so on top of having daily access to these fantastic facilities, you can guarantee you are getting "top of the range" training too!

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#Your facilities





# #Your facilities

## Engineering facilities for you

As an engineering student you will be based in the Tony Leigh building and will use dedicated classrooms, a Computer Aided Design Suite and Engineering workshops.

The workshops are well-equipped with a range of tools and equipment including Plasma cutter, guillotine, brake press, bench mounted drill, floor mounted pillar drill, pedestal grinder, M.I.G. and T.I.G. welding sets. The mechanical workshop contains up to date, brand new machines, lathes, millers and computerised controlled (CNC) machines.

In addition, you will have access to cross-college facilities including the Library and Study Centres.

## Continual investment

Our Engineering department has benefited from a recent £1.3 million refurbishment project providing students with a new, modern e-learning classroom and an extended and refurbished workshop housing £150,000 of new equipment.

All of our tutors are industry experienced engineers who pass on their wealth of skills and knowledge to students and high spec machines, equipment and resources are used in the workshops to help students prepare for work in the industry.

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# #Your facilities

## Gas and Plumbing workshops

Our Gas and Plumbing Workshops were updated in Summer 2022 and provide fantastic equipment and resources to fully prepare you for the workplace.

This brilliant investment has created three bespoke spacious and modern learning areas and means that if you a plumbing or gas student with us, you will benefit from fantastic facilities, with a state of the art learning environment and the most up to date appliances to train on. As a result you will leave us fully prepared for the world of work, competent in using industry standard tools and equipment; and with the qualifications and skills employers in this field are looking for.



#Your facilities

Our recently refurbished Gas and Plumbing Workshops provide up to date equipment and resources to fully prepare you for the workplace.





# #Your facilities

## Electrical workshops

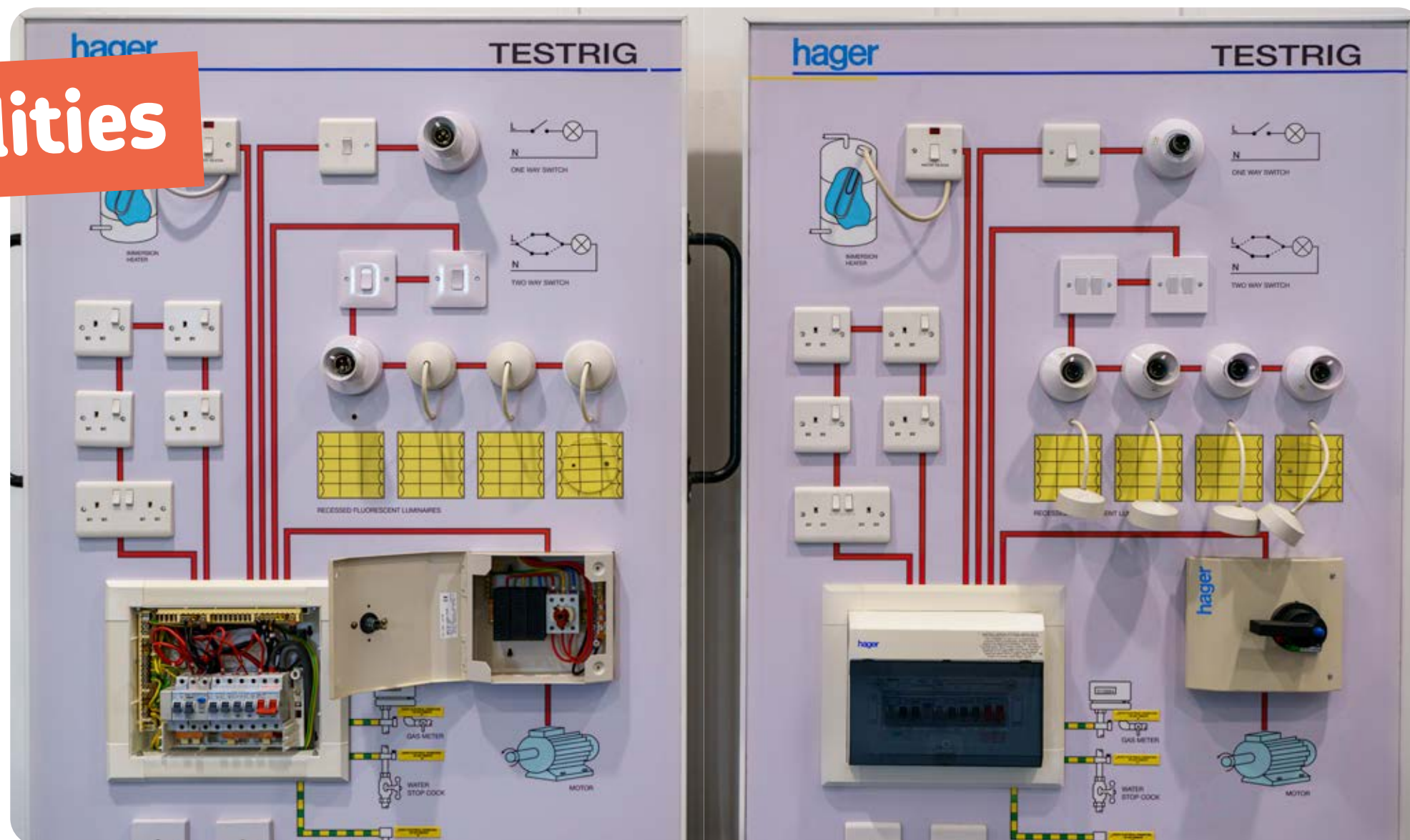
Our Electrical Workshops are recently refurbished and contain all the industry standard equipment you will need to get you ready for the workplace.

We know how important it is that our students learn using the same most up to date equipment that they will go on to use in the world of work. With this in mind, we are regularly investing in our all our workshops.

Our electrical department has spacious and modern workshops and classrooms, which have a wide range of fantastic facilities. This includes systems that allow our students to test, inspect and fault find just as they would in the industry.

As a result our students leave us competent in using the relevant tools and with the skills, knowledge and qualifications employers want and they need to succeed.

Our electrical workshops allow students to practise testing, inspecting and fault finding, just as they would in the industry.





# #Your facilities

## Childcare nursery classrooms

We have our very own real nursery classroom with different areas for the children to play in.

The nursery classroom has a rota and different early years settings from the local area bring groups of children to the nursery to play. The students can then play, observe, plan activities and practice with the children whilst they are in college. This will add to their placement practice.

The early years and childcare team's rooms are set up using wall displays and children's activity tables to create a realistic working environment. The team take great pride in their teaching rooms and facilities.



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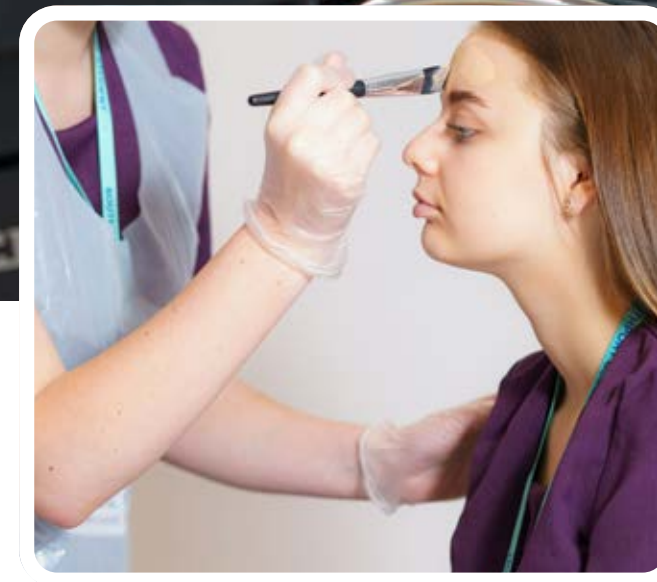
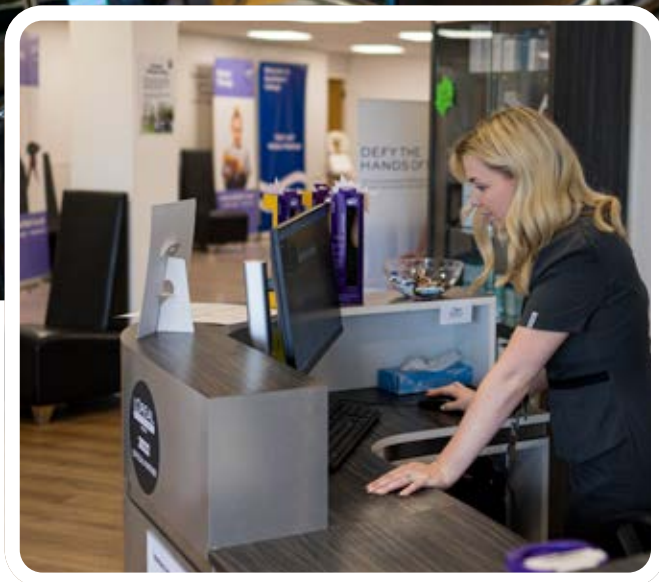
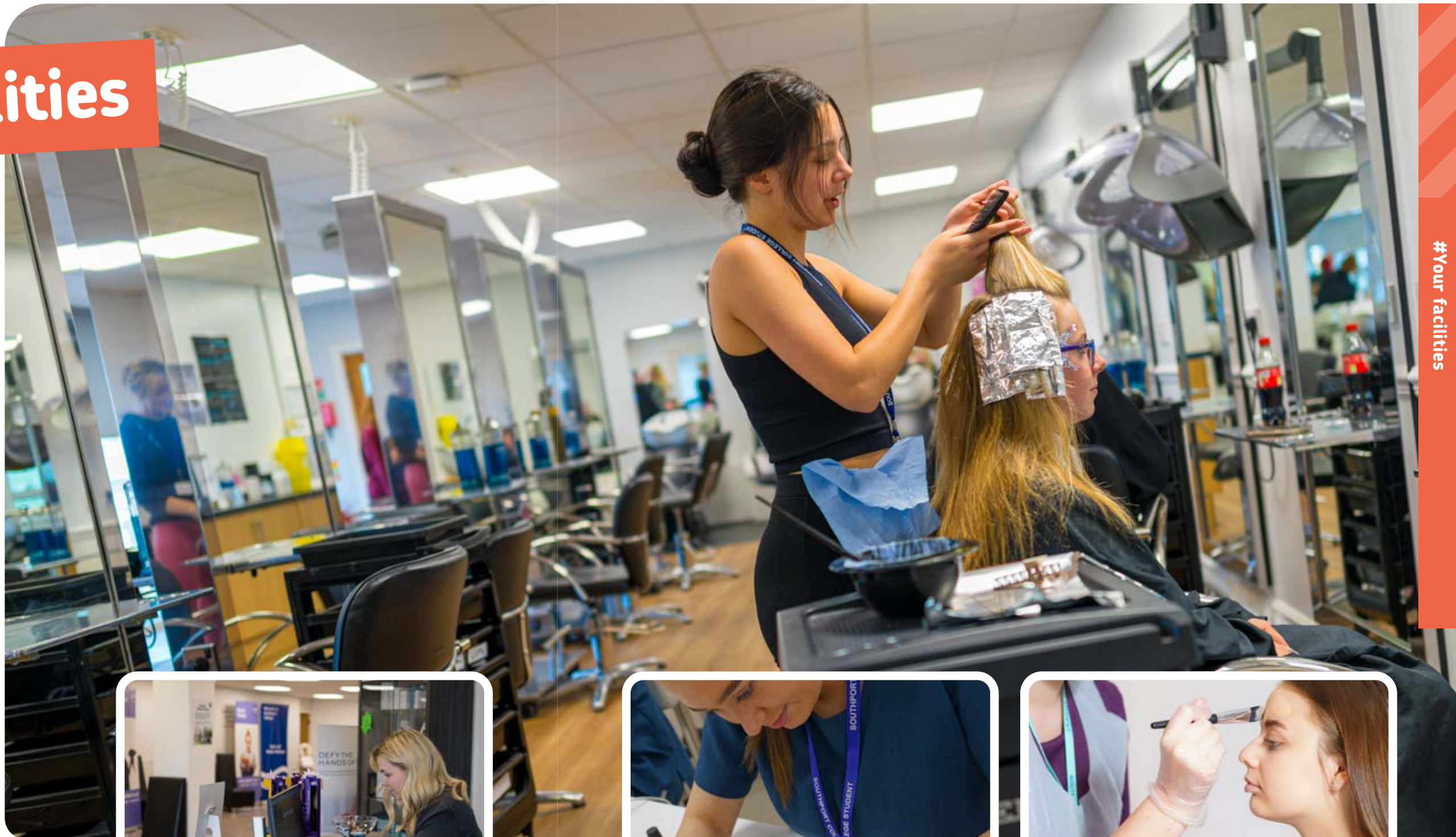
# #Your facilities

## Concept Salons

Concept is our on-site professionally run salon where our students provide a host of services, from a classic cut to contemporary colouring, facials and nail services, all with support and close supervision from our highly experienced staff.

It's a fantastic way for our students to gain real salon experience and for our customers to enjoy salon treatments at a substantially reduced cost.

We have great relationships with product manufacturers including Wella, Elemis, Eve Taylor, Kerastraight and OPI to name but a few. They provide additional training resources to students, along with guest stylists and educators, giving you excellent product knowledge, fully preparing you for working in the hair and beauty industry.





# #Your facilities

## Clouds Restaurant

Clouds is our fully working restaurant that gives Hospitality & Catering students the necessary work experience to be successful within the hospitality and catering industry.

The students will gain experience in how to run a restaurant and bar as well as learn crucial event management skills.

Clouds has state-of-the-art kitchens for our students to learn with the most up to date equipment.

**For opening times or to make a reservation call 01704 392676.**



Southport's best kept secret...







# #Your Co-curricular programme

## Opportunities for you

The Co-curricular programme is about providing opportunities to bring learning to life and broaden your range of interests.

## So many activities for you

Your Co-curricular programme may include:

### Trips and Visits

- # Alton Towers
- # Berlin
- # Blackpool Pleasure Beach
- # Disneyland Paris
- # Galleries
- # London
- # Museums
- # Science and technology fairs

### Sports

- # 5-a-side football
- # Badminton
- # Basketball
- # Dodgeball
- # Free gym membership
- # Short tennis
- # Table tennis
- # Volleyball

### Student Events

- # Careers fairs
- # Celebratory events
- # Charity fundraisers
- # Freshers' Day
- # Guest speakers
- # LGBTQ+ Events
- # UCAS fair
- # University visits



## Ellie Brownhill

*"In a nutshell, I'm part of the team who makes college life as fun, exciting and fulfilling as possible! Our students are at the very heart of everything we do.*

*We don't believe college life should solely revolve around classroom learning so we offer a wide range of exciting activities and opportunities. You can enjoy everything from sports clubs to orienteering, Duke of Edinburgh to mental wellbeing sessions as well as day trips and guest speakers to name a few.*

*Our Co-curricular programme is designed to develop your interests, allow you to try new pursuits, extend your skills, boost your confidence, meet new people and boost student wellbeing. We want you to perform at your best in college and equip you for future success."*

**Co-curricular Coordinator**

## The Student Experience

*It is a good way to make new friends and learn new skills and it also looks great on your CV or UCAS Personal Statement.*

## LGBTQ+ Community

In January 2020 we were the first college in the country to receive the Rainbow Flag Award, which recognises our commitment to supporting our LGBTQ+ community. There is a dedicated LGBTQ+ student group and the College recruits LGBTQ+ Student Ambassadors each academic year who support Open Events and LGBTQ+ visibility events across the year. The College also hosts 3 parent/carer LGBTQ+ information evenings each academic year.

## Join the Student Events Team

The Southport College Marketing Team regularly recruit friendly, capable students from across the College to join our Student Events Team. The team then work together with our busy marketing department to help deliver a whole range of exciting events on and off the College campus throughout the year. These include open evenings, taster days, school careers fairs, awards events and even our new student day.

It's a great way to grow in confidence, develop your organisational or public speaking skills, enhance your CV and of course to make new friends too.

You will receive all the training and support you need and we do our best to make it enjoyable as well as a valuable work experience to impress future employers. Find out more when term begins.



# #Your Co-curricular programme

## Activities for you

We all know how important staying physically fit and healthy is. But enjoying sports can also be good for your mental health too, as well as being a great way to make new friends, have fun and really feel part of college life. Whatever you are studying with us, you are welcome to join in the wide range of sports and activities on offer.

There are weekly sessions in sports such as badminton, 5-a-side football, short tennis, dodgeball, basketball, table tennis, yoga, running, walking, benchball and multisports, as well as competitions in short tennis, rounders, table tennis and football.

Plus there is the College Gym, which is free to students and open throughout the week.

The College also has representative teams in 11-a-side football, volleyball, rugby union and basketball and these teams compete on a regular basis throughout the year.

So whether you already play sport competitively, want to join one of our teams, or if you fancy trying something new, or you just want to join in and make new friends whilst you have fun and stay fit, our friendly, experienced and professional sports staff are here to help you.





# #Free Travel Passes

Southport College is in the heart of the town centre and is very easily accessible, by bus, train, bike or on foot.

## Free Travel Passes\*

All Southport College students who are aged 16-18 and live more than 3 miles away from College, are eligible for a free travel pass, you just need to apply.

Our free travel passes are valid 7 days a week, so not only will you be able to use it to get to and from college whenever you need to, you can also use it in the evenings and at weekends to visit friends or go to work too. How good is that!

Students who live 1-2.9 miles away may still be eligible, depending on their circumstances, so please do contact us for more information.

Please note that the college may also allocate a trio pass where daily use of multiple transport providers is unavoidable.

## By car

Southport is accessed via the A565 from both the north (Preston) and the south (Liverpool) and by the A570 (Ormskirk and the M58).

The College is situated off Lord Street, on Mornington Road. Visitors attending our open evenings throughout the year are able to access free on-site parking. For Satnav: enter our postcode PR9 0TT.

## By train

A five-minute walk from the College, Southport station is accessible from all stations towards Liverpool and Hunts Cross through Merseyrail's Northern Line service. There are also Northern Rail trains linking the College to Burscough, Appley Bridge, Wigan and other stations towards Manchester.

## By bus

Buses from across the region stop regularly on Lord Street, a five-minute walk from the College.

# Tarleton/Hesketh Bank:  
2X, 2

# Ormskirk and Skelmersdale:  
375, 385

# Maghull: 300

# Crosby: X2

# Bootle: 300, X2

## By bike

If you wish to use your bicycle to travel to College there are secure bike storage facilities on-site.

## Further Information

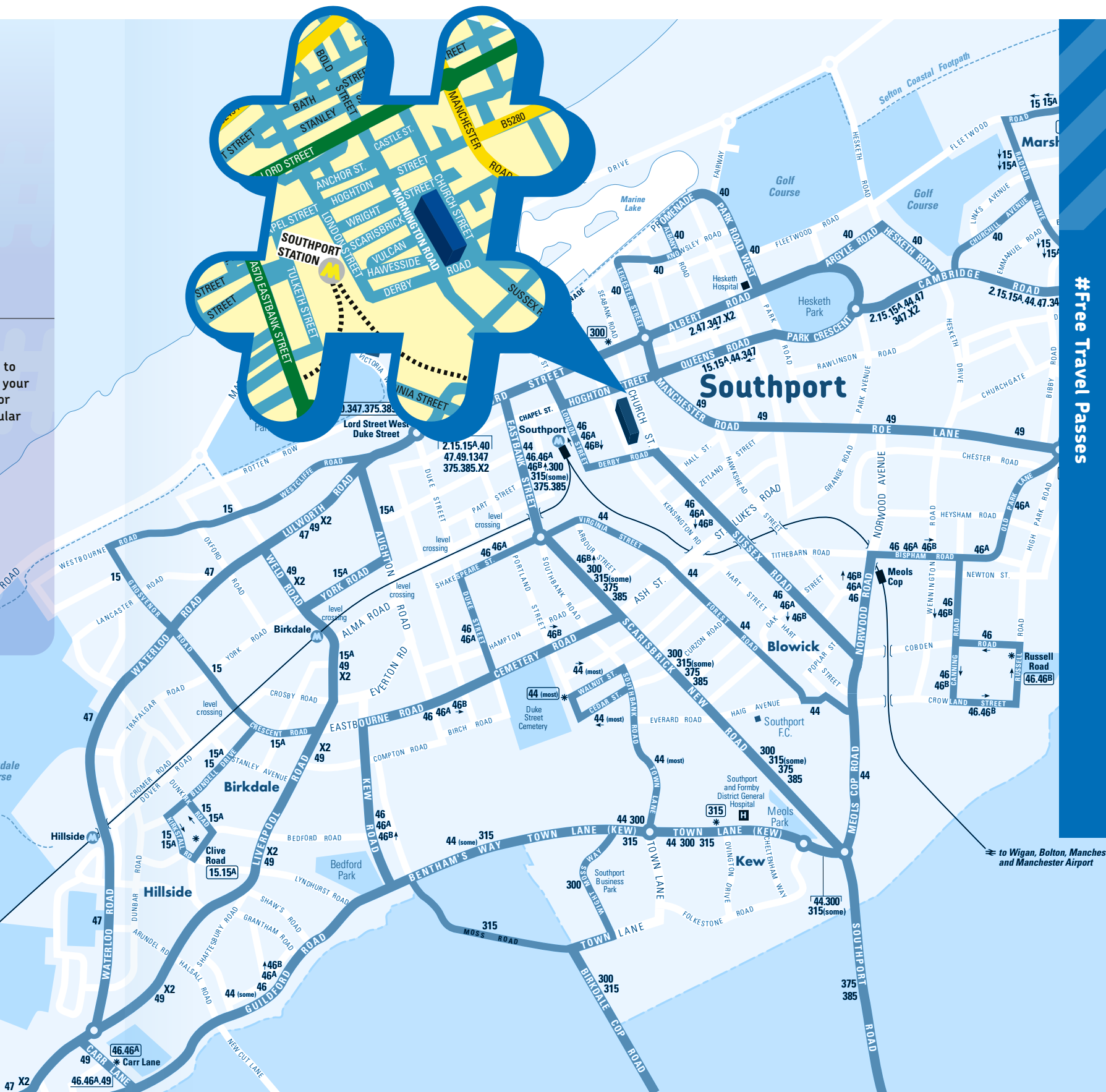
Check out the public transport options from your area. [www.traveline.org.uk](http://www.traveline.org.uk) is a good place to start. Make sure you find out if your chosen public transport operator offers a student ticket or a regular user discount.

# [www.arrivabus.co.uk](http://www.arrivabus.co.uk)

# [www.merseyrail.org](http://www.merseyrail.org)

# [www.stagecoachbus.com](http://www.stagecoachbus.com)

# [www.merseytravel.gov.uk](http://www.merseytravel.gov.uk)





# #Fantastic results & exciting destinations

## University

Many of our students choose to continue their studies at University. Level 3 Extended Diplomas are the equivalent of 3 A-Levels and worth up to 168 UCAS points, which can be used to get on to your chosen degree course.

Universities will set the minimum number of points required for entry on to each course they offer and it means you can work out if you have the right qualifications and grades to apply. Make sure you check the University website for specific entry requirements if you have a particular course in mind.

Our students are now studying at Universities across the country, many of which are those in the Russell Group, including:

- # Bangor University
- # Edge Hill University
- # Exeter University
- # Goldsmiths University
- # Kings College London
- # Leeds College of Art
- # Liverpool John Moores University
- # Liverpool University
- # Manchester Metropolitan University
- # Manchester University
- # University of Central Lancashire
- # York University

## High Level Employment

For all our students the ultimate goal is to get a job in their chosen sector and because of the quality of the experience they have and the level of skills they acquire whilst with us, Southport College students are in demand.

Throughout your time at college, you will have a dedicated Progress Tutor, who is there to help you with career choices and creating job applications that really stand out, so whether you choose to begin your career locally or to move further afield, you will have all the tools you need to help you secure your dream role.

We have recent students who have joined the armed forces or set up their own successful businesses and many others who are now working in high level employment for prestigious companies including:

- # BAE Systems
- # Cooperheat
- # Fletchers Solicitors
- # Formby Hall
- # Lattimer's Engineering
- # Liverpool Women's Hospital
- # Merseyside Police
- # Monkey Puzzle Nurseries
- # Studio 397
- # Southport and Ormskirk Hospital
- # The Royal Navy
- # The Vincent Hotel
- # Toni and Guy

*We are proud to educate and support our students, helping them achieve dreams and ambitions of going to university or straight into high level employment.*

# 99.4%

*of our students who applied to university secured their first choice.*





# #Industry links

## Working relationships

We have close links with many employers in the region, both large and small. This is not only to ensure we are providing our students with the knowledge, attitude and transferable skills employers are looking for when developing their workforce, but through these links we can offer students Apprenticeships, guest speakers, live briefs, valuable work placements and much more.

L'ORÉAL

FLETCHERS SOLICITORS

cae

FORMBY HALL  
GOLF RESORT & SPA

THE VINCENT

Dovehaven Care Homes

Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation

GRAHAM & BROWN

LATTIMER

THE ATKINSON

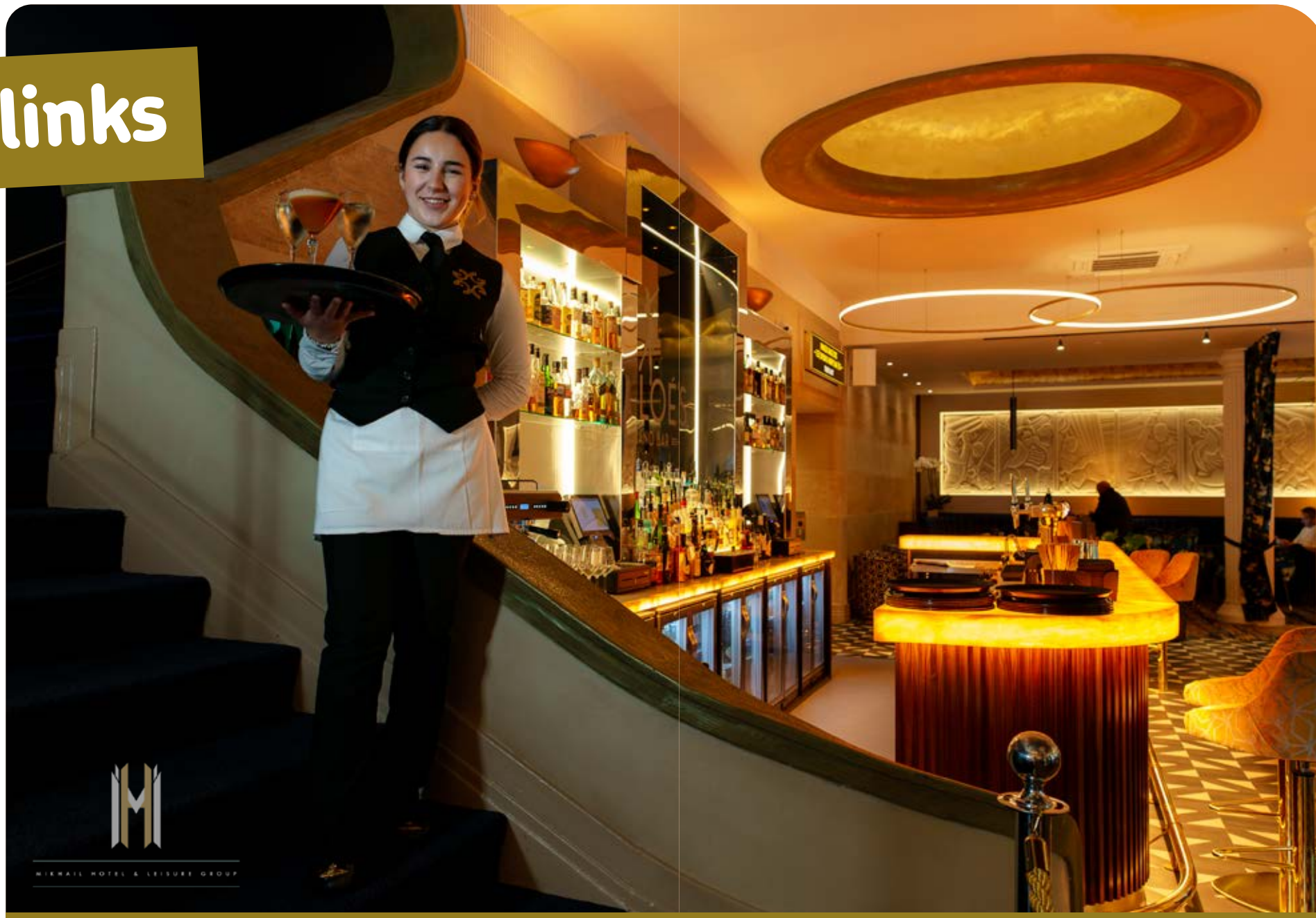
COOPERHEAT

Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust

MD TRAVEL

BLISS HOTEL  
SOUTHPORT

MD TRAVEL



## Mikhail Hotel and Leisure Group

As a local business that is growing rapidly, we are delighted to be able to work with Southport College, giving students valuable first-hand experience of the hospitality industry in our wide range of thriving town centre venues.

Work placements and Apprenticeships are an essential step to successful employment. The skills and knowledge young people learn at college are invaluable, but being

able to then apply them to a real life business is experience you just can't buy!

Whichever sector of the hospitality industry they are working in, students joining us will get to experience the need for top notch customer service, working under pressure and meeting deadlines, all whilst being an integral part of a real team, pulling together. Not forgetting the sparkle and smiles front of house and the fast paced energy, heat and sweat behind the scenes! In our world, the customer is always King (or Queen) and we are here to ensure that all our customers

have a fabulous and unforgettable time.

We make sure all our students get a real flavour of the job and indeed the industry as a whole, so that they are well prepared for full time employment, but at the same time, we ensure they are well trained, mentored and supported every step of the way. We know that happy, confident staff mean happy, satisfied customers!

When our students come to their end of their placements or Apprenticeships

and we believe they have what it takes, we are keen to hold on to their valuable skills and great attitude and have them as permanent members of the team. Some choose to stay and others feel it is time to stretch their wings, but either way, as an employer we know that having that valuable real work experience in the bag makes them a great asset to any company!

**Eimear McElroy | General Manager**

## Some businesses that we have recently worked with

- # Army
- # Bijou Cinema Southport
- # Blackpool Pleasure Beach
- # Bliss Hotel Southport
- # CAE Technology Systems
- # Clynol
- # Cooperheat
- # Decleor
- # Dovehaven Care Homes
- # Dulux Paints
- # Edge Hill University
- # Farmageddon
- # Fletchers Solicitors
- # Formby Hall Golf Resort & Spa
- # Graham & Brown
- # Hamilton Acorn
- # Hogg Robinson UK
- # Ilford & Harman Technology
- # J.A.R.E Airline Training Partnership
- # Jason James Salon
- # Lattimers
- # Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation
- # L'Oreal
- # Mac
- # MD Travel
- # Mikhail Hotel and Leisure Group
- # Monkey Puzzle Day Nursery
- # RAF
- # Royal Academy Arts
- # Samaritans UK
- # Sound City Liverpool
- # Southport Flower Show
- # Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust
- # The Atkinson
- # The Vincent
- # UCLan
- # University of Cumbria



# #We get great feedback

"We are delighted with all aspects of Southport College, in particular with the tutors. Our daughter has blossomed in confidence, enjoys the environment and is making super progress. We couldn't ask for more. Thank you everyone."

"I have found staff at Southport College to be very friendly and approachable. They put everything into helping each individual student to achieve their personal best."

"It has been a very well organised, smooth pathway for my daughter through her first year. No complaints from her so all must be good."

I can't praise the graphics department enough for their mental health support when I was a student. The team are an absolute credit to the college and I'm so grateful to them for all they did for me."

"Since joining Southport College I have seen a dramatic difference in my son. He is so engaged with this course, he's made some great friends and he's just really happy and interested in what he's doing. His tutors have been a fantastic support and he really likes and respects them."

"Since being at Southport College my daughter has grown so much in confidence, acquired friends and is now a happy teenager. Thank you."

*"I have thoroughly enjoyed this year, every single member of staff have been truly amazing."*



# #You can make a difference

*Being a part of the Student Council is a great way of making new friends from different courses, as well as building your confidence and developing teamwork skills; all things that look great on your CV or UCAS Personal Statement.*

## Student Council

Each year the Student Council recruits a number of individuals who act as representatives for their fellow students. They get involved in a range of projects including organising charity events and working with College management giving their input on important college decisions.

## Student Governor

Our Student governors play an crucial role in the development of the College, bringing their invaluable experience as day to day "customers" of the college to help drive it forwards and meet its strategic objectives. They are recruited annually following a formal application and interview process and sit on the board for a 1 year term. If you are interested in applying, please discuss it with your Progress Tutor when term begins.

## Student Reps

Student Reps are elected from each course at Southport College to represent and feedback on the views of their group during regular meetings. If you volunteer to be a Student Rep you will be supported by your Progress Tutor to consult with and gather the opinions of your classmates regarding a number of college topics. You will then feedback and present your findings to key College staff.

**Being a student Rep is a great opportunity to build you confidence and evidence your key communication skills on your CV or UCAS application.**



## Student Governors

### Heather Austin

*Our governing body are responsible for both Southport College and KGV Sixth Form College and student governors can be from either campus.*

*Heather Austin is the current student governor and joined KGV from Formby High School in September 2021. Heather is very keen to make the most of her time at college and encourages others to do so as well.*

*Joining the governing body in November 2021, she is very excited to help shape the future of the colleges and is thankful for the opportunity.*



# #Celebrating your success

## Awards and Celebrations

Here at Southport College our students achieve great things and we love celebrating their success.

Highlights of the year include our glittering Apprenticeship Star Awards in our beautiful Clouds Restaurant, which recognises the outstanding achievers on our apprenticeship programme. Plus our prestigious End of Year Awards Ceremony, held in the theatre and with the shining stars and high fliers from each course receiving recognition.

There are lots of other causes for celebration throughout the year too, not least on the key results days in August, when students are invited in to college to collect their results and join their tutors and fellow classmates for a few celebratory drinks and nibbles, before they head off to their next big adventure!





# #How do you apply?

Our open events are the ideal opportunity to view our fantastic facilities, meet our friendly, industry-experienced tutors, get a real feel for life at Southport College and to prepare for joining us in September.

Families are welcome too and it's the perfect time to find out about our unrivalled student support, travel passes and lots of other important College information.



## #Step 1

### Attend an Open Event

#### Autumn Term

Monday 17 October 2022  
4.30 - 7.00pm

Monday 14 November 2022  
4.30 - 7.00pm

#### Spring Term

Monday 27 March 2023  
4.30 - 7.00pm

## #Step 2

### Apply online at [southport.ac.uk](https://southport.ac.uk).

We advise our students to do this as early as possible as many of our most popular courses do fill up fast!

## #Step 3

After we receive your application, we will invite you to a course discussion to check if the course is right for you. It's also your chance to ask about things such as finance or learning support.

## #Step 4

### Formal offer

Following a positive course discussion you will be offered a place to become a Southport College student.

## #Step 5

### Enrolment

During the summer break all applicants will be sent a link to our application portal. This enables you to check all your details are correct and you've given us all the information we need.

You will then be sent your individual enrolment date and time. This will usually be for either the day of or the day following GCSE results and takes place on campus.

You will need to bring proof of your results, then you complete your enrolment and collect your college ID badge, all ready for term to start.

It's quick and simple and parents or guardians are welcome too.

## #Step 6

### Joining us as a student

Your course will begin at the start of September 2023.

You will receive information about your start date and timetable towards the end of August.

If you have any questions during any of these stages then please get in touch.

Once you've decided on the right course for you, the quickest and easiest way to apply to Southport College is online at [southport.ac.uk](https://southport.ac.uk)



# #Student Information Centre

## Advice and guidance

Coming to College might seem like a big leap from being at school, which is why we have a range of support in place to make the change as easy as possible.

The Student Information Centre is a one-stop shop for any information, advice and guidance you may need before and during your time at College. We aim to ensure that you have the support you need to enable you to make the most of your time at College.

## We can help you with:

- # Information, advice and guidance about courses
- # Impartial careers guidance and support
- # University information and student loans
- # Financial assistance such as travel passes, help with kits, uniforms and childcare
- # Access to the Safeguarding and Welfare Team
- # Counselling support

\*Students aged 16-18 who live more than 3 miles away from the College on a full time course will be eligible for travel passes (or funds where necessary). Students who live 1 to 2.9 miles away from the College and are 16-18 are means tested before passes are issued. Students aged 19 and over will be means tested to assess for eligibility before passes or funds are issued. Other terms and conditions apply. Additional information is available on the application form or through contacting the Student Information Centre.



## Vickie Hayes

*"At Southport College we are passionate about equality and diversity, ensuring that we are inclusive and supportive of all students. In February 2020, we were the first College in the country to be awarded the Rainbow Flag Award, which recognises our commitment to supporting our LGBTQ+ community."*

*"There is a dedicated LGBTQ+ student group and College recruits LGBTQ+ Student Ambassadors each academic year who represent the community at various events across the year. We also host a number of parent/carer LGBTQ+ information sessions each academic year".*

**Head of Learning Support and Inclusion**

## Advice & Guidance

*Throughout your time with us, you will have access to a wide range of information, advice and guidance.*

## Safeguarding & Welfare Support

We recognise our duty of care to students and the wellbeing of our students is paramount at all times. Safeguarding Officers offer support to all learners who may be facing adversity, including those who are Looked After, Young Carers, Teenage Parents or who are under the supervision of the Youth Offending Team.

We also work with learners who are in financial crisis and are able to offer financial support via charitable bursaries (subject to eligibility), housing support and access to local foodbanks.

## Financial Support

### # 16-19 bursaries

This is a fund intended to assist those students who face the greatest barriers to being in education, e.g. care leavers, young people in care and young people in receipt of Income Support. Students who do not qualify for the full £1,200 may still qualify for help from the Bursary Fund with course-related costs, e.g. kit, equipment, uniforms, books. Please ask at your course discussion.

### # Discretionary bursaries

Students who do not meet the criteria for the above, but are facing financial hardship, can apply for help towards uniforms, certain trips, UCAS fees, DBS and other course related costs. Students must have a household income of less than £35,000 as assessed by HMRC, or the family must be in receipt of a means-tested benefit.

### # Travel passes

The College offers students\* who live over 1 mile away from College and study a full-time Further Education course the opportunity to apply for a free travel pass or funds. See page 32.

### # Care to Learn (Childcare support)

Care to Learn provides financial support for young parents. The scheme can pay up to £160 a week towards childcare. You must be aged under 20 on the date you start your course.

For further information call 0800 121 8989.

## Feel safe

Southport College is committed to creating an environment that is safe and welcoming to all students. As a College, our community includes young people aged 14 to 18 and vulnerable adults.

We ask that you wear your student ID badge at all times and our security staff monitor this throughout the day. For this reason and as part of our commitment to safeguard our students and provide a secure place to learn; we ask all potential students to declare if they have a criminal conviction, any pending court cases or if they have been charged with any criminal offence either at application stage or during their course.

You will be asked to complete a declaration at the point of enrolment. If you do have convictions, you won't be automatically excluded from enrolling on a College course; each case will be considered individually.

## Learning Support

### Support for identified students

Identified students who disclose a support need are individually interviewed to assess their needs and the level/type of support or tutoring required. We also regularly review all students receiving support to ensure the most appropriate support is in place.

We are proud to have an outstanding student support structure that is tailored to your individual needs.

### In addition the College has:

- # A Health and Wellbeing Coordinator who coordinates a service for students identified with a medical need, attends first aid calls and can signpost students to relevant outside agencies.
- # Learning support in and out of class
- # Learning Support Suite (to aid the transition to College)
- # Personal care assistants
- # Safe 'time-out' space
- # Social/emotional/behavioural support
- # Supervision at lunch and break time if needed
- # Support and/or screening by our Specialist Tutoring Team for students with specific learning difficulties (SpLDs) in order to apply for access arrangements e.g. extra time, reader, scribe etc.
- # Support with communication skills
- # Transition visits

For further information please contact the Learning Support Team on 01704 392862 or via email on [learningsupport@southport.ac.uk](mailto:learningsupport@southport.ac.uk)



# #Progress Tutors

## Progress Sessions

You will have timetabled sessions with your Progress Tutor where as a group, we'll be discussing a whole host of fascinating topics to help develop your knowledge about society, health and wellbeing and careers, all building your skills for life.

You'll learn all sorts of new things about equality and diversity, budgeting and finance, fake news and much more, all designed to help shape you for your future.

A big part of what we do is preparing you for your future career. So we'll help you build a fantastic CV or UCAS application that will help you into the career, Apprenticeship or University you are dreaming of.

## One-to-one help

You will have one-to-one sessions with your Tutor too, which are excellent opportunities to receive individually tailored support during your time at college.

### We will discuss:

- # Progress in your subjects
- # What support you need in college and how we can help. We can also signpost you to other college services such as careers, welfare and safeguarding
- # What your career goals are and how we can support you to work towards these
- # Help you to make your applications to university, apprenticeships and employment stand out

## What we do

- # Help you to prepare for your future career
- # Offer advice on progression options
- # Support you in completing your qualification
- # Monitor your progress and attendance in college
- # Link you with other support services in the college

*"I love my progress tutor. She gives me lots of feedback and is so helpful and supportive."*

*"My progress sessions have definitely helped me decide what I want to do next and now I'm really excited about the future."*



Student Support

*During your time at Southport College, you will have a dedicated 'Progress Tutor' who is here to offer you support and help you to make progress on your course as well as towards your individual goals.*



# #English & maths



Whatever you are planning to do in the future you will need English and maths.

More and more businesses are insisting their employees have GCSEs in both English and maths at grade four or above and it is an essential part of university entry criteria too.

If you don't already have a grade four in English and maths when you arrive at Southport College, we will create a personalised study programme for you that will fit alongside the course you have chosen and will help you to achieve these vital qualifications.

All you need to achieve and succeed is commitment and engagement.

## Make English work for you

English at the College is very enjoyable and achieving a qualification in it gives you the best opportunity for a fantastic career.

Our caring and professional teachers are experts at supporting students to get the results they need.

Alongside our interactive, student-focused lessons we offer additional support sessions and a range of additional Co-curricular opportunities such as Creative Writing competitions, a reading group and an Amnesty International group for students who want to make a difference.

## What you will study

Your personalised study programme may include:

### GCSE English Language

The GCSE English language course offers modules in Explorations in Creative Reading and Writing and Writers' Viewpoints and Perspectives. The course will help you gain lots of transferable skills that will prove invaluable in the future.

In addition, you are offered the opportunity to practise your presentation and listening skills in the Spoken Language endorsement. As effective communication is so important in a range of careers, this is a useful skill to develop.

### Functional Skills English

#### Entry Level/Level 1

This is a stepping stone to Level 2 Functional Skills or GCSE and provides the building blocks of English such as sentence structure, punctuation, grammar and comprehension.

#### Level 2

An alternative to GCSE if future plans do not require this qualification.

It refreshes topics such as sentence structure, punctuation and grammar but also provides knowledge of how to analyse and interpret meaning in text. You learn skills such as letter, report and article writing, essential for the workplace.

## Make maths work for you

Maths lessons at Southport College are highly interesting and engaging as teachers use a variety of resources including many new interactive platforms to teach with.

Our dedicated maths teachers are experts both in the subject and at supporting students, delivering exciting lessons as well as additional support sessions where appropriate. They are here to fully prepare you for any exams and teach techniques in the classroom that reflect the exam papers.

## What you will study

Your personalised study programme may include:

### GCSE Maths

Requested by most employers and required for entry into university, GCSE Maths is a fantastic qualification to help get you onto the career path you want. We teach the latest syllabus which focuses more on mathematical thinking and problem solving. Some questions in exams are contextually set in the real world so we have an emphasis on using real life problems in the classroom and applying maths techniques to solve them.

### Functional Skills Maths

#### Entry Level/Level 1

If you haven't achieved a GCSE maths grade, we can offer an Entry Level or Level 1 Functional Skills course to prepare you for maths GCSE.



# #Find your vocation

## Preparing you for work

**Our vocational courses mix theory and practical experience designed to prepare you for work.**

Most of our courses offer work experience or a work placement as part of the course and you will also benefit from the industry knowledge of guest speakers and local employers.

Some of our students work on live briefs (projects set up by local employers) that give them the experience of working in that job role.

## Go to University

Vocational qualifications can get you in to University, T Levels and BTEC Level 3 Extended Diplomas being equivalent to three A-Levels. University websites will tell you what grades you need to do a particular degree course.

## Become a specialist

Unlike A-Levels where you would study a number of subjects, vocational qualifications are designed to give you an in-depth knowledge of one subject area.

This will be an advantage when you start your career or head to University as you will already have a detailed understanding of your chosen specialist area. The courses are industry-led which means what you are learning is what you would need to know to work in that sector.

## Earn while you learn

If you are keen to start your career, Apprenticeships are offered from Level 2 all the way up to degree level.

We have strong links with employers giving you great opportunities to work for local companies. Apprenticeships are a great way to get experience and achieve a qualification whilst getting paid.

## A professional qualification

Many of our courses are industry recognised qualifications which means you will be ready to start your career once you have completed the course.

The College has realistic working environments including salons, treatment rooms, a restaurant, kitchens, studios and workshops.

All of these learning areas are designed to give you the experience of working in your chosen career and combined with your qualification, set you up for the next step towards your dream job.



## Dreams & Ambitions

**“Studying Childcare at Southport College helped me into my dream career, working with children!”**

## Georgia Brown

*When I was at Greenbank, I really wanted to study Childcare and Southport College had the best course available in the area. The teachers were brilliant and it was great to do our coursework in the college nursery and classrooms.*

*College gave me a great experience of what it's like working in real nurseries, with children visiting from local childcare providers. We were able to plan and run activities with them and the teachers supported us along the way. As part of my course I did work placement with Kids Planet, which is where I'm proud to say I now work as a Nursery Practitioner.*



# #Get to where you want to be

## Connect (Entry Level)

**Our Connect course is for learners who are working towards Entry Level 2.**

The course is tailored to a student's individual needs and focuses on the transition to College from school as well as preparation for their next step.

It consists of two 1-year courses dependent on the ability/achievements of students. The course is designed to give students the confidence and skills to progress on to one of our vocational courses, work experience through a supported internship or move towards independent living.

## Aspire (Entry Level 3)

**This is a one-year course designed to help students to prepare for their next step on the career ladder.**

Students learn employability and independent living skills and during the course try out tasters in a number of different subjects around College to help them to choose what they would like to progress to next.

## Ambition (Level 1 Pathways)

**Our Level 1 pathways allow learners to explore and gain skills in four exciting vocational areas whilst at the same time developing maths, English and employability skills.**

The course takes a year to complete and there are 4 pathways to choose from. They are a great introduction to the subjects and are designed to help you choose what you might like to progress to at Level 2, or alternatively where you might like to work or start an apprenticeship.

## Level 1

**Available in a wide range of subjects.**

These one year courses are an introduction to your chosen subject. When you have finished the course you will be ready for Level 2, full-time work or an Apprenticeship. For entry requirements, please see the individual course listings.

## Level 2

**One-year courses available in a wide range of subjects.**

You will study your chosen subject in detail as well as put the theory into practice. After you have completed the course you will have the option of progressing to Level 3, looking for full-time work or perhaps starting an Apprenticeship.

Entry requirements for this level vary from course to course; please see the individual course listings.

## Level 3

**These vocational qualifications take one or two years to complete depending on your chosen subject.**

Once you have completed your course you can progress into employment or onto an Advanced or Higher Apprenticeship.

Some Level 3 courses may also give you enough UCAS points to progress to Higher Education. To study a skills-based course at Level 3 you will need a Level 2 qualification in a vocationally related area.

## T Levels

**T Levels are new Level 3 qualifications that are being introduced in various subject areas.**

They are equivalent to 3 A-Levels and focus on technical skills that can help students into skilled employment, university or apprenticeships. We are proud to have been selected to offer T Levels in 7 areas for 2023. Please see page 56.

## Level 3 Extended Diploma

**Along with T Levels these are the vocational equivalent of A-Levels.**

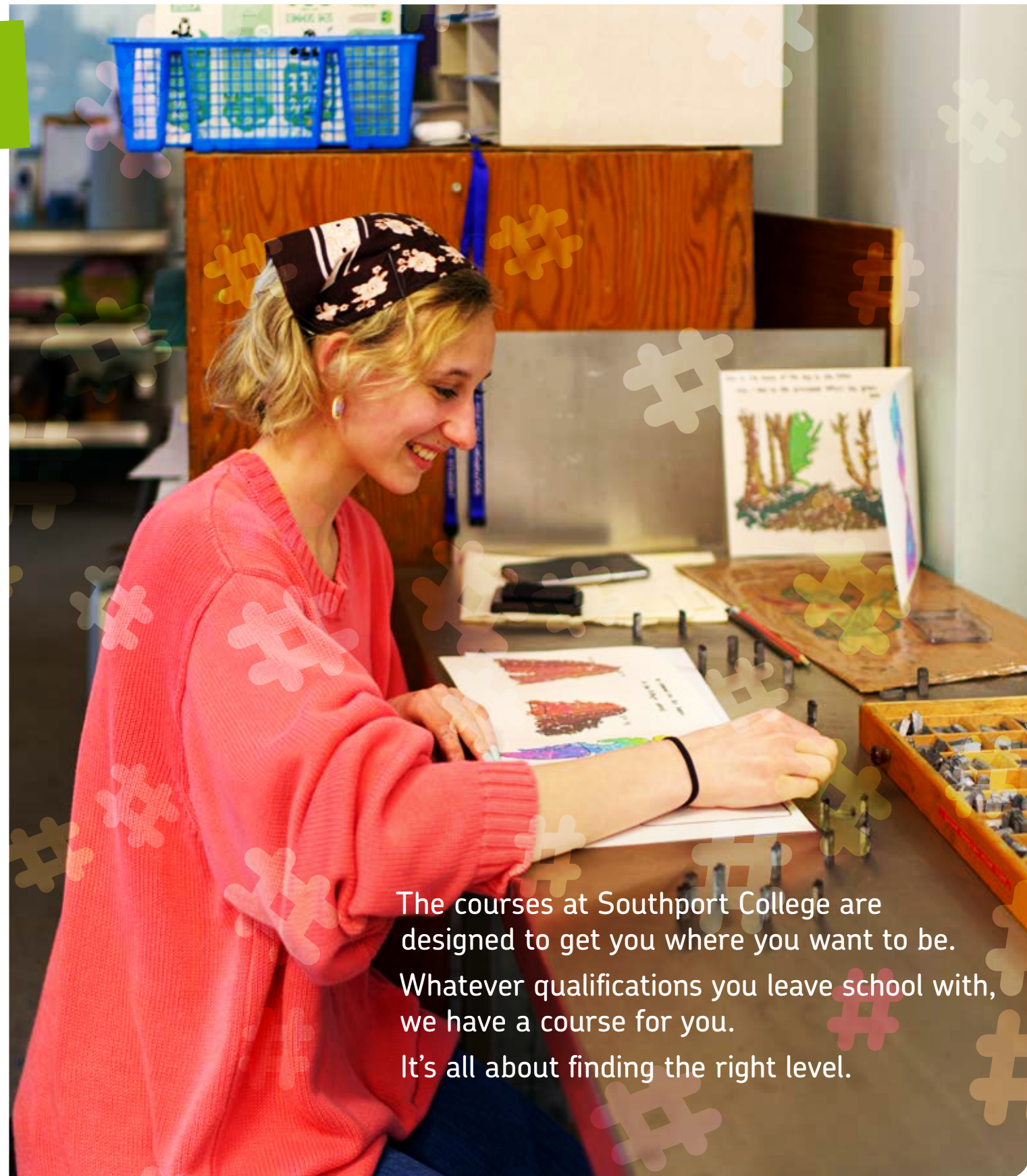
They take two years to complete, give you the UCAS points to apply to University and can be worth the equivalent of three A\*grades at A-Level. They also give you the experience that businesses want so you can apply for a job or an Apprenticeship. To study for an Extended Diploma you will need a minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (A\*-C) including Maths and/or English at grade 4 or equivalent.

## Higher Education

**We also offer a range of higher education courses for students who have completed a Level 3 qualification.**

To find out more call 01704 392704 or visit our website.

**Some courses may have subject-specific entry requirements. Please see the relevant course pages.**



The courses at Southport College are designed to get you where you want to be. Whatever qualifications you leave school with, we have a course for you. It's all about finding the right level.



# #Introducing T Levels

## So what are T Levels?

The 'T' stands for "Technical" and they are Level 3 qualifications that will give 16 to 19 year olds a high quality technical alternative to A-levels.

One T Level is equivalent to 3 A-levels and will attract the same number of UCAS points (depending on the grades achieved), so students can use them to progress to University.

T Levels are a full time programme and are taught in College. However they also include a valuable industry placement for a minimum of 315 hours (approximately 45 days) which is delivered in the workplace. This placement is unpaid and you remain a college student, rather than an employee of the company.

T Levels have been recently introduced and are two-year technical programmes, designed in collaboration with employers, to give young people the skills that industries need.

## What do the courses cover?

The exciting new T Level programmes will provide our students with:

- # The broad knowledge, skills and behaviours necessary for employment in an industry related to their field of study
- # The opportunity to develop specialist technical skills needed for a related occupation
- # Relevant maths, English and digital skills.

Successfully completing a T Level will give you a progression pathway to skilled employment, higher or degree-level apprenticeships and University.

## Are they all the same level?

All our T Levels are the equivalent of studying three A-Levels, allowing you to achieve a maximum of 168 UCAS points.

If you don't quite meet the entry requirements to start a T Level programme, we offer a range of options to help you

This can involve completing a Level 2 qualification alongside any maths or English qualification you need and then start.

For Design, Surveying and Planning students not ready to go directly onto a level three T Level qualification, we offer a T Level Transition Programme. This is a one year course and successful completion will give you the skills needed to move on to the full T Level the following year. See page 86.

## How do I find out more?

We have a fantastic range of T Levels for 2023, with full details of the course and the entry requirements needed on the individual course pages.

- # Carpentry and Joinery – Page 74
- # Education and Childcare – Page 76
- # Digital Support Services – Page 78
- # Design, Surveying & Planning – Page 86
- # Electrotechnical Engineering – Page 90
- # Gas Engineering – Page 102
- # Healthcare – Page 112





# #Apprenticeships

## What is an Apprenticeship?

An Apprenticeship is a job with training and an alternative route into skilled employment.

They are designed in partnership with employers to ensure employees gain the skill they need to do their job well.

Apprenticeships are offered in over 1500 occupations and available to people over the age of 16. How does an Apprenticeship work? Apprentices work alongside experienced staff to gain knowledge, experience and ultimately a qualification in the area they wish to pursue a career in. Apprentices can be paid the National Minimum Apprenticeship Wage or the National Minimum Wage according to age but some apprentices earn significantly more.

As part of the structured programme, apprentices work towards qualifications by studying technical skills and carrying out practical assessments. Depending on your employer and their type of business you may receive training on a day-release basis, where you would attend college one day a week. However for some Apprenticeships, all training is delivered in the work place



## Katie Jones

"Every aspect of college is helping me towards my ambition to become a Gas Engineer. The tutors make it really enjoyable, whilst they know so much about the industry, they are down to earth, friendly and have a great sense of humour.

"I learn something new every day in college. The workshops have every piece of equipment you could imagine and we are taught how to use it all properly. I can then apply the things I learn in college when I'm working with my employer."

Previous School | Burscough Priory Academy

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"After achieving my gas qualification, I'm hoping to work for my employer full-time. Eventually I'd like to become a self-employed gas engineer."*

## Can I do an Apprenticeship?

Apprenticeships can be challenging as you will be working for an employer and training for your job role at the same time. Our checklist below will tell you if an Apprenticeship could be the route for you:

- # You must be over the age of 16 and have completed your GCSEs
- # You must find a job in your chosen sector and have an interest in progressing in that job role
- # You must have a minimum grade 4 in GCSE English and maths or a willingness to improve your English and maths skills
- # Your employer must be willing to offer you an Apprenticeship
- # You will need a good work ethic, excellent timekeeping and a professional approach

## How do I get an Apprenticeship?

### Look for vacancies

Register with the National Apprenticeships Services [www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](http://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship) and view their current vacancies. If you are interested in any of the advertised vacancies you can apply through their website. You can also view the Apprenticeship vacancies on the Southport College website. These are the vacancies where Southport College will deliver the training for those employers.

### Approach employers

You can find your own Apprenticeship by approaching businesses with your CV and a Covering Letter.

Remember to choose businesses that you are interested in working for.

### Join our talent pool

Once you've finished your GCSEs you can join the talent pool at Southport College. We may be able to match you with an Apprenticeship and an employer that suits you.

To join our talent pool send your CV and covering letter to [employer@southport.ac.uk](mailto:employer@southport.ac.uk).

For more information about Apprenticeships at Southport College visit [www.southport.ac.uk](http://www.southport.ac.uk), email [guidance@southport.ac.uk](mailto:guidance@southport.ac.uk) or call 01704 392 704.



# #Lots more for you

## More BTEC and T Level choices

At Southport College we offer the widest range of Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma and T Level Courses in the area, all designed to help you progress in your career and achieve your dreams and ambitions.

KGV also offers a further selection of T Levels and Level 3 BTEC Extended Diplomas, including:

- # Animal Management
- # Applied Science
- # Business
- # Forensic Science
- # Sport (plus BTEC Level 2)
- # Uniformed Public Services

## A-Levels and Mixed Study programmes

We recognise that some students may wish to consider other pathways and our friendly advice and guidance team are always on hand to help you find the right options.

If you are considering A-Levels or a combination of A-Levels and A-Level equivalents, you can find these at our sister campus, KGV.

KGV is a Sixth Form College, just 1.5 miles from Southport town centre and is part of the Southport College family. Here we offer a large selection of advanced level options for 16-19 year olds, including A-Levels, BTEC A-Level Equivalents, BTEC level 3 Extended Diplomas and T Levels.

Applications for KGV Sixth Form College are made separately to those for Southport College and the campus has different dates for its open evenings too.

For more information please visit [www.kgv.ac.uk](http://www.kgv.ac.uk) or call 01704 530601.



A Centre  
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# #A course for you

**#Stop Press**  
**Brand new for 2023**  
Floristry Level 2 and Level 3  
Visit [www.southport.ac.uk](http://www.southport.ac.uk)  
for more information

#A course for you



# #Art & Design



## Dreams & Ambitions

### Dario Ferreira

*"Instead of carrying on at my high school sixth form, I wanted to get out there and try something new.*

*"The facilities are great here and the tutors teach you a wide range of skills, from traditional to digital art forms. You are treated like an adult which encourages you to take responsibility for your future.*

*"The tutors have a real passion for art and got us to enter as many art competitions and exhibitions as possible. Doing this meant my work was displayed in Southport Town Centre for thousands of people to see.*

*"My time at college has helped me create an amazing portfolio and my Progress tutor helped me with my UCAS application, securing me a place at UCLan to study Illustration."*

**Previous School | Christ the King Catholic High School**

***"I'm going complete a degree in Illustration at UCLan and start my own streetwear clothing brand."***

## A career for you

The work of students qualified in art and design can be seen all around you. Paintings and sculptures in galleries, interior design, the latest fashions on the high street, film sets and stages for theatre and concerts are all developed with the input of a qualified artist or designer.

There are so many opportunities available in Art and Design. Previous students have gone to University to study a range of degree courses including Fine Art, Makeup & Special Effects, Fashion, Art History, Surface Pattern and Illustration. University destinations include Leeds College of Art, University of Central Lancashire, Manchester Metropolitan University, St Martins and University of the Arts London. Some students chose to stay on to study one of our range of higher education courses, continuing to take advantage of the great facilities and high quality teaching at Southport College.

## Why you should choose Southport College

Our tutors have all worked as artists or designers and continue to make and exhibit their own work.

They pass on their extensive industry knowledge to students and also help them to prepare to host an end of year exhibition showcasing their hard work to the public and employers.

Our courses prepare students for University, tutors provide strong positive guidance to students and the courses have very successful progression rates.

We deliver the prestigious UAL (University of the Arts London) qualifications which are specially designed to be relevant to the needs of the creative arts industry.

## What you will study

- # Contextual studies
- # Drawing techniques
- # Fashion
- # Life drawing
- # Painting techniques
- # Printmaking
- # Textiles
- # Using Photoshop

## What you can achieve

- # Art Gallery Curator | £18,000-£40,000
- # Art Teacher | £26,000-£44,000
- # Art Therapist | £32,000-£45,000
- # Fashion Designer | £20,000-£51,000
- # Interior Designer | £22,000-£45,000
- # Product Designer | £30,000-£73,000
- # Tattooist | £15,000
- # Visual Merchandiser | £19,000-£30,000

## A course for you

### Level 1 Creative Industries (Ambition)

#### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum two GCSEs at grade 2 or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 3 and English and maths at grade 1.

**Progression** Level 2 course such as Art & Design.

### Level 2 Art & Design

#### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including English and maths or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 functional skills in English and maths.

**Progression** Employment or Level 3 Art & Design.

### Level 3 Applied General in Art & Design

#### Extended Diploma

**Equivalent to Three A-Levels (up to 168 UCAS points)**

#### Two years

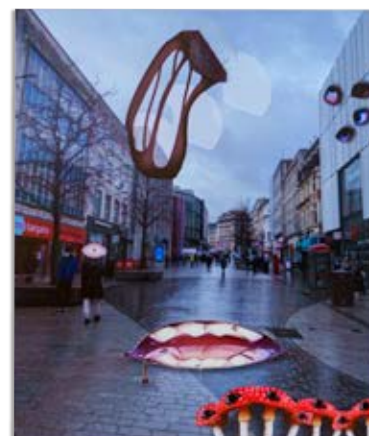
**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including maths and/or English.

Or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Diploma and maths and/or English at Level 2.

**Progression** Employment or University.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference. Applicants will also be required to show a good portfolio of work.**







# #Beauty Therapy

## A career for you

With a growing appetite for new products, treatments and beauty services, the beauty sector has experienced continued growth over the last few years. The beauty sector offers many different career opportunities and our courses are designed to give you the skills to gain employment in this diverse sector.

Students on our Beauty and Nails courses are kept up to date with the latest trends with guidance from employers and HABIA (the hair and beauty industry body).

Once full-qualified you could become a beauty therapist, specialist nail technician, massage therapist, photographic session stylist, makeup artist or salon manager.

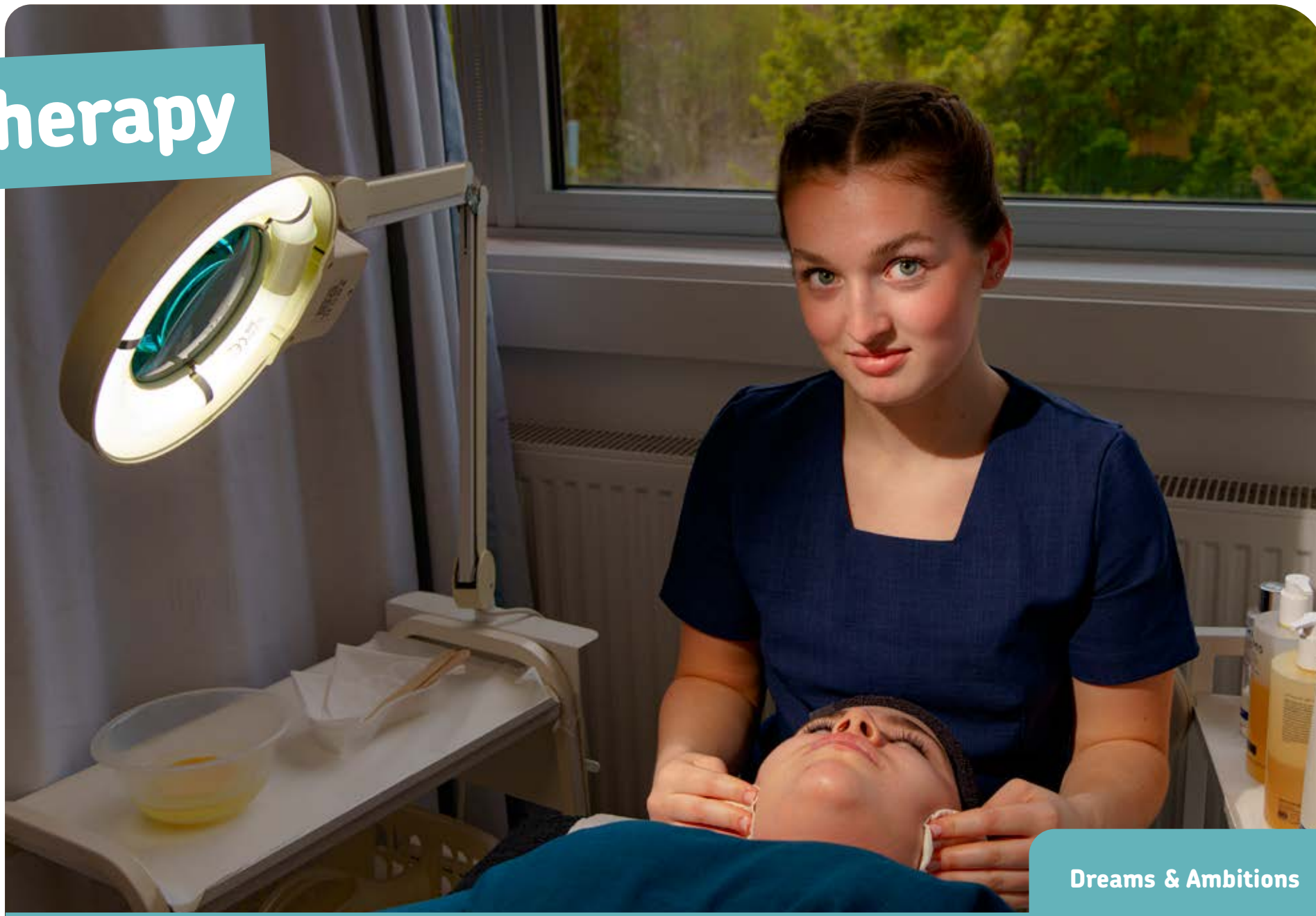
## Why you should choose Southport College

You will be based in Concept, our fully operative, working salons. You will learn all aspects of a busy working salon from the reception, to how to use industry-standard equipment.

There are regular trips and visits organised so students can find out more about working in the beauty sector. These include events such as Salon International, London and the Professional Beauty Show, Manchester where students are able to sample new products and equipment.

Our students take part in professional workshops, charity events and benefit from the industry knowledge of guest speakers and trainers. We work with Elemis, OPI and NSI to help you gain professional product knowledge.

Tutors have extensive industry experience having run their own salons and worked on cruise ships and spas around the world. Students also have opportunities to take part in local, regional and even world skills competitions.



## Nyah Aughton-Rimmer

*"Beauty was all I wanted to study and Southport College offered the course and facilities that I knew would help me succeed. My sister studied here too and she had a great time so I was confident in my choice."*

*"The teachers are very helpful, they are always on top of the equipment so when it comes to practical sessions whether that's facial electrical treatments or hot stone massages, we always have everything we need."*

**Previous School | Stanley High School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I am going to build my clientele and run my own beauty business."*

## What you will study

### Beauty Level 2

- # Anatomy and physiology
- # Facial treatments and skincare
- # Health and safety
- # Infection control
- # Lash and brow treatments
- # Make-up application
- # Manicure and pedicure services
- # Waxing

### Beauty Level 3

- # Anatomy and physiology
- # Client care and communication
- # Facial electrical treatments
- # Hot stone massage
- # Indian head massage
- # Promotion of events
- # Swedish body massage
- # Using pre-blended aromatherapy oils

## What you can achieve

- # Beauty Consultant | up to £30,000
- # Beauty Therapist | £18,000-£25,000+
- # Massage Therapist | £20,000-£40,000
- # Nail Technician | £15,500-£25,000
- # TV Makeup Artist | £200 - 300 per day

## A course for you

### Level 1 Hair & Beauty (Ambition) One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 3 (E), two GCSEs at grade 2 (F) or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 3 and English and maths at grade 1.

**Progression** Level 2 courses such as Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy or Nail Services.

### Level 2 Beauty Therapy Diploma One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D), including English and maths or Level 1 qualification in a related subject with Level 1 Functional Skills in English and maths.

**Progression** Employment or Level 3 course.

### Level 3 Beauty Therapy Treatments Diploma One year

**Entry requirements** Pass at Level 2 in related subject and a minimum grade 4 in English and/or maths or equivalent.

**Progression** Employment or University course such as complementary therapies or spa management.



# #Bricklaying

## A career for you

Where would we be today without bricklayers?

Most of the large structures that we see around us are thanks to the skilled people who put designs into effect. They take an architect's vision and make it a reality.

Within the Liverpool City Region the demand for new homes and work places has significantly increased and as a result there is currently a shortage of qualified bricklayers. Therefore there has never been a better time to train in this much in demand sector.

Choosing bricklaying at Southport College will not only prepare you for a great career with lots of job prospects but it will also enable you to be involved in really helping to shape the region in which you live.

## Why you should choose Southport College

The construction department have strong links with Sefton Council planning department, M&P Surveying and Turner Construction meaning our students may have the opportunity to undertake work placements throughout the course as well as opportunities to work on projects for real businesses.

Industry-standard tools and equipment are used throughout the department and all of our tutors are industry-experienced and pass on their skills and knowledge to the students.



## Liam Roper-Maguire

*"I want to be a bricklayer and learn all the technical skills to build complex structures. Southport College has a much better reputation than other colleges and has given me the chance to learn something new."*

*"The timetable is great, I'm able to study and have a job too. The workshops are good, there's a lot of open space so it doesn't feel cramped and the equipment is excellent. You have always got access to tools and there are more than enough bricks for everyone to use in their projects."*

**Previous School | The Acorns School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I want to be a bricklayer and learn all the technical skills to build complex structures."*

## What you will study

- # Basic cavity walling
- # Complex masonry structures
- # Decorative brickwork
- # Health & Safety principles
- # Principles of Construction
- # Setting out buildings
- # Solid walling

## What you can achieve

- # Bricklayer | £18,000-£40,000
- # Experienced bricklayers can earn up to £50,000

## A course for you

### Level 1 Bricklaying

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Three GCSEs at grade 2 (E)

**Progression** Level 2 course in Bricklaying.

### Level 2 Bricklaying

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Minimum three GCSEs at grade 3 (D), including English and/or maths or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject.

**Assessment** This course contains some externally assessed units.

**Progression** Employment or T Level Construction, Surveying and Architecture.



# #Business

## A career for you

Do you aspire to work in management or imagine yourself as a budding entrepreneur?

Are you interested in current affairs and the world of business?

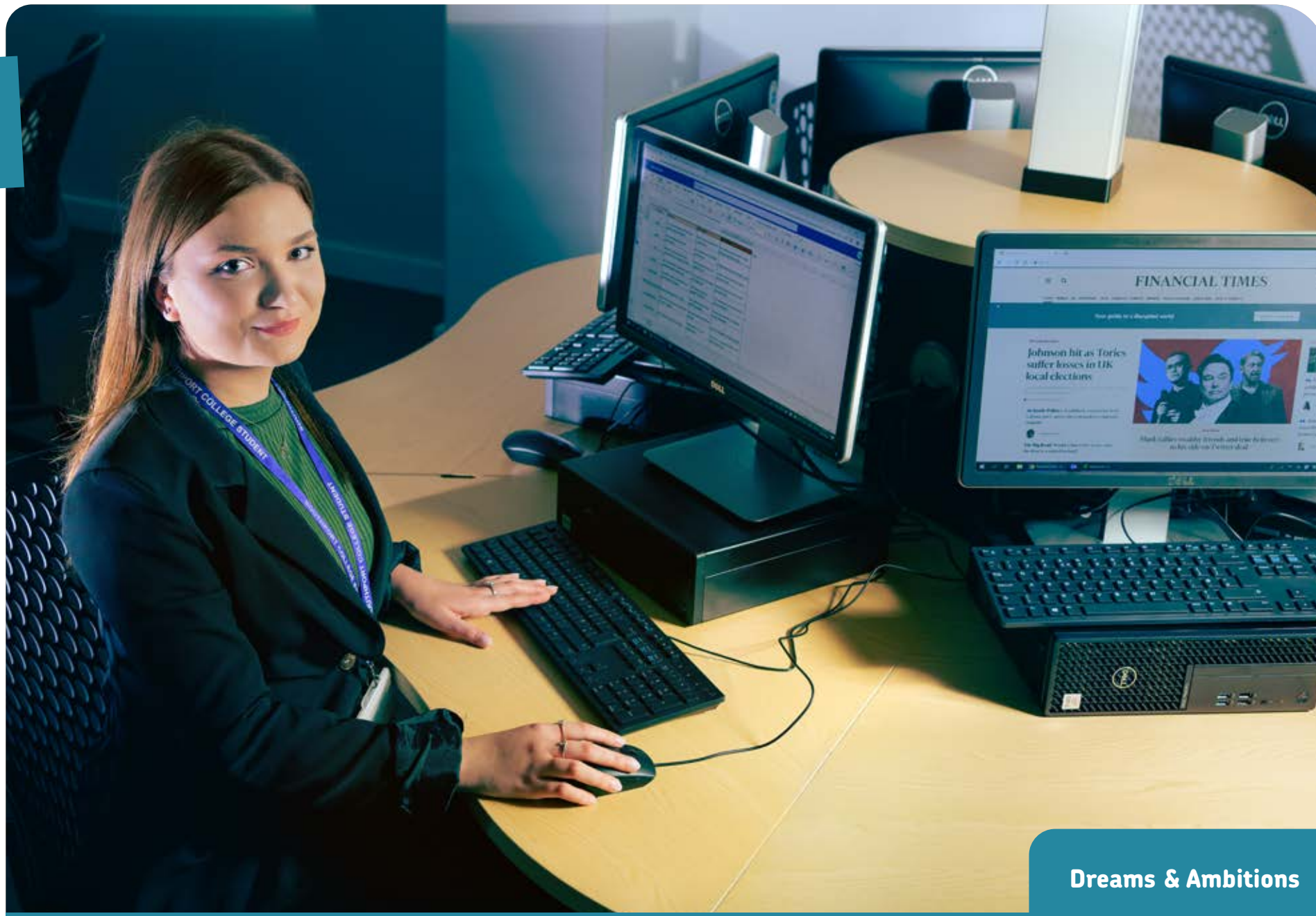
In today's climate there has never been a better time to study this topic. Here at Southport College you will gain an understanding of all elements involved in running a business as well as the detail and depth of knowledge to start a career.

## Why you should choose Southport College

We have industry-experienced tutors who have worked in various business roles.

Students have opportunities to put their knowledge and skills into practice by producing fundraising ideas to raise money for non-profit organisations.

There is an extended placement for all business courses, where students are out on placement, either in blocks, or one day a week, all year.



## Ana Hrisafopol

*"It's important to find a career doing something you enjoy and that also pays well so I want to follow a career in accountancy. I had studied economics and having read about the business course here, I knew it was the right path for me."*

*"The teachers provide useful information for you, they challenge you to work towards your career. It all works really well, the timetable gives you the flexibility to work in college and continue studying at home."*

**Previous School | Madgearu, Romania**

## Dreams & Ambitions

***"I am starting an Apprenticeship in accountancy and will become a fully qualified accountant."***

## What you will study

- # Business Culture
- # Communication
- # Creating documentation
- # Customer service
- # Responding to change

## What you can achieve

- # Accounting Technician | £20,000-£36,000
- # Buyer | £25,000-£50,000
- # Chartered Accountant | £30,000-£89,000
- # Marketing Manager | £27,000-£65,000
- # Retail Manager | £22,000-£42,000

## A course for you

### Level 2 Diploma in Skills for Business

#### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and 2 GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including English and maths or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in English and maths.

**Progression** Apprenticeship or BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Business at KGV Sixth Form College.



# #Carpentry & Joinery

## A career for you

Studying Carpentry and Joinery will help you develop the knowledge and skills needed for working in the Onsite Construction Industry and prepare you to enter the industry either through employment or as an Apprentice.

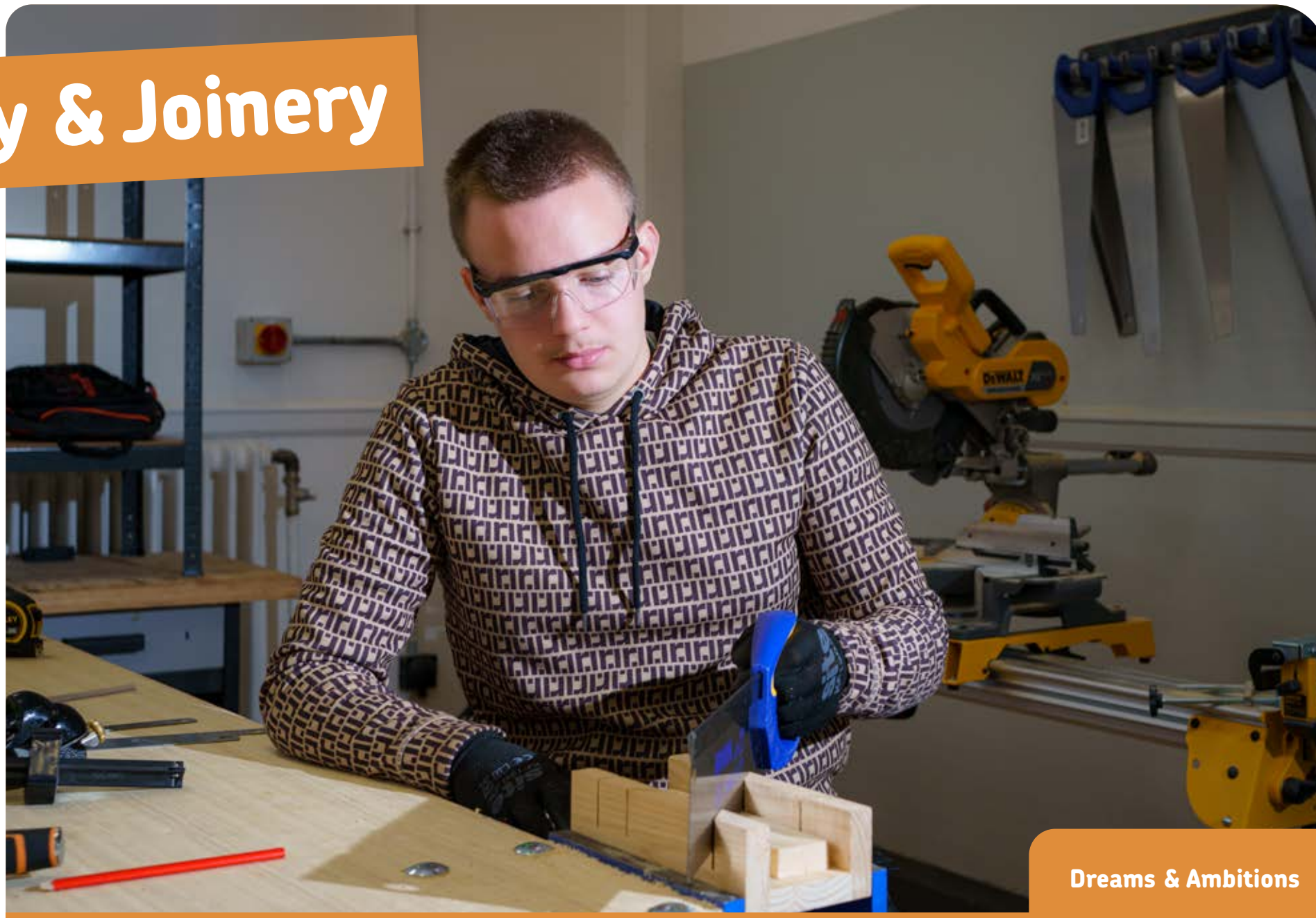
Alternatively, after successfully completing the T Level, you could choose to progress onto related higher education courses and training instead.

The technical qualification is made up of two components, both of which need to be successfully achieved.

## Why you should choose Southport College

Our experienced and supportive construction department work closely with local employers, who actively contribute to the course, ensuring you are learning the skills the industry needs and values. These employers will regularly provide demonstrations and talks on the industry and where possible also provide valuable work placements.

The department uses industry standard tools and equipment on a daily basis and you will learn traditional methods along with up-to-date techniques and industry best practice. All our tutors are highly qualified industry experienced craftspeople and will pass on their skills and knowledge to you throughout the course.



## Damian Siwinski

*"I wanted to study something more practical and having heard lots of good things about the College and the course, I really wanted to go for it.*

*The teachers here have great personalities, they listen to you and respect you. It's very practical and the workshops have lots of brand new, quality equipment for us to work with."*

**Previous School | Stanley High School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I'm going to find a specialism and work in the building and construction industry."*

## What you will study

- # Carpentry and Joinery skills and knowledge
- # Construction design principles
- # Health and safety
- # Management in construction
- # Digital technology in construction
- # Sustainability principles

## What you can achieve

- # Qualified Carpenter and Joiner  
£19,000 - £50,000
- # Site Supervisor (with additional Training)  
£25,000 - £35,000
- # Site Manager (with additional training)  
£27,000 - £45,000

## Level 1 Carpentry & Joinery One year

**Entry requirements** 3 GCSEs at grade 2 or above or a Diploma at Entry Level 3 or equivalent.

**Progression** Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery.

## Level 2 Carpentry & Joinery One year

**Entry requirements** 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English and/or maths; or a Level 1 diploma in a related subject.

**Progression** Level 3 T Level Carpentry and Joinery.





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### Dreams & Ambitions

## Grace Formby

"I met the tutor at an Open Evening and she was so fun and exciting. She told me all about how much of the course is practical based and I'll be on placements in real schools and nurseries. I find being hands-on is better than just doing theory work in classrooms all day.

"College is as much a social experience as it is getting an education. You spend lots of time with your friends and you're always with the same group for lessons; we all get on really well. We learn lots and get loads of experience too.

"Placement days in the college nursery are so nice, babies and toddlers come in from local nurseries which gave me lots of experience with children before going into my actual placements."

**Previous School | Greenbank High School**

*"I am going to  
Dallas, USA to  
be an Au Pair  
for a year or so.  
I'll then do a  
degree at  
Norland College  
and become a  
'Norland Nanny.'"*

### A career for you

Children are our country's future so it is imperative that the care offered is of a very high standard.

Only those qualified and with experience will be successful in gaining a career in the industry.

Childcare requires careful planning and preparation, a wide skill set and the ability to work with others.

Many of our childcare students move straight into employment in local nurseries and early years settings with some choosing to work overseas as au pairs, nannies and childcare agency staff. Other students progress on to higher education studying degrees such as Early Years Education, Primary Teaching, or Working with Children and Young People.

### Why you should choose Southport College

Our Childcare department has been part of a £2.6million refurbishment creating one of the most modern learning environments in the region, with unique learning spaces with simulated nurseries, state-of-the-art facilities and open plan work spaces with industry-specific equipment to practice skills, a designated playroom and realistic baby simulators.

Our tutors all have extensive industry knowledge in areas such as nursing, play worker, nursery nurse, child minder, police officer and teacher.

We have strong links with local nurseries who regularly bring in children, allowing students to plan, run and observe activities with children, further enriching our students' experience.

### What you will study

- # Being a reflective practitioner
- # Children's development
- # Children's literacy and mathematics
- # Children's play and development
- # Health & safety
- # International perspectives of early years education
- # Legislation and current frameworks
- # Observation and assessment of children
- # Personal and professional practice
- # Preparing children for school
- # Principles for early years provision
- # Safeguarding
- # Working in partnership

### What you can achieve

- # Early Years Practitioner | £18,000-£27,000
- # Early Years Teacher | £25,000-£36,000
- # Paediatric Nurse | £25,000-£39,000
- # Primary School Teacher | £25,000-£41,000
- # Youth Worker | £18,000-£33,000

### A course for you

#### Level 1 Caring Professions (Ambition)

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Minimum 2 GCSEs at grade 2 and English and maths at grade 1 or completion of Aspire and Entry Level 3 and English and maths GCSE or equivalent at grade 1.

**Progression** Level 2 related course, employment or apprenticeship.

#### Level 2 Certificate in Working with Children in Early Years and Primary Settings

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Minimum of 3 GCSEs at 9 - 4 which must include English and maths or a Pass in a related Level 1 qualification and grade 4 or above in English and maths.

**Progression** Transition to T Level Education and Childcare, or Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator).

#### T Level Education and Childcare Two years

**Entry requirements** Minimum of 5 GCSEs at 9 - 4 which must include grade 4 or above in English and maths or a Pass in a related Level 2 qualification and grade 4 or above in English and maths.

**Progression** You can progress into employment in a wide range of childcare and education settings or study university degrees in areas such as play work, teaching, youth work, social work, childhood studies, leadership and management and paediatric nursing related degrees.



# #Computing & Digital Support Services

## A career for you

The digital world is expanding rapidly and effects almost every business we interact with, in some way.

With this in mind, employees with strong digital knowhow and a competent skillset in this field will undoubtedly be highly sought after.

This exciting T Level course is suitable for anyone wanting a career in digital support.

You will gain the essential knowledge and skills to work in a variety of digital roles by developing a high understanding of data and digital systems, how software and business interact, security, testing, planning and legal issues.

## Why you should choose Southport College

We are delighted to be able to add this brand new Level 3 T Level to our thriving IT and Digital department.

This technical qualification will give you the knowledge and underpinning concepts, theories and principles as well as core skills for the digital sector, whilst the same time providing you with the knowledge and skills required to enter employment or further study in the specific digital support arena.

All our supportive and friendly tutors are passionate about all things IT and digital, plus still work in the industry, meaning they are up to date with all the latest developments and can pass this on to our students.

As part of the T Level, you will undertake a sizeable valuable work placement, giving you real industry experience and a chance to put your new skills in to practice

Assessment is via written examination and an employer set project and synoptic assignments.



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## Lewis Greslow

*"The course had everything that I wanted to try, I've learned so much whilst I've been here because the tutors are just so good. They're friendly and have been so helpful and supportive along my learning journey."*

*"The equipment at college is great, from the computing lab to the computers themselves, we've got access to everything we need and the tutors are always on hand to ask for help. Everything at college has given me the confidence to apply for and secure a job as an IT Support Technician."*

**Previous School | Chesterfield High School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I have just started a job as 1st and 2nd line IT Support Technician and I'm going to make my way up the career ladder."*

## What you will study

- # Culture
- # Data
- # Digital Analysis & Environment
- # Legislation
- # Planning
- # Security
- # Testing
- # Tools

## What you can achieve

- # IT Support Technician | £16,000-£35,000
- # IT Helpdesk Technician | £19,000-£33,000
- # IT Service Engineer | £25,000-£45,000

## A course for you

### Level 2 ICT

#### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including English and maths or Level 1 Diploma in related subject and Level 1 English language and maths.

**Progression** With a merit, Level 3 Extended Diploma courses such as Computing or an Apprenticeship.

### T Level Digital Support Services Two years

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 (A\*-C) including Maths and English or pass or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and Maths at Level 2

**Progression** An IT related Degree, or employment or higher apprenticeship in either the IT Industry or the IT department of a large company.

Our Computing and IT department has been part of a £1.3m refurbishment introducing new, modern teaching and learning environments and well equipped technology workshops.



# #Construction Multi Skills

## A career for you

Almost 3 million people are employed in the construction industry in the UK, which is around 10% of all the jobs in the country! Whilst it's a varied industry comprising roles in many different trades, more recently there has been a growing demand for employees to have skills in a range of areas, so that they can bring a multi skilled approach to the workforce.

This new Construction Multi Skills course is designed exactly with this in mind and will provide you with the skills you need across the key disciplines of carpentry & joinery, brickwork, painting & decorating and plastering, to help you progress and succeed in the valuable construction industry.

## Why you should choose Southport College

We have a thriving construction and trades department, with newly built state of the art workshops, industry standard equipment and highly experienced supportive tutors who are also industry professionals themselves.

We work closely with local employers to ensure that the skills you are learning are exactly what they are looking for and this tailored made course will introduce you to the 4 key fields of the industry - carpentry & joinery, brickwork, painting & decorating and plastering. You will then learn, develop and practise the skills required for employment and/or career progression in all or one of the fields.



## Dreams & Ambitions

### Plasterer | Nathan Nealis

It's such a good course, I'm learning a whole load of new skills in the building trade whilst making lots of friends. It's really going to help with my plans to work in property development.

Previous school Formby High School

### Bricklayer | Issy Mahoney

I couldn't do something so exciting and varied at my high school sixth form. I'm getting to try all the trades with amazing teachers who are so helpful and understanding.

Previous school Greenbank High School

### Painter | Aimee Grove

This course is great, it's all hands on and there's something different to try every day. It's helping with my plans to start my own business and become my own boss.

Previous school Meols Cop High School

### Carpenter | Gergo Tari

I love to design and make things so want a hands on career in a construction role. I really like the teachers and the students here and we get lots of great practical sessions.

Previous school Stanley High School

## What you will study

This exciting course is aimed at those who want to work in the construction industry and will cover the following areas, giving you basic skills in each and the grounding to specialise afterwards should you so wish.

- # Site carpentry
- # Bench joinery
- # Shop-fitting joinery
- # Wood machining
- # Plastering
- # Rendering
- # Wall papering
- # Painting
- # Bricklaying
- # Principles of Building
- # Use of carpentry, joinery and portable power tools
- # Health, Safety and Welfare

The course work is continually assessed in both practical and theoretical areas. There is also online testing at the end of each unit.

## What you can achieve

- # Bricklayer | £16,000-£23,000
- # Painter and Decorator | £19,000-£30,000
- # Carpenter and Joiner | £24,000-£38,000
- # Plasterer | £18,000-£35,000

## A course for you

### Level 1 Construction Multi Skills (Ambition)

#### One year

**Entry requirements** GCSEs at grade 2 or above, maths and English at grade 1 or completion of Aspire course and maths and English at grade 1.

**Progression** Full level 1 or 2 diploma with City & Guilds in any of disciplines undertaken on the Construction Multi Skills course.

### Level 2 Construction Multi Skills

#### One year

**Entry requirements** 3 GCSEs at grade 3 or a Diploma at Level 1 or equivalent. Satisfactory College assessment in English and maths. Satisfactory reference & interview.

**Progression** Full level 2 qualification diploma with City & Guilds in any of disciplines undertaken on the Construction Multi Skills course or a T-Level (Level 3) in surveying and planning.



# #Creative Media & Photography



## Molly Rose Wilson Kerr

*"I have really enjoyed the course, it looked great before I started and has been just as good, if not better! I really like the teachers, they've taught me lots of technical knowledge about the science of photography and how to get the most out of camera settings."*

*"I enjoy being here as we are allowed lots of freedom. I can drop into the studios any time I like to set up things like portraiture and product photography or shoot on green screen. The technician will always help me with using the college cameras and lights and I've spent hours upon hours in the dark room learning and experimenting with photographic techniques."*

**Previous School | Les Mar Serena, Spain**

### A career for you

The media industry is vast and lucrative with many avenues for employment.

The Level 3 UAL Extended Diploma is a rigorous specialist vocational programme, with assignments that are based on realistic industry scenarios. The course covers a range of disciplines designed to maximise the learners' skills base & self confidence and improve employability.

### Why you should choose Southport College

We have the best facilities in the area: fully equipped darkroom, Mac suites, photography and TV studios.

You learn through "live" work-based projects and scenarios with the chance to try out the roles of director, producer, editor, camera operator and stills photographer. You will study subjects that incorporate Film/TV and Photography and develop your knowledge and professionalism in a wide variety of disciplines. You will have access to our professional TV and Photography Studios, as well as a range of specialist camera equipment. You will develop your technical and creative skills to create modern, engaging content and by the end you will have compiled a portfolio of work to use to progress to University or to work in the media industry.

### Dreams & Ambitions

***"After completing my BA Hons in Photography at UCLan, I hope to launch my own photography business and gallery, employing a team of people to work for me."***

### What you will study

- # A day in the life short video
- # Music video and album cover production
- # Personal development production
- # Radio news report production
- # Website development production
- # Final major project

### What you can achieve

- # Media Producer | £25,000-£78,000
- # Photographer | £19,000-£39,000
- # Sound Engineer | £23,000-£50,000
- # Trainee Camera Person | £18,000-£23,000

### A course for you

#### Level 1 Creative Industries (Ambition)

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Minimum two GCSEs at grade 2 or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 3 and English and maths at grade 1.

**Progression** Level 2 course such as Art & Design.

#### Level 2 Creative Media Production

**Two years**

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D), including English and maths or Level 1 Diploma in related subject and Level 1 English language and maths.

**Progression** Level 3 course such as Creative Media Production, Graphic Design, or Games and Animation or Apprenticeship.

#### Level 3 Creative Media Production & Photography

**Equivalent to three A-Levels (up to 168 UCAS points)**

**Two years**

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and maths at Level 2.

**Progression** University, Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Photography (HNC) at Southport College University Centre, Employment in Creative Media industry.



# #Creative Media & Photography





# #Design, Surveying & Planning

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## Connor secures £5,000 bursary

Now studying at the Manchester School of Architecture, Connor is one of only 10 students in the UK to have been awarded a £5,000 bursary, courtesy of Bursary Beyond Price. This annual award is offered in support of talented people from disadvantaged and low-income backgrounds who wish to study Architecture.

Connor's bursary is for the purposes of acquiring the relevant personal equipment and resources to carry out his studies in Manchester. To apply, he had to submit a 300-word statement of intent, describing why he wanted to study Architecture, and where.

In addition, he was asked to show a single piece of work that he has made. He chose to submit a 3D render of a studio in the woods where he envisages working when he becomes a fully qualified architect. The model was created using Revit and rendered with Twinmotion, achieving a photorealistic look.

Having built great relationships during his time here, Connor keeps in touch with the college and his tutors, telling us "I feel proud to be recognised for my work. Winning the bursary means I can enjoy my first year of uni stress free about finances."



## Dreams & Ambitions

### Connor McCarty

"I chose Southport College because of all the places that offered Construction, this one felt the most welcoming when I visited at open evening. I'm glad I did, I really enjoy my course, it's very hands on and practical and the tutors are just brilliant."

"I have the freedom to design whatever I want as part of my coursework. I have designed lots of different homes and I particularly enjoyed designing a concept for a pop-up bar using sustainable materials. My design incorporated a combination of used shipping containers with glass and steel."

Previous School | Maricourt Catholic High School

**"I am going to Manchester School of Architecture to continue studying architecture at degree level and then become an architect."**



# #Design, Surveying & Planning

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## A career for you

Ever looked up at the buildings around you and thought, wow that's pretty impressive?

Well these buildings are an immense collaboration between the designers or architects, surveyors and the builders who physically put a structure together.

Did you know that people trained in architecture and surveying are some of the most sought after in the Liverpool City Region and these areas have recently been identified as having a skills shortage locally?

That means there's never been a better time to train in Construction, Surveying and Architecture as there are so many job opportunities to be grasped.

We as a College are proud to offer this course and focused on delivering an education that will shape the future of our local region and the built environment sector. You could contribute to the improvement of not only building technologies but also people's lives as a whole.

## Why you should choose Southport College

The construction department have strong links with Sefton Council planning department, M&P Surveying and Turner Construction meaning our students may have opportunities to work on projects for real businesses as well as the opportunity to take place in work placements throughout the course.

Industry-standard tools and equipment including realistic CAD suite and computer rooms are used throughout the department and all of our tutors are Industry-experienced tradespeople and pass on their skills and knowledge to the students.



## Travis Nolan

*"I wanted to study a course that was practical and be assessed on my work rather than exams so Construction at Southport College felt like the natural start of my career path into the industry."*

*"It's great being able to work with tutors that have been in the industry, you're confident that they actually know what they are talking about. We have a great relationship with them too, they're good at getting the balance right between teaching and guiding us but giving us enough freedom and responsibility for our own work."*

**Previous School | Birkdale High School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I am going to be an architect and will study a degree at Manchester School of Architecture."*

## What you will study

- # CAD
- # Civil engineering
- # Highway construction & maintenance
- # Project management
- # Surveying
- # Sustainable construction

## What you can achieve

- # Architect | £30,000-£75,000
- # Civil Engineering | £25,000-£41,000
- # Construction Project Manager | £25,000-£79,000
- # Quantity Surveyor | £26,000-£60,000
- # Site Manager | £30,000-£65,000

## A course for you

### T Level Transition Programme Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction

#### One year

**Entry requirements** 3 GCSEs grade 9-4 (A\* - C) including maths.

Progression Level 3 T Level, Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction

Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.

### T Level Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction Equivalent to three A-Levels (up to 168 UCAS points)

#### Two years

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English and maths or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and maths at Level 2.

**Progression** Wide range of related degrees and careers including Civil Engineer, Technical Surveyor and Geo-spatial Technician.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**



### Want to know more about Construction, Surveying & Architecture?

Scan the QR Code above and then click on an option and you will be taken to an overview of possibilities within the industry.



# #Electrical Engineering



## Josh Wilson

*"The tutors are brilliant here, they know so much and will help you find the answer to anything."*

*"Level 3 can be quite heavily maths-based but if you're ever struggling, they'll show you the easiest way to work things out."*

*"The facilities are excellent too; the NAPIT room is packed with lots of things like motor, shower and lighting circuits as well as everything you'd work on in real life. College is in a handy location and even though I can drive, I tend to use the free bus pass they gave me to get here."*

**Previous School | Ormskirk High School**

### Dreams & Ambitions

*"I'm going on to do an Apprenticeship with AMP EV and would eventually like to run my own business."*

### A career for you

The electrotechnical industry is responsible for electrical installation in all types of buildings including data-cabling and fibre optics. Electrical installation is at the forefront of improving the energy efficiency of the UK's homes and businesses. It is also developing new technologies to meet the demand for renewable energy systems. Our courses provide you with the regulation knowledge, practical skills and the science required for electrical installation work, combining workshop sessions with theory lessons.

### Why you should choose Southport College

Our courses are recognised in the electrical installation industry and students have the opportunity to become fully qualified as an approved electrician through the Competent Persons Scheme (CPS).

Our purpose-built workshops are equipped with the latest equipment to prepare students for working in the industry and students are regularly kept up to date with the latest industry developments.

### What you will study

- # Basic installation
- # Circuit design
- # Electrical principles
- # Electrotechnology
- # Fault diagnosis and repair
- # Inspection testing and commissioning

### What you can achieve

- # Many qualified electricians set up their own businesses and experienced workers can earn upwards of £35,000.

### A course for you

#### Level 1 Electrical Installation One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum of GCSE English and maths at grade 3 or above.

**Progression** Level 2 Electrical Installation or Apprenticeship.

#### Level 2 Electrical Installation One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum four GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English at grade 3 and maths at grade 4 or Level 1 qualification in a related subject.

**Progression** Level 3 Electrical Installation or Higher Apprenticeship.



# #Engineering

## A career for you

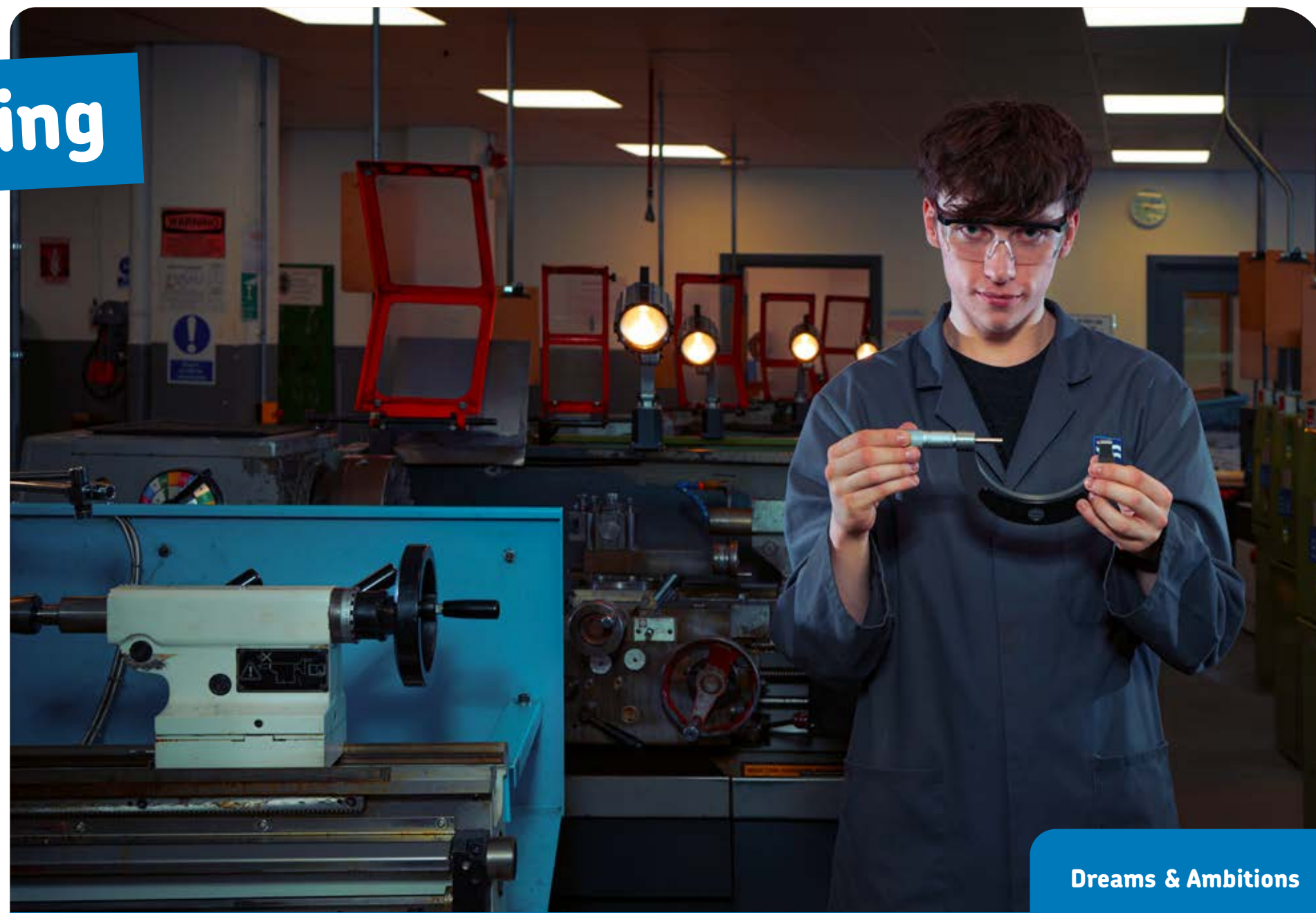
The role of the engineer is to problem-solve. Their fields of expertise range from engineering systems at the molecular level (nanotechnology) to the construction of the world's largest structures.

The list of engineering disciplines includes electrical, electronic, mechanical, aeronautical, civil, control and automotive and nearly 20% of the UK workforce consists of Engineers. Engineering students have numerous career options to choose from. At Southport College, our courses focus on mechanical and microcontroller systems engineering. Typically, you could be in a CAD (Computer Aided Design) suite planning your designs one day then the next day, manufacturing your designs in the fully equipped workshop.

## Why you should choose Southport College

Our Engineering department has benefited from huge investments, providing students with state of the art facilities, hundreds of thousands of pounds worth of machinery and equipment and an e-learning classroom.

All of our tutors are industry-experienced engineers who pass on their wealth of skills and knowledge to students using industry-standard machines and equipment. A variety of teaching methods and resources are used in both the workshops and the classrooms to help students prepare for work in the industry.



## Brandon Burgess

*"I knew I was making the right choice coming to Southport College, it's a great place to be and there's always lots to do. I like being in my class, we have a laugh whilst we are getting the work done. There's a great atmosphere and we have a great relationship with our tutors."*

*"It's easy to ask tutors for their help and your friends are equally as willing to support you with things like machining or the maths and theory side of things. On our breaks I like being able to go to the canteen to play table tennis or bob into town for lunch."*

**Previous School | Meols Cop High School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I'm going to study towards a PhD in Aerospace Engineering at Brunel University and follow a career designing rockets for travel and defence."*

## What you will study

- # AutoCAD/Solidworks
- # Computerised Numerical control (CNC)
- # Mechanical Maintenance
- # Developing and coding PLC microcontroller systems
- # Fabrication
- # Maths
- # Traditional conventional machining

**In order to experience a real working environment, students will visit international companies such as:**

- # BAE Systems Salmesbury (aeronautics)
- # BAE Systems Barrow-in-Furness (nuclear submarines)
- # Leyland Trucks

**Other Co-curricular activities may include:**

- # Go-karting in Burscough
- # Museum of Science and Industry, Manchester
- # West Lancashire Steam Railway

## What you can achieve

- # Aerospace Engineer | £25,000-£52,000
- # Electronic Engineer | £26,000-£60,000
- # Mechanical Engineer | £20,000-£52,000
- # Welder | £20,000-£34,000

## A course for you

### Level 2 Engineering One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including English and maths or Level 1 qualification in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills.

**Progression** Level 3 Engineering, Level 2 Electrical Installation, Level 2 Vehicle Engineering or employment/ Advanced Apprenticeship.

### Level 3 Engineering Two years

**Equivalent to three A-Levels (up to 168 UCAS points)**

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including maths or Pass in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and maths at Level 2.

**Assessment** This course contains some externally assessed units. Students will also be required to undertake a placement in industry.

**Progression** Employment, Higher Apprenticeship or degree on a University course such as HNC Engineering at Southport College.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**



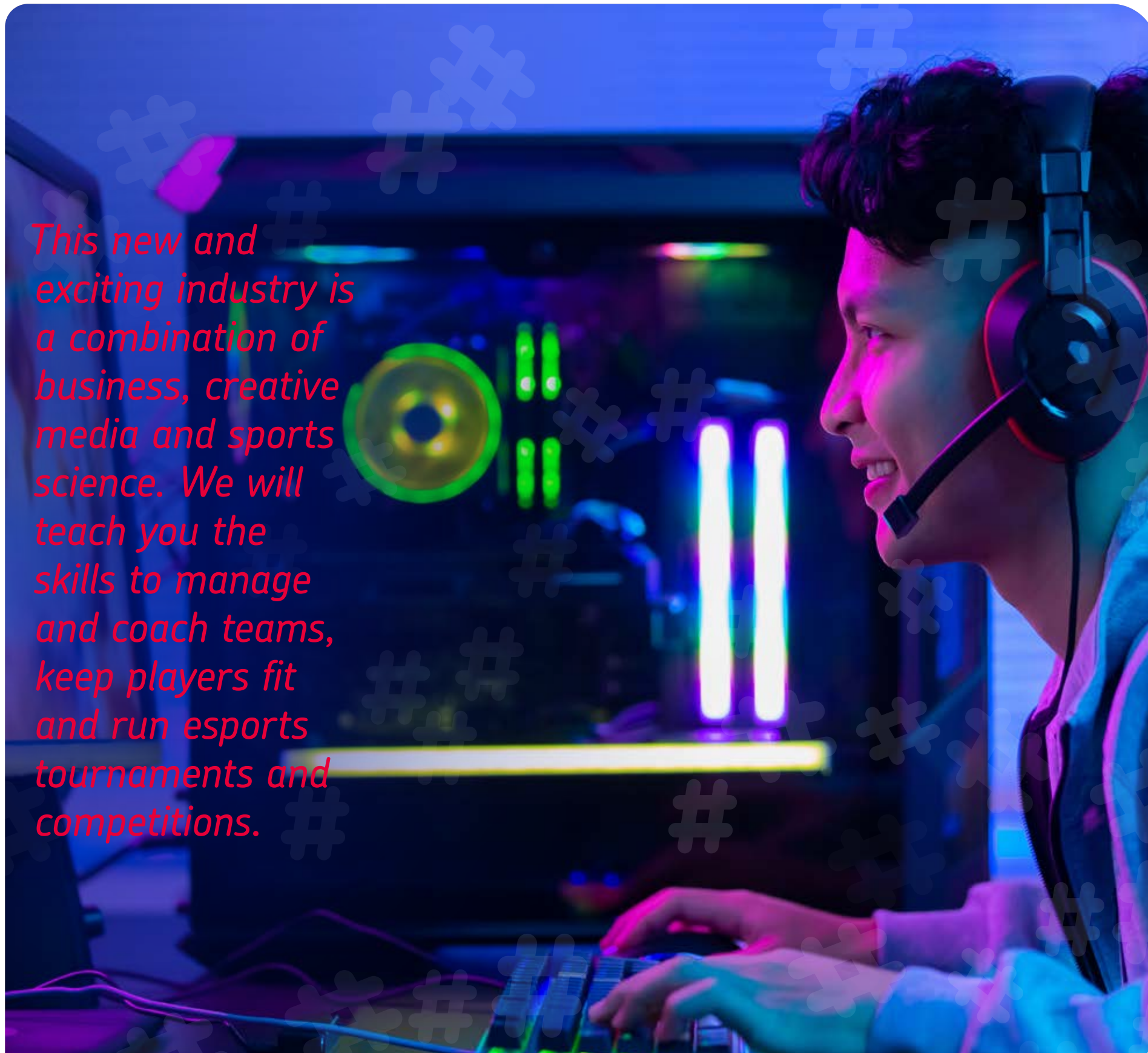
## A career for you

Esports is the name given to the professional, competitive playing of video games. Games such as League of Legends, Overwatch, Rainbow Six Siege, CS Go and Rocket League all have tournaments, teams and leagues dedicated to the competition inherent in these games much like Football, Cricket and other more traditional sports.

The audience for esports grew in 2020 to half a billion people with big events regularly having prize pools of over a \$1 million dollars, with the highest being \$34 million.

This course is designed to qualify students to take their first step into the industry of esports, learning the three main aspects of the industry, Business, Creative Media and Sports Science. The course will teach students, coaching techniques and how to manage a team, using methods to keep players healthy. You will also be taught how to host events and run tournaments including streaming and other online services that facilitate the running of esport competitions.

*This new and exciting industry is a combination of business, creative media and sports science. We will teach you the skills to manage and coach teams, keep players fit and run esports tournaments and competitions.*



## Why you should choose Southport College

For the last 10+ years we have run a successful Games Design department that has been one of the leading providers of education in the digital arena of video games. Many of our students have progressed to work for some of the biggest games companies in the world including Rockstar and TT Games. These same staff will be leading teaching and learning in this new field of study alongside experts in Sports Science and Business to ensure our students get the best, most focussed teaching and learning possible on such a diverse course.

Career progression is an important focus, alongside our tutors training you for industry, you will have dedicated Progress sessions with your Progress tutor. These sessions are all about your future, ensuring your grades are on track for your plans after college. Whether you are looking to go to university or straight into industry, we will guide you to the best route into careers as esports coaches, managers, brand managers or even control room directors.

## What you will study

- # Introduction to esports
- # esports Skills, Strategies and Analysis
- # Health, Wellbeing and Fitness for esports Players
- # esports Events
- # Live-Stream broadcasting
- # esports Coaching
- # Ethical and Current Issues in esports
- # Please note, the course contains some externally assessed units

## A course for you

**Level 3**  
**esports Extended Diploma**  
**Equivalent to Three A-Levels**  
**(up to 168 UCAS points)**

**Two years**

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including Maths and/or English or pass or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and Maths at Level 2

**Progression** Employment in the Gaming or E Sports Industries or University to study a related field.



# #Games Design

## A career for you

Games Design is a fast-growing industry that offers many exciting and creative career opportunities. E-sports and virtual reality are two expanding areas and in the UK virtual reality is the fastest growing entertainment and media sector. The UK video games industry, contributes around £3 billion to the economy, employs nearly 50,000 people and boasts some of the finest video games studios globally, many of which are situated in the North West.

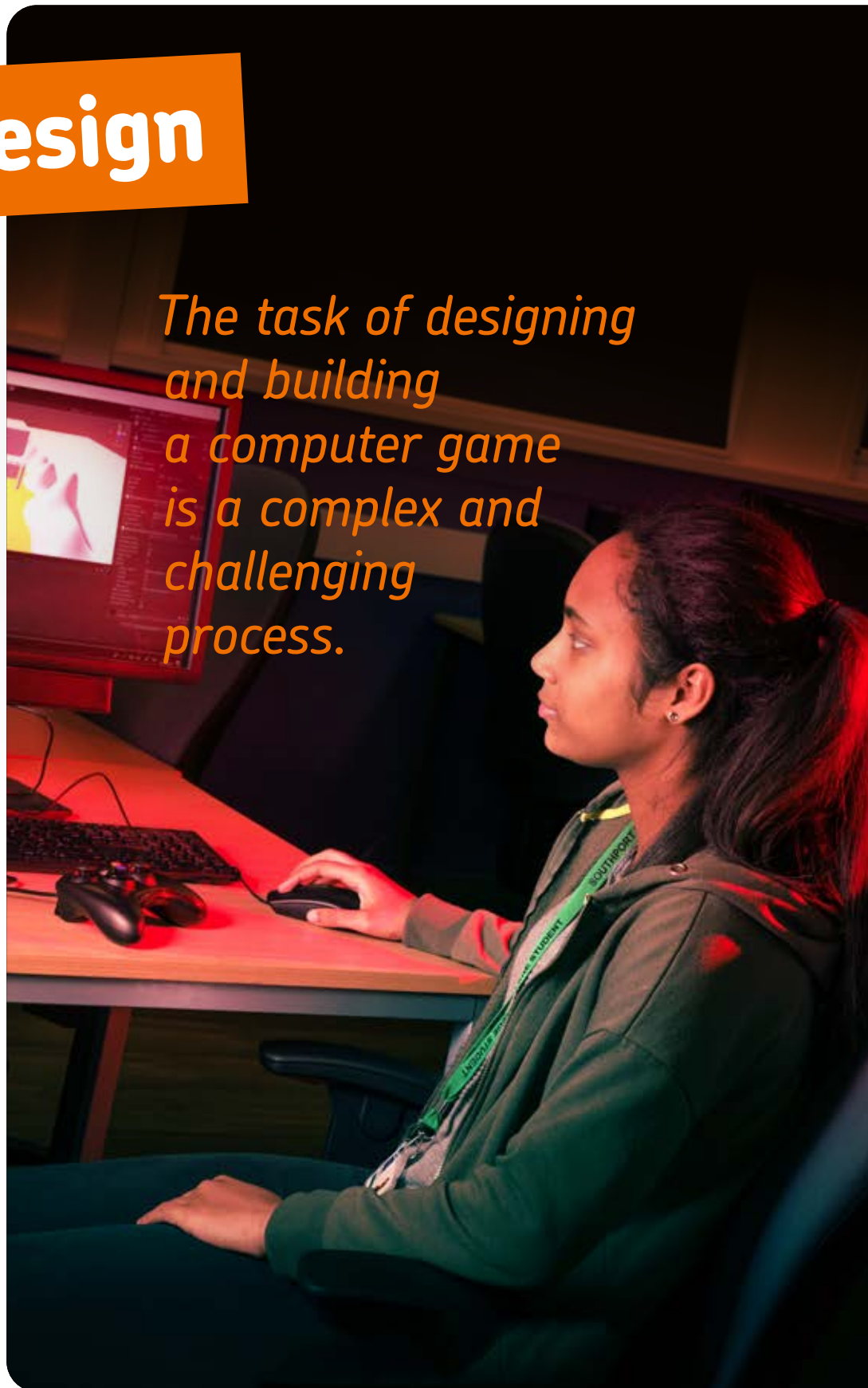
## Why you should choose Southport College

We have the longest listing of delivering games design in the North West, so you will be joining a course with a fantastic reputation and excellent facilities.

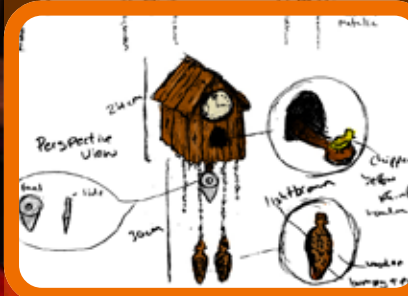
You will learn many transferable skills from the Games Design course including project management, visual coding, problem solving and graphic design.

Students will use industry-based software to build 2D and 3D games to create engaging and enjoyable experiences.

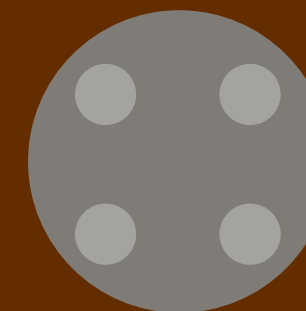
*The task of designing and building a computer game is a complex and challenging process.*



**Using imagination and practical research** to create ideas for characters and environments; experimenting with different designs.



**Building 3D assets** for the game - characters, objects and environment. Applying coloured textures, embedding bones and animating them.



**Producing high quality imagery** to illustrate what the finished game will look like. These illustrations will be used to 'pitch' the game idea to a sponsor.



**Placing assets into a 'game engine'** and creating rules to describe how they move and interact.



**Writing a formal document** explaining how the game should be constructed, including animation storyboards and rules for gameplay and scoring systems.



**Packaging and producing** a finished product.





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## Dreams & Ambitions

## Harry Seddon-Toole

*"I really enjoy Games Design, Chris is a great tutor, one of the most helpful I've ever had and the subject is so enjoyable. We spend lots of time coding in Construct 3 and Unity creating a range of our very own games. It's a certainly a learning curve but it's well structured, in each project we learn to use something new with the design engines and we're given lots of freedom to be creative.*

*We also have sessions with our Progress tutor who prepares you for the next steps of career path. She has helped me with my UCAS application and personal statement and together with everything I've learned on the course, I now feel ready for university."*

**Previous School | Birkdale High School**

***"I'm going to UCLAN to complete a degree in Games Design and I want to work in the games industry for a company like Rare."***

## What you will study

- # Games platforms
- # 3D modelling
- # Photoshop
- # Communication and Team Building
- # Project management
- # Contextual awareness
- # Quality assurance
- # Game construction
- # Audio editing

## What you can achieve

- # Animator | £20,000-£40,000
- # Character Modeller | £21,000-£45,000
- # Games Developer | £25,000-£75,000
- # Games Tester | £24,000-£50,000
- # Project Manager | £34,000-£60,000

## A course for you

**Level 3 Games Design  
Extended Diploma  
Equivalent to Three A-Levels  
(up to 168 UCAS points)**

**Two years**

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including maths and/or English or merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

**Progression** Employment or University. Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.

**Applicants will also be required to show a good portfolio of work.**



# #Games Design

Explore and try out  
our students' games  
on your desktop  
device.

<https://gamesdesignsouthport.itch.io>



Ms Mitz Mini - Micro Medicine Mayhem!



Ultimate Showdown



Hand of the Spider



Metropolis



# #Gas Engineering



## Dreams & Ambitions

### Tre Daley

*"I want a career that pays well, is hands on and I'm out-and-about so I'm planning to work in property development, studying here will get me to where I want to be."*

*"At college, the tutors are highly motivational, they are interactive and keep us on track. We get practical experience on projects that I don't come across when working with my employer and we learn all the regulations and theory."*

*"Sessions in the college workshops are always run professionally but there's also an element of fun, making it a great atmosphere to be in."*

**Previous School | Birkdale High School**

*"I'm going to learn  
as many trades  
as I can and start  
my own property  
development  
company."*

## A career for you

The ideal pathway to a specialist qualification in Gas Engineering, this course opens up an exciting range of career prospects.

This two-year programme has been developed in collaboration with employers and businesses, so you can rest assured that the content is relevant and up to date and the qualification will give you the knowledge and skills that employers are looking for.

You'll spend time on an industry placement, giving you vital experience in the world of work. A successful industry placement could also provide you with that invaluable first reference, strong industry links and maybe even a full-time contract when your course finishes.

The structure of the qualification is designed to give learners a breadth of knowledge and understanding across the Building Service Engineering industry as well as equip them with the necessary occupational and core skills needed to succeed.

## Why you should choose Southport College

Studying Gas Engineering at Southport College can prepare you for an Apprenticeship or employment in your chosen career. You'll be choosing a college with excellent results and fantastic progression to high quality destinations. Plus we'll give you the opportunity to take part in varied and interesting valuable work placements.

Throughout all this we'll support you in a safe and secure learning environment in an easily accessible town centre location.

We have links with the Baxi training centre in Warrington, where we have visits which help us to explore new and innovative developments in relation to central heating boilers, systems and fault finding. We also have various guest speakers coming into college during the course, which include ex-students who give learners an insight into self-employment and business development.

All our teaching and technical support staff in the department are time served industry professionals, indeed between us we have over 100 years combined experience working in the industry, so you can be assured that the training and support you receive is always up to date and relevant.

## What you will study

- # Building services engineering
- # Gas engineering
- # Fundamental safe working practices associated with gas engineering
- # Tools and equipment associated with the installation of gas systems
- # Installation, maintenance, repair and service requirements of gas systems and appliances
- # Scientific principles used in gas engineering
- # Measuring and marking of components and pipework
- # Legislation, combustion of gases, pipework, flues and ventilation working on a range of appliances

## What you can achieve

Following further study, you could work as a:

- # Gas Service Technician, earning up to £38,000 per year
- # Heating & Ventilation Engineer, earning up to £35,000 per year
- # Gas Operations Manager, earning up to £75,000 per year

## A course for you

### Level 3 Diploma in Gas Engineering Two years

**Entry requirements** Pass at Level 2 in a related subject (such as Level 2 Plumbing), plus maths and English at Grade 4 or above.

**Please note to join this course you must have access to the industry to set up your own work placement.**

**Progression** employment in Gase Safe industry or related profession.



# #Graphic Design & Illustration



Dreams & Ambitions

## Molly Doyle

"I wanted to study Graphic Design here because the course offered animation and a range of other interesting modules. The tutors are very helpful, always friendly and you can talk to them easily. You're surrounded by students who all want to do well, encouraging each other and there's a great sense of teamwork."

"During my course, I went on a work placement, getting industry experience at Draw & Code in Liverpool. They gave me some great inspiration and top advice on the principles of working in 3D. I honestly feel like going to Southport College gets you to the place you want to be."

Previous School | Deyes High School

"I'm doing a degree in Animation at Edge Hill and plan to be an Animator for a company like Disney or Dreamworks."

### A career for you

Go to college or gain work experience?

On the Graphic Design and Illustration course at Southport College you will do both!

The course is clearly focused on future progression, delivering real industry practice with the aim of learners progressing to University, directly into industry or on to a modern Apprenticeship.

During the course you will develop a broad portfolio of graphics, product design, animation, photography, printmaking, illustration and drawing (both traditional and digital) to enable you to progress to a diverse range of career pathways, whilst also developing your own specialism.

### Why you should choose Southport College

Our team has close links with industry professionals who are regularly invited into College to deliver presentations and workshops with students. 50% of projects on the course are 'live' where students work to real-life briefs for businesses and organisations for brand development, campaigns, issue-based projects, international competitions and design.

We have excellent facilities and resources including a fully equipped design studio, professional gallery space, Apple Mac Suite, photography, film, printmaking and TV studio, industry-standard software and a 3D printer, A2 Lasercutter, sublimation printing and vinyl cutting.

### What you will study

- # Advertising/Marketing
- # Animation
- # Branding
- # Drawing
- # Illustration
- # Image manipulation
- # Painting
- # Photography
- # Printmaking
- # Traditional and computer-based graphics and illustration
- # Typography
- # Website visual design

### What you can achieve

- # Animator | £20,000-£40,000
- # Graphic Designer | £18,000-£35,000
- # Illustrator | £18,000-£40,000
- # Interior Designer | £18,000-£45,000
- # Marketing/Advertising | £18,000-£50,000
- # Photographer | £18,000-£50,000
- # Product Designer | £22,000-£45,000
- # Web Designer | £18,000-£40,000

### A course for you

**Level 3 UAL Applied General Extended Diploma in Graphic Design**  
Equivalent to Three A-Levels (up to 168 UCAS points)

**Two years**

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English and/or maths or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and maths at Level 2.

Progression Employment or University.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference. Applicants will also be required to show a good portfolio of work.**



# #Graphic Design & Illustration





# #Hairdressing

## A career for you

Working as a hairdresser can be an exciting and creative career where you could find yourself working just about anywhere, including salons, hotels, cruise ships, film and TV sets, private homes or working for large companies such as Wella or Bed Head.

You could become a salon stylist, specialist in colour or extensions, session stylist or open/manage a salon.

## Why you should choose Southport College

As a Hairdressing student you would be based in 'Concept', our fully operative hair and beauty salons, with paying clients. You will learn all aspects of a busy working salon and how to use industry-standard equipment.

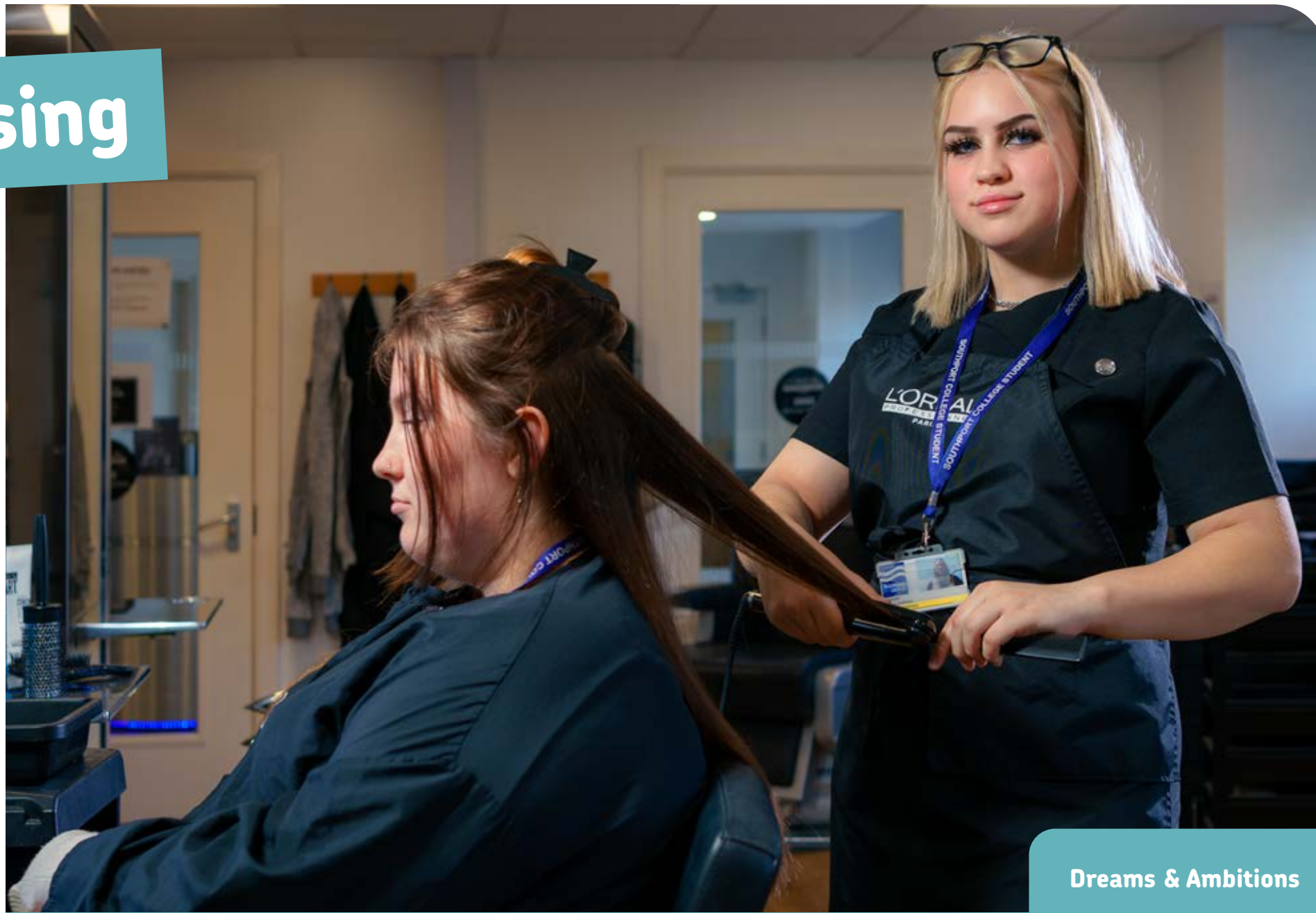
There are regular trips and visits organised so students can find out more about working in the hair and beauty sector. These include events such as the Blackpool Hair Show, Salon International, London and the Professional Beauty Show, Manchester where students are able to sample new products and equipment.

Our hairdressing students take part in themed competitions, with industry professionals judging their creations.

They also take part in professional workshops, charity events and benefit from the industry knowledge of guest speakers and trainers.

The compulsory work placement provides valuable hands on experience.

The tutors have extensive industry experience and have run their own salons, been featured in magazines and won styling awards.



## Kitija Skipsna

*"The Concept Salons at college are great for giving you lots of experience. We get to practice what we have been taught on real clients, treating them to everything from cuts to colours. All of the teachers are nice and they're always on hand to help and advise you on everything from coursework to product knowledge."*

*"Our progress sessions are great too, we have lots of debates and learn lots of things that will help us in our lives as well as in our future careers."*

**Previous School | Christ the King Catholic High School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"After gaining my qualifications and enough work experience, I'm going to open my own salon."*

## What you will study

- # Cutting and styling
- # Day to day running of salon during extended work placement
- # Drying and finishing hair
- # Gaining experience in supervisory roles
- # Hair colouring
- # Infection control
- # Positive impressions
- # Promoting additional services
- # Setting and dressing hair
- # Shampooing and conditioning
- # Work placement 1 day per week

## What you can achieve

- # Barber or Hair Stylist | £18,000-£30,000+
  - # Session stylists | £500+ per day
  - # Specialist technician in colour or extensions | £20,000+
- If you go on to open your own salon, then these amounts can rise significantly.

## A course for you

### Level 1 Hair & Beauty (Ambition) One year

**Entry requirements** Two GCSEs at grade 2 and English and maths at grade 1 or completion of the Aspire course at Entry Level 3 and English and maths at grade 1.

**Progression** Level 2 courses in Hairdressing or Beauty Therapy.

### Level 2 Hairdressing Qualification One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D), including English and maths or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject.

**Progression** Employment/Apprenticeship at Level 3.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**

### Level 3 Hairdressing Apprenticeship One year

**Entry requirements** Pass at Level 2 in related subject and a minimum grade 4 in English and/or maths or equivalent.

**Progression** Employment within the hairdressing industry.



# #Hair & Media Makeup

## A career for you

**Whether you are a TV presenter, model or movie star, ensuring you look the part is essential—and that means it's big business!**

Hair and Makeup artists for media need to have the most up to date skills, be full of fresh ideas and be able to translate a photographer or director's brief into the right look, flawlessly. They need to be able to work with a wide range of clients, work to tight timescales and sometimes work in bizarre locations and they always need a smile on their face, endless patience and bags of energy. But in return, it can be a really exciting role, with top artists working with famous celebrities and in amazing locations.

## Why you should choose Southport College

You will learn your skills from highly qualified staff who are all experienced, industry professionals and you will be based in Concept, our fully operative, on site working salon. You will have access to all the latest equipment and products and practice on real paying customers.

You will get to go to large industry events such as Salon International, London and the Professional Beauty Show, Manchester, to see the latest trends and try out new products; and you will also get to take part in professional workshops, charity events and our annual themed hair styling competition.



## Dreams & Ambitions

## Eve Tasker

*"I chose to study in the hair and beauty department at Southport College because I believed it would help me towards my aspirations of running my own holistic therapy business. You're always busy and the tutors are really friendly, informative and help you with anything you need."*

*"My Progress teacher is amazing, her sessions focus on things like mental health, life and career skills. In our one-to-one sessions I can open up to her, tell her anything about how I'm feeling about my time at college as well as discussing my plans for the future."*

*"There's a great social aspect at the college and being in town, it's handy to go and visit the vegan café or do a little shopping on my lunch breaks"*

**Previous School | Home Schooled**

## What you will study

- # The art of dressing hair
- # The art of photographic make-up
- # Applying make-up
- # Client care and communication in beauty related industries
- # Health and safety practice in the salon
- # Creating an image based on a theme within the hair and beauty sector
- # Client consultation for hair services
- # Providing eyelash and brow treatments
- # Cutting women's hair
- # Shampoo and conditioning the hair and scalp
- # How to colour and lighten hair
- # Nail art application
- # Themed face painting

**You will also be on a professional work placement one day a week.**

## What you can achieve

Experienced freelance stylists/makeup artists can earn up to £300 per day working at:

- # Fashion shows
- # Film studios
- # Photography studios
- # Theatres
- # TV sets

## A course for you

### Level 2 Hair & Media Makeup One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3, including English and maths, or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject. Good dexterity skills are also required.

**Career Opportunities** On completion of this qualification, you could progress to the VTCT Level 3 Diploma in Theatrical, Special Effects and Hair and Media Make-Up or seek employment as a freelance hair and make up artist in theatre, TV or commercial photography.

*"I am hoping to expand my crystal and holistic therapy business to offer my clientele an even wider range of treatments."*



# #Health & Social Care

## T-LEVELS THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION



### Dreams & Ambitions

## Olivia Molyneux

"I'd really recommend studying Health and Social Care here, there are just so many positives about it. I've learned so much to prepare me for university and my future career."

"When I first came to a college open evening, I got a feel for what the course was going to be and I can honestly say I wasn't misled, it has been great and everything I was expecting."

"I really enjoy the course, everyone is really nice, I've made lots of friends and we get lots of support. The tutors are always there for us and they offer us one-to-one support when we need it."

**Previous School | Greenbank High School**

*"I'm going to  
York St John  
University,  
studying to  
become an  
Occupational  
Therapist."*

### A career for you

If you are looking to pursue a career in nursing, social work, occupational therapy, midwifery or other health and social care roles, then working in the health and social care sector can be both rewarding and fulfilling.

The UK has both an ageing population and an increasing birth rate, which means that health and social care skills are going to be in demand for some time to come.

Our Health & Social Care courses are an ideal start. Our course are vocational, so you will be putting your skills in to practice as you learn. The courses are designed to give you the skills employers are looking for and provide you with valuable experience in your chosen sector.

### Why you should choose Southport College

The team have close links with Southport and Ormskirk Hospital and Liverpool Women's Hospital, providing students with the opportunity to gain work experience within the NHS.

In our state-of-the-art facilities, course tutors pass on their wealth of experience, knowledge and skills from their careers in the health and social care industry.

We have a hospital ward simulation unit where you can benefit from many teaching resources including electronic beds, a pregnancy belly that simulates pregnancy and an ageing suit that simulates the process of growing old.

### What you will study

Each level of study covers a wide range of topics which can include:

- # Impact of diet/Nutrition
- # Lifespan development
- # Anatomy & physiology
- # Supporting additional needs
- # Core science concepts
- # Supporting the adult nursing team

### What you can achieve

- # Ambulance Support Worker | £18,000-£22,000
- # Care Assistant | £14,000-£25,000
- # Midwife | £25,000-£45,000
- # Nurse | £25,000-£35,000
- # Social Worker | £24,000-£40,000

### A course for you

#### Level 1 Caring Professions (Ambition)

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Minimum two GCSEs at grade 2 and English and maths at grade 1, or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 3 and English and maths GCSE or equivalent at grade 1

**Progression** Related Level 2 course with English and maths entry requirements achieved.

#### Level 2 Health & Social Care Certificate

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including English and/or maths or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in English and maths.

**Progression** Level 3 Health and Social Care, Childcare or other relevant qualification, Apprenticeship or employment.

#### Level 3 Health & Social Care Extended Diploma

**Two years**

**Entry requirements** Minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

**Progression** To university to study occupational therapy, social work, health and social care and other related courses or employment in the sector.

#### T Level Healthcare

**Two years**

**Entry requirements** Minimum of five GCSE's at 4 and above which must include grade 4 or above in English and Maths or a pass/merit in a related Level 2 qualification and grade 4 or above in English and Maths. Satisfactory DBS, reference and successful interview.

**Progression** To university to study.

The T Level includes 315 hours of 'on the job' experience in a health and social care setting.



# #Hospitality



## Dreams & Ambitions

### Emma Pye

"I'd heard lots of good reviews about the college, my sister went here and after meeting the teacher, I knew it was the right choice. The course is so focused and is an excellent way to get into the industry."

"I enjoy serving real customers in Clouds Restaurant while working with my friends, we all get on really well. Whilst sometimes it can be stressful, I like the challenge and it's really rewarding. I'd recommend Southport College because it offers so many opportunities and the teachers are very helpful and supportive."

**Previous School | Greenbank High School**

*"I'm going to open  
and manage my  
own bed and  
breakfast in  
Scotland."*

#### A career for you

If you love the idea of running a hotel or restaurant, then our Hospitality course can be the first step towards your ideal job. Once you've completed your training, you can choose from a wide range of job roles and hospitality environments including conference and event centres, cruise ships, theme parks, tourist destinations and resorts as well as restaurants and hotels.

The UK hospitality and catering sector is continuing to expand and although it is already a large employer, there is still a high demand for new workers with specialist skills.

#### Why you should choose Southport College

As a hospitality student, you will be based in the College's restaurant 'Clouds', preparing for work in the sector by serving paying customers.

You will organise and run events in 'Clouds' restaurant and enjoy regular visits from professional baristas and wine sommeliers who pass on their industry knowledge and skills to students through demonstrations and workshops. You will also undertake a 300 hour work placement.

#### What you will study

- # Barista skills and cocktail mixology
- # Customer service
- # Food and beverage service skills
- # Food safety
- # Menu knowledge
- # Plan and host themed events
- # Supervision of hospitality events
- # Wine knowledge and bar service

#### What you can achieve

- # Bartender | £15,000-£25,000
- # Events Manager | £21,000-£40,000
- # Hotel Manager | £22,000-£60,000
- # Mixologist | £18,000-£24,000
- # Restaurant Manager | £18,000-£40,000

#### A course for you

##### Level 1 Introduction to the Hospitality Industry One year

**Entry requirements** Three GCSEs at grade 2 (E) or Entry Level qualification in a related subject.

**Progression** Level 2 Professional Cookery, Food & Beverage Service or Apprenticeship.

##### Level 2 Professional Food & Beverage Service One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 (C) and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including some industry experience, or Level 1 qualification in a related subject.

**Progression** Employment or Level 3 Professional Cookery, Hospitality or Apprenticeship.

##### Level 3 Diploma Supervision of Food & Beverage Service

**Equivalent to one A-Level  
(up to 32 UCAS points)**

**One year**

**Entry requirements** Pass at Level 2 in Professional Food & Beverage Service or Hospitality and a minimum grade 4 in English and/or maths.

**Progression** Employment in the hospitality sector or a related University course such as a HNC or HND.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**



# #Motor Vehicle Engineering



## Holly Carr

"I was confident in choosing Southport College as the place for me to study Motor Vehicle Engineering. My sister did the same course here, before me and she had lots of good things to say about it."

"The tutors are professional, lovely and make the lessons truly enjoyable. The workshops have all the equipment we need, with everything from Snap On tools to diagnostic equipment, there's always plenty to go around and we are shown how to do everything the best way."

Previous School | Greenbank High School

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"When I finish college I am going to work on vehicles in the motor sports industry."*

### A career for you

The UK automotive aftermarket contributes £12.2 billion each year to the economy, supporting 345,600 jobs and servicing more than 30 million vehicles each year.

Our courses are designed to give you the skills and knowledge to gain employment within this expanding sector.

Motor Vehicle Engineers and Technicians work on the maintenance and repair of all aspects of motor vehicles. Performing preventative and restorative work on systems relating to the engine, transmission, electrical, braking, steering and suspension.

They also perform routine servicing, inspections and when qualified, the annual MOT testing of vehicles, where you will advise customers on the condition and any faults and repair options. Good engineering type skills are required that enable the repair of broken parts and to problem-solve when removing and replacing components.

### Why you should choose Southport College

Our Motor Vehicle department has benefited from a full refurbishment of the two fully equipped on-site garages, MOT stations and tyre fitting bays.

Our tutors all have industry experience, having worked in the motor vehicle trade for a number of years and so can pass on invaluable knowledge to students.

### What you will study

- # Basic servicing and valeting
- # Engineering and fabrication techniques
- # Engine units and components
- # Fault diagnosis
- # Fuel and air systems
- # Health and safety in the workplace
- # Hybrid and electrical vehicle technology
- # Ignition systems
- # Lubrication and cooling systems
- # Replacing engine chassis units
- # Transmission and driveline components
- # Vehicle inspections
- # Vehicle systems

### What you can achieve

- # Automotive Engineer | £20,000-£50,000
- # Breakdown Engineer | £25,000-£40,000
- # Car Sales Executive | £18,000-£55,000
- # Parts and Vehicle Service Reception | £19,000- £28,000
- # Vehicle Mechanic | £19,000-£35,000

### A course for you

#### Level 1 Light Vehicle Maintenance One year

**Entry requirements** GCSE English and maths at grade 2 (or equivalent) plus a minimum of 1 more GCSE at grade 2 or above.

**Progression** Level 2 course in Vehicle Maintenance and Repair.

#### Level 2 Vehicle Maintenance & Repair One year

**Entry requirements** GCSE English and maths at grade 3 (or equivalent) plus a minimum of 1 more GCSE at grade 3 or above. Or Full Level 1 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance plus English and maths GCSE at grade 3 or above.

**Progression** Level 3 course in Vehicle Maintenance and Repair or Apprenticeship.

#### Level 3 Vehicle Maintenance & Repair Equivalent to A-Levels

**Entry requirements** Completion of Level 2 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance, GCSE English and maths at grade 4 (or equivalent) plus a minimum of 1 more GCSE at grade 4 or above.

**Progression** Employment or University.  
**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**



# #Painting & Decorating



## Dreams & Ambitions

### Ruth Stringfellow

"Having done some casual painting and decorating jobs, I realised that it is really rewarding, so decided to build on what skills I had and turn them into a career."

The P&D facilities are brilliant, having our own bays to learn wallpapering and painting techniques is great and the tutors are cool! They are down to earth but also give you a real sense of what it is like to work for a boss, there's no messing about but there's always a great atmosphere."

Previous School | Tarleton Academy

*"I'm proud to have started working as a painting and decorating technician whilst growing my own decorating business."*

### A career for you

Although painting and decorating does include small-scale projects like house refurbishments, it is not limited to this. Oil rigs, bridges and steelwork all require protective coatings and hotels, bars, restaurants and stately homes all demand the ultimate decorating finesse.

Demand for high-quality and qualified painting and decorating tradespeople is always going to exist and with TV and media coverage of the trade in shows such as 60 Minute Makeover and DIY SOS, the industry has seen an extra boost in jobs and projects.

### Why you should choose Southport College

The College benefits from excellent facilities with newly refurbished custom-built painting and decorating workshops as part of a fantastic overhaul of our Pennington Building.

Our tutors are all industry-experienced tradespeople with years of experience in the painting and decorating industry and students have access to the latest products and industry-standard equipment.

The department has strong links with local and global businesses such as Hamilton Acorn, Dulux and Graham & Brown with Hamilton Acorn sponsoring our nationally recognised Student of the Year award.

### What you will study

- # Applying paint by brush and roller
- # Applying standard papers to walls and ceilings
- # Erecting and dismantling access equipment and working platforms
- # Health, Safety and welfare in construction
- # Preparation of surfaces
- # Specialist decorative finishes

### What you can achieve

- # Freelance Painter/Decorators can earn about £140 a day
- # Industrial Sprayer | £22,000-£33,000
- # Interior Designer | £21,000-£45,000
- # Painter and Decorator (domestic or industrial) | £19,000-£30,000

### A course for you

#### Level 1 Multi Skills (Ambition)

##### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum two GCSEs at grade 2 and English and maths at grade 1 or completion of the Aspire course at Entry Level 3 and English and maths at grade 1.

**Progression** Level 2 related course.

#### Level 2 Painting & Decorating

##### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including English and maths or Level 1 qualification in a related subject.

**Progression** Employment.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**



# #Plumbing & Heating

## A career for you

Plumbers fit and service hot and cold water systems, heating systems and drainage networks. Many plumbers are self-employed running their own businesses, while others may work for large plumbing or construction companies.

Our courses are intended for those wanting to gain the skills and knowledge necessary to enter the plumbing industry. You could further develop your skills with additional training in areas such as heating, ventilation and air-conditioning and renewable energy technologies like solar powered heating.

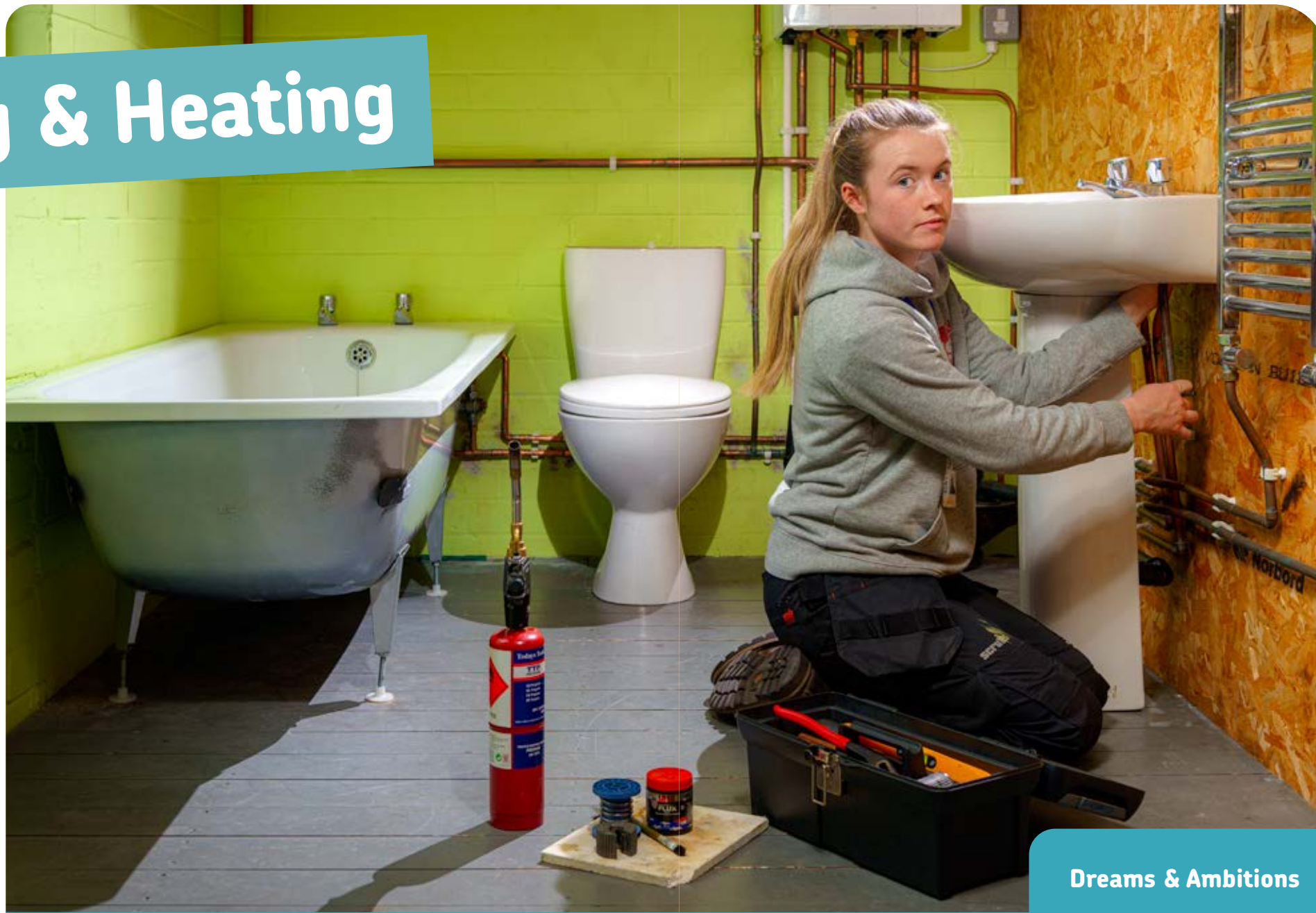
## Why you should choose Southport College

The College has excellent facilities with newly built specially designed workshops where students can work independently or as part of a team.

All of our tutors are industry-experienced having worked as successful tradespeople for a number of years and they keep students updated on the latest industry developments.

Student projects and assignments are based on realistic working environments preparing them well for the world of work.

The department works with several local and national plumbing and heating companies.



## Caitlin Knowles

*"I'd definitely recommend studying plumbing here. The facilities in the college workshops are brilliant, it's as close as you can get to real life and the tutors are all lovely and approachable."*

*"I enjoy it here, it's a positive place to be and despite being the only girl in the group, I don't get treated any differently. Everyone is so friendly, we work really well together and you can always ask tutors or each other for any help."*

**Previous School | Tarleton Academy**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I'm going onto a plumbing Apprenticeship and hope to one day start my own business."*

## What you will study

- # Above ground drainage
- # Central heating systems
- # Effective communication techniques
- # Electrical Installation
- # Fabrication techniques
- # Health & Safety
- # Hot and cold water systems
- # Installation, repair and maintenance
- # Pipework
- # Plumbing science
- # Rain water systems
- # Renewable energy

## What you can achieve

- # Bathroom Fitter | £17,500-£35,000
- # Kitchen Fitter | £17,500-£35,000
- # Gas Engineer | £17,500-£35,000
- # Plumber | £21,000-£35,000

## A course for you

### Level 1 Plumbing

#### One year

**Entry requirements** Three GCSEs or more at grade 2/3 or a Diploma at entry Level 3 in a related area.

**Progression** Level 2 plumbing

### Level 2 Plumbing

#### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D), including English and maths or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject.

**Progression** Level 3 Plumbing or other related Level 3 qualification, Apprenticeship or employment.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**



# #Professional Cookery

## A career for you

Becoming a Professional Chef is a great career for anyone who loves food and enjoys cooking. From kitchen assistant, sous chef, chef de partie to head or executive chef, there are a wide range of job roles available for those qualified in Professional Cookery.

You could find yourself working in a hotel, restaurant, cruise ship, event venue, cafeteria or even a private home.

## Why you should choose Southport College

As a professional cookery student you will develop your cooking skills using the latest equipment in our modern training kitchens and practice industry techniques to prepare food for paying clients in the College's restaurant 'Clouds.'

You will learn new trends and skills and contribute to the planning and development of menus for our special restaurant events.



## Dreams & Ambitions

## Leo Taylor

*"I was so amazed by the size of the kitchens and the inspiring staff at an open evening that I decided to study here. The kitchens are really good for preparing you for what real kitchens are like in industry."*

*"I love cooking and this is a very practical course where we get to do services every week with real customers. There's a bit of pressure to make sure everything is correct but the tutors always support me. Doing the course has helped me to get a job in industry, getting paid to gain even more experience."*

**Previous School | St. Bede's Catholic High School**

***"After college, I'm going to work full time with my employer and eventually I am going to run my own restaurant."***

## What you will study

- # Demonstrations from chef lecturers
- # Develop recipes and menus
- # Event planning
- # Learn how to run the kitchen
- # Master the basics of food preparation
- # Plan your own menus
- # Prepare advanced dishes

## What you can achieve

- # Baker | £20,000-£37,000
- # Butcher | £16,000-£26,000
- # Chef de Partie | £18,000-£30,000
- # Head Chef | £23,000-£50,000

## A course for you

### Level 1 Professional Cookery One year

**Entry requirements** Three GCSEs at grade 2 (E) or Entry Level qualification in a related subject.

**Progression** Level 2 Professional Cookery, Food & Beverage Service or Apprenticeship.

### Level 2 Professional Cookery One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 (C) and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including extensive industry experience, or Level 1 qualification in a related subject.

**Progression** Employment or Level 3 Professional Cookery, Hospitality or Apprenticeship.

### Level 3 Professional Cookery Equivalent to one A-Level One year

**Entry requirements** Pass at Level 2 in a related subject and a minimum grade 4 in English and/or maths.

**Progression** Employment in the catering industry or University.



# #Travel & Tourism



## Brandon Goodwin-Sheridan

"My tutor is wonderful, I learned lots from her and she was so absolutely supportive of my career ambitions."

"As part of the course, I landed a work placement at Hays Travel for 1 day a week. I enjoyed it so much that I picked up more work on weekends."

"Without studying Travel and Tourism here, I wouldn't have got the placement which put me on a career path that I enjoy so much. Working at Hays Travel is not just going to work with colleagues, it is like having a second family."

Previous School | Little Lever High School

### Dreams & Ambitions

*"I'm proud to be going onto an Apprenticeship with Hays Travel, pursuing a career which will enable me to explore the world."*

### A career for you

Choosing a career in travel and tourism could see you travelling all over the world and there are many career paths and job roles available. Our courses are designed to help you develop the skills valued by employers in the sector, such as communication, customer service team working and the practical work and hands-on experience prepare you for your ideal job or further study at University.

Once you've completed your training you can choose from a wide range of jobs and travel and tourism environments including airlines and airports, travel agencies, conference and event centres, cruise ships, theme parks, tourist destinations and resorts, hotels and restaurants.

### Why you should choose Southport College

Our tutors have vast experience in the travel and tourism industry, passionately passing this onto their students, teaching them in fantastic, bright and modern classrooms. We also offer students a realistic working environment including a mock fuselage with real airline seats and equipment.

We have strong links with businesses such as Tui, Premier Inn, Hayes Travel, Formby Hall and easyJet. Plus students enjoy regular visits to local hotels, as well as trips to venues such as the M&S Bank Arena, World Travel Market, Liverpool John Lennon Airport and J.A.R.E Cabin Crew training centre in Bournemouth.

There is a mandatory extended placement for our Level 2 and 3 courses, where students undertake valuable placements both one day a week and in blocks throughout the year.

### What you will study

- # Travel and tourism enterprises
- # Customer service
- # Principles of marketing in travel and tourism
- # Airport experience
- # Global destinations
- # Working overseas
- # UK travel and tourism sector
- # Worldwide and European holiday destinations

In the second year of the Level 3 course, you study an extra Level 2 certificate in Cabin Crew. Endorsed by Swissport, this gives an introduction to being a cabin crew member and an opportunity to acquire relevant practical and technical skills. It will develop your knowledge and understanding of the cabin crew role, as well as other airline safety and security, how to respond to emergencies on-board and even covers making inflight announcements.

### What you can achieve

- # Cabin Crew | £18,000-£30,000
- # Events Management | £21,000-£40,000
- # Hotel Manager | £22,000-£60,000
- # Travel Agent | £18,000-£27,000

### A course for you

#### Level 2 Diploma for Skills in Business & Travel One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D), including English and maths, or a Level 1 Diploma in related subject and Level 1 English language and maths.

**Progression** Employment in the travel and tourism industry or Level 3 Travel & Tourism.

#### Level 3 Travel & Tourism Extended Diploma Equivalent to Three A-Levels (up to 168 UCAS points) Two years

**Entry requirements** Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English and maths, or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and maths at grade 4.

Progression HND in International Travel and Tourism Management at Southport College University Centre or other University to study business, tourism, event management or other related subjects, or employment in the Travel or Tourism Industry.

**Every applicant will need to have a course discussion and may need to provide a reference.**



# #Foundation Learning

We have three programmes which students can join, suited to their level of qualification.

## Connect

A two-year programme to prepare learners for study at Entry Level 3.  
Upon completion, students will achieve an Entry Level 2 Qualification.

## Aspire

A one-year programme to prepare learners for study at Level 1.  
Upon completion, students will achieve an Entry Level 3 qualification.

## Ambition

A one-year programme to prepare learners for study at Level 2.  
Upon completion, students will achieve a Level 1 qualification

Please contact the college to discuss your individual requirements for joining our fantastic range of courses. We will provide advice and guidance to pupils, parents and carers on the most suitable course for them, ensuring a rewarding time at college.

## Helping you to progress

We proudly provide an amazing range of courses for everyone. For pupils who don't meet the entry requirements for Level 2 courses and may need a little extra support in their transition from school to college, we have a fantastic selection of courses, designed with their specific needs in mind.

Our friendly team of tutors are specialists in foundation learning and provide outstanding support to their students. They learn in modern classrooms and workshops, gaining skills and confidence which fully prepares them for their next level of study.

## From Foundation Learning to university

Hari Sivakumar joined us from Presfield School, on our School Links Art and Design Programme. He made excellent progress advancing through our Connect, Aspire and Ambition programmes gaining many skills, qualifications, confidence and friends along the way.

After achieving his Level 1 qualification on the Ambition Art and Design Pathway, he then achieved a Level 2 qualification in Creative Media. Following this he enrolled onto our Level 3 Creative Media and completed with Distinction. With these impressive qualifications and skillset behind him, Hari is now progressing to Edge Hill University to study a degree in Animation.



## The Team

*"It's an absolute pleasure working with my foundation learning students. I find it truly rewarding, supporting them and witnessing their confidence and independent life skills grow. It's often their first experience of mainstream education and our team get to know each student as an individual. Whether it's English, maths, life or learning skills, we tailor teaching sessions to make sure everyone gets the most out of their time here with us. With lots of sports, fitness, dance and gaming activities planned throughout the courses, as well many trips and visits, students can be sure of lots of fun times."*

*Progression is a big focus, we make sure that students get to look at where they want to be. They will explore the whole college and see everything from our hairdressing salons to the motor vehicle workshops. Students on our Ambition courses also go out on work placement, with the many employers college works with. This is great for helping them choose a vocational pathway that excites them and is what they want to study in the future."*

**Vicci Clark | Foundation Learning Tutor**





## Dreams & Ambitions

### Lewis Conlon

*"I wanted to study somewhere nice and Southport College has lots of great studios and classes.*

*"The Connect course gives me a real mix and I love doing things like PE and activities in the Sports Hall, there's a good focus on health and fitness.*

*"There are lots of nice people here too, the tutors are lovely and I have made a lot of friends.*

*I'm learning lots of skills for life and my maths and English, which will help me on my career towards becoming a model."*

**Previous School | Altbridge School**

***"After college, I  
am going to work  
in the fashion  
industry as a  
model."***

#### Confidence and skills for you

Our Connect courses are designed to give students the confidence and skills to progress on to the Entry Level 3 Aspire Course or one of our vocational courses. The course also develops the students' ability to move towards independent living or the possibility of work experience through a supported internship.

Starting college can be a very daunting experience for many students on our Connect courses, so we take great care in ensuring that the transition from school to college goes as smoothly as possible.

We offer group and individual orientation visits and taster days that take place before students come to College full-time in September. These visits help to introduce students to the College at their own pace and are tailor-made to suit them.

By offering the necessary support and guidance needed to help them to succeed, we ensure many of our students who start on our Connect courses progress through College to higher level courses and on to employment.

#### Why you should choose Southport College

There is dedicated classroom space for the Connect courses, with specialist resources and equipment.

We have invested in a brand new facility, kitted out with all the technology and utilities in a modern home. This is the perfect environment to gain independent living skills.

We offer extensive support in the form of group and 1:1 support as well as lunchtime and break supervision.

We have a Learning Support Suite in College for students to enjoy some quiet time during break and lunch times.

The College has been delivering courses for young people with Learning Difficulties or Disabilities (LDD) for many years.

As a College we are redeveloping our courses in line with the Government's latest curriculum initiatives.

#### The Connect Course

Our one year Connect Course is for learners who are working towards Entry Level 2.

It is tailored to a student's individual needs and focuses on the transition to College from school as well as preparation for their next step.

#### What you will study

The early part of the course focuses on developing life skills such as managing money, living healthily and managing relationships. Students will develop their independent travel skills, learn basic cookery and take part in confidence building activities. They will also get involved in enterprise schemes, which are excellent for gaining basic retail and customer service skills, as well as team working and idea generation.

Connect students also continue to develop their English and maths throughout the course and have a dedicated Progress Tutor to help them prepare for their next step.

As the students progress, they can study for a qualification to prepare them for supported living or the work place or they can continue with the next level of study

#### What you can achieve

When they are ready, students can progress on to our Aspire Course and gain a Diploma in Further Learning & Personal Development.



## Helping you to progress

The Aspire course is designed to help students progress towards the world of work and/or Level 1 vocational courses at the College. Aspire is a fantastic option for entry level learners. It allows you to try a range of different subjects before focusing on and progressing in one vocational area.

## Why you should choose Southport College

We have fantastic facilities for all our college students and our Aspire facilities are second to none! There is dedicated classroom space and specialist resources and equipment; as well as realistic working environments and a large well equipped sports hall and gym. What's more, we have just finished building a brand new life skills area, complete with all the facilities and utilities in a modern home, which is brilliant for improving your cooking and independent living skills.

All our tutors are friendly, supportive and very welcoming. They are all experienced in their fields, both as teachers and in their specialist industries too. They want you to achieve your very best and are here to help you every step of the way.

As well giving you the opportunity to try a range of different vocational subjects and improve your employability skills, our Aspire Course also includes maths and English too.



## Tayla Mault

*"I'd recommend Southport College because it has really helped build my confidence. Last year I completed the Connect course then progressed onto Aspire to help me get the qualifications to then go onto the Ambition Caring Professions course."*

*"I have made lots of friends and mixing the people I study with is really good for me. One of my favourite parts of the course is Personal Skills where we learn lots of life skills. We regularly go out on trips and visits where we go bowling or go to places like the local shops, developing our communication and learning customer service skills."*

**Previous School | Crosby High School**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I am going get the qualifications to work with young children in a nursery."*

## What you will study

The Aspire Course is for learners who are working towards Entry Level 3 and forms part of the Diploma in Further Learning and Personal Development.

It has been designed to help you progress towards the world of work, whilst at the same time helping you become a more independent mature young adult both in learning and life.

## The course has 3 key elements:

- # Life skills, including independent living; health and fitness; budgeting and communication skills
- # English and maths classes to help you achieve these important qualifications
- # A vocational taster programme, giving you a flavour of a wide range of courses. This will help you build your skills and decide what you might like to study in more detail the following year

## Taster Subjects range from year to year depending on the interests of the students but may include:

- # Life skills, including independent living; health and fitness; budgeting and communication skills
- # Bricklaying
- # Creative Design
- # Hair and Beauty
- # Health and Childcare
- # Hospitality
- # Motor Vehicle Engineering
- # Painting and decorating
- # Professional Cookery
- # Fitness

## What you can achieve

### Skills for further living and employment

- # Enterprise
- # Independence Skills
- # Budgeting and Money Management
- # Health & Fitness

**Successful students may be able to progress to a Level 1 course in their chosen vocational area or a supported internship.**



# #Ambition

Level 1



Dreams & Ambitions

## Cintia Kalocsai

"I came to Southport College to learn lots of new things and make friends. I really enjoy being on the Creative Industries pathway, the teachers are so helpful, kind and very supportive and my classmates are friendly too."

"There's a good mix of being able to get creative, I've enjoyed designing board games, drawing and painting. I've absolutely loved working in the Photography studios, using different cameras and lights and then editing the images on the computers."

Previous School | Presfield High School

*"I'm going to complete an Art and Design course and become an artist selling my own work."*

### A career for you

Our Level 1 pathways allow you to explore and gain skills in five exciting vocational areas whilst at the same time developing your maths, English and employability skills.

The course takes a year to complete and there are 5 pathways to choose from.

They are a great introduction to the subjects and are designed to help you choose what you might like to progress to at Level 2.

### Why you should choose Southport College

We have realistic working environments for you to learn in, fantastic English and maths support and really friendly encouraging industry experienced tutors. You will also have lots of opportunities to gain employability skills and really grow your confidence.

### Ambition Level 1 Pathways

#### Ambition Caring Professions

# Learn in our amazing hospital room, early years nursery and classroom, preparing you for Health and Social Care or Childcare courses.

#### Ambition Construction Multi Skills

# Prepare for your trade of choice, learning lots of skills in our wonderful Bricklaying, Painting & Decorating and Plastering workshops.

#### Ambition Hair & Beauty

# Get yourself ready for a career in hair and beauty, learning the latest tools and techniques in our fabulous Concept Salons.

#### Ambition Creative Industries

# Carve a future in the world of art, creative media and photography, in our stunning studios, with traditional and state of the art tools.

#### Ambition Sport & Outdoor Activities

# Train for a career in sports, fitness and outdoor activities including water sports, climbing and orienteering.

### What you will study

- # Maths & English
- # Employability skills including:
- # Developing interpersonal skills
- # Healthy living
- # Preparation for work
- # Respecting equality and diversity in the workplace
- # Safeguarding online and in daily life
- # Teamwork skills
- # Students may also take part in a work placement related to their subject.

You will always be in college 3 days per week and if a work placement is arranged for you, then this valuable experience will take place on an additional day.

### What you can achieve

# Successful students may be able to progress to a Level 2 course or Apprenticeship in their chosen vocational area or a supported internship.

### A course for you

#### Ambition Level 1 One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum 2 GCSEs at grade 2 and English and maths at grade 1; or completion of our Aspire course and English and maths GCSE (or equivalent) at grade 1. Progression Level 2 course, employment or Apprenticeship.



**We are proud to  
provide excellent,  
sustainable, education  
and training that  
supports the individual  
dreams and ambitions  
of all our students.**







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# #Computing & Digital Technologies

## A career for you

Computing and IT skills are at the centre of everyday life and found in almost all industries and businesses across the world. There are a broad range of specialist areas including programming, web development, network management, cyber security, applications development, telecommunications, internet service provision, computer gaming and more.

The Digital Tech sector is expanding 2.6 times faster than the rest of the UK economy and is worth more than £184 billion. Technology moves so fast that Digital Tech companies are always looking for highly skilled employees with the most up-to-date knowledge and understanding. This means that studying an IT or computing course is very desirable, with good career opportunities.

## Why you should choose Southport College

Our Computing and IT department has been part of a £1.3 million refurbishment introducing new, modern teaching and learning environments and well equipped technology workshop.

We provide access to live briefs so lessons are not limited to the classroom and we have offered students the opportunity to visit places like Disneyland Paris, Museum of Science and Industry, Manchester, CAE Technology Services, the Retro Games Arcade and the 'What next?' careers fair at the Liverpool Exhibition Centre.

Our tutors still work in the industry, meaning they are up to date with all the latest developments and can pass this on to our students.

**In addition, valuable work placement opportunities will be available, so you can put your study in to practice.**



## Harry Marlow

*"I've always been a logical person, liking maths and computing at school and wanted to carry it on at college. I like the lessons, they are always pretty interesting with the activities we're given. Although tutors keep us busy, there's a relaxed atmosphere and I feel well prepared for getting the best possible results and grades."*

*"I'm enjoying studying topics such as encryption when I'm in college and then continuing the research, in my own time. The timetable is good too, it means I have time to do some independent study in the library or even go out into Southport and visit places like the Atkinson to read and relax or grab something nice for lunch."*

**Previous School | Cockermouth School, Cumbria**

## Dreams & Ambitions

*"I'm going to follow a career in the IT industry"*

## What you will study

- # Database design
- # Digital graphics
- # Network design
- # Software development
- # Technical support
- # Website design

## What you can achieve

- # IT Technician | £18,000-£30,000
- # Network Engineer | £18,000-£40,00
- # Systems Analyst | £20,000-£45,000
- # Web Designer | £22,000-£30,000

## A course for you

### Level 2 ICT

#### One year

**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including English and maths or Level 1 Diploma in related subject and Level 1 English language and maths.

**Progression** With a merit, Level 3 Extended Diploma courses such as Computing or an Apprenticeship.

### Level 3 Computing

#### Extended Diploma

**Equivalent to Three A-Levels (up to 168 UCAS points)**

#### Two years

**Entry requirements** Entry requirements Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and English and maths at Level 2.

**Assessment** This course contains some externally assessed units.

**Progression** Employment or University.



# #Nail Technician

## A career for you

There are many opportunities to develop a career in the nail industry. Being a nail artist is a really versatile career, you could choose to work in a variety of salon settings, for yourself as a mobile nail artist or even travelling the world, working on cruise ships. It is perfect for those with an artistic and creative flair and who love working with people.

The skills you gain will be internationally recognised too, allowing you to work in salons and holiday resorts around the world. Once qualified, you could even continue to build even more skills by progressing onto our Beauty Therapy courses, which will open even more doors for you.

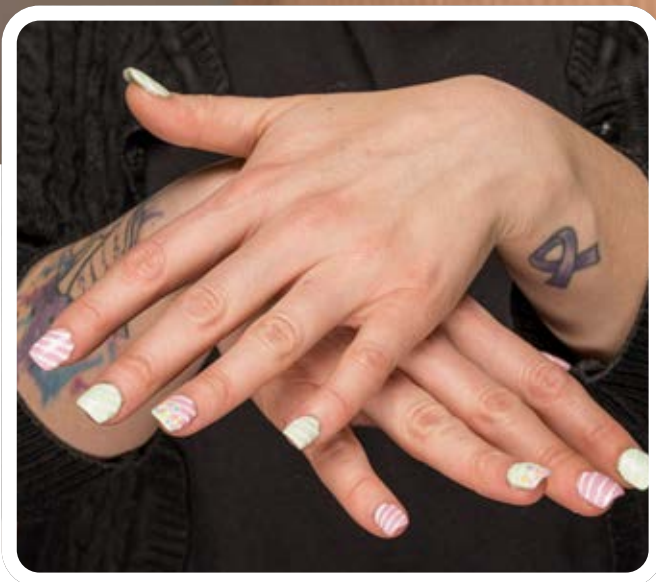
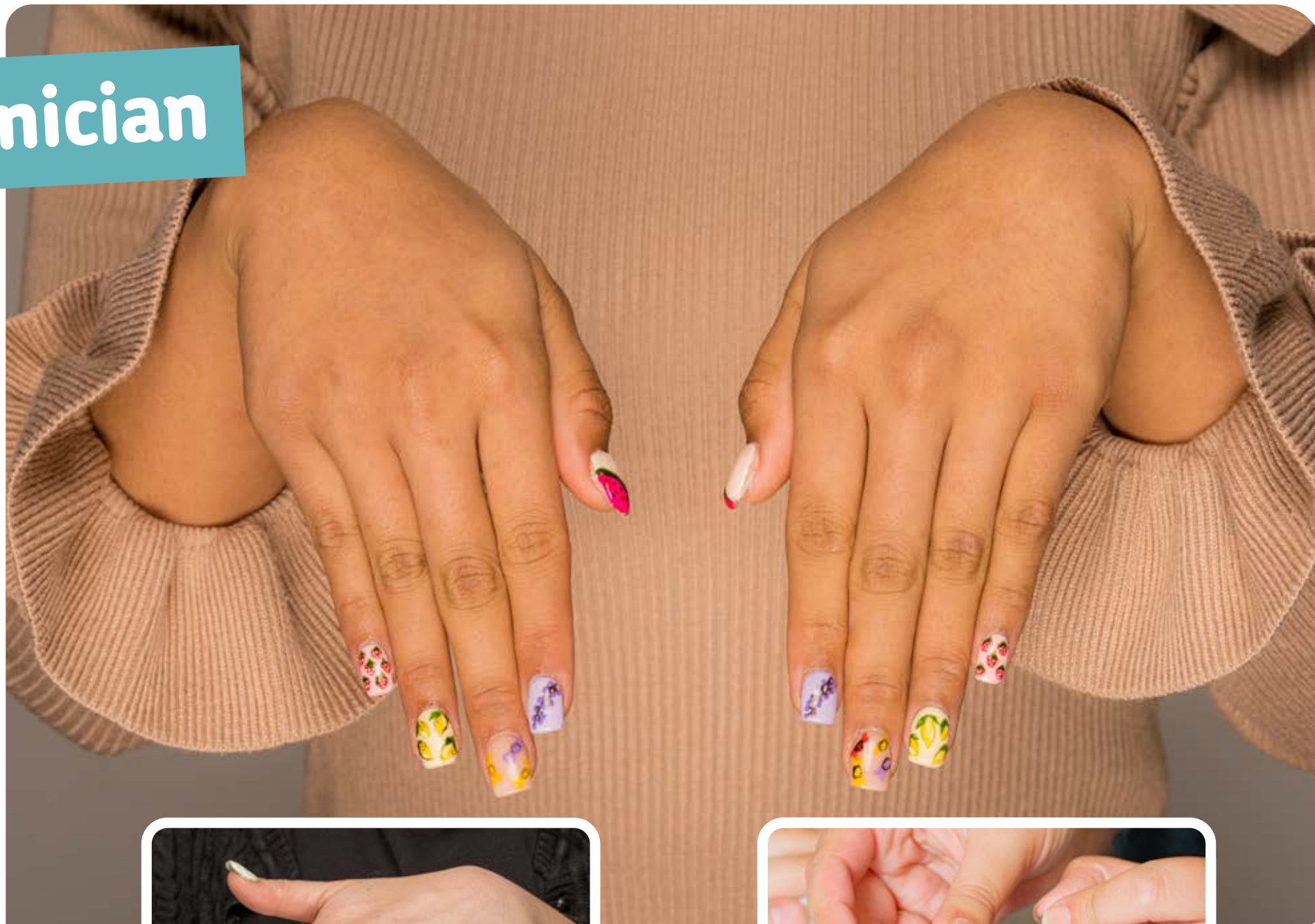
## Why you should choose Southport College

Our Concept Salons are professional, fully operational environments and when you are ready, you'll be training with real clients. Our bright and modern Nail Room is equipped with all the equipment and facilities used in the industry and you'll be using professional OPI and NSI products throughout.

Guest speakers and trainers are invited in to talk to students and we organise trips and visits to grow students' knowledge and enrich their college experience. Our tutors have taken students to shows such as Salon International, London and the Professional Beauty Show, Manchester.

We also take part in local, national and even world skills competitions, competing with other students, to make sure skills and standards are as high as they can be.

Our tutors have extensive industry experience and will support you to become a confident nail technician, able to expertly deliver the latest techniques and trends to clients.



## What you will study

- # Applying and maintaining nail enhancements
- # Gel polish application
- # Health and safety
- # Manicure and pedicure
- # Nail art
- # Promoting additional products and services

Throughout the duration of the course, you will undertake a work placement giving you lots of fantastic first-hand experience.

## What you can achieve

You could earn £12,500 – £25,000 in a range of Nail Technician roles including:

- # Nail Salon Technician
- # Freelance Mobile Nail Technician
- # Cruise Ship Nail Technician

## A course for you

### Level 2 Nail Services Diploma

#### One year

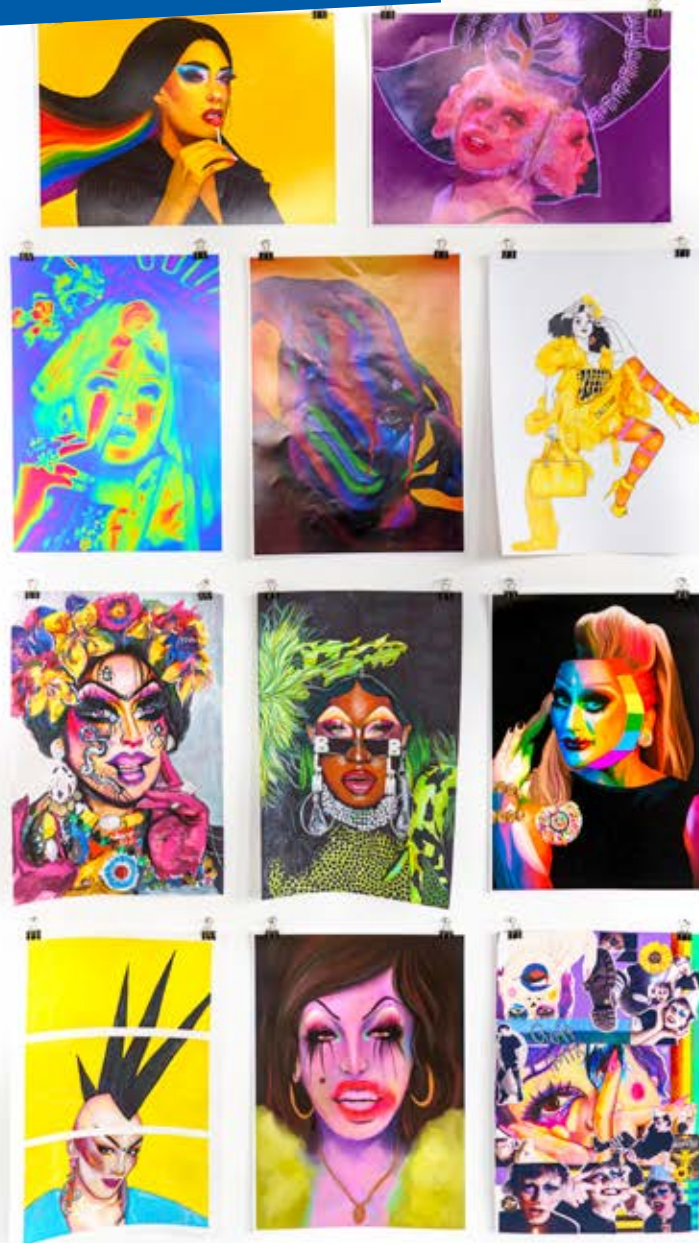
**Entry requirements** Minimum one GCSE at grade 4 and two GCSEs at grade 3, including English and maths or Level 1 qualification in a related subject with Level 1 Functional Skills in English and maths.

**Progression** Employment or further training such as Level 3 Nail Technology or Level 2 Beauty Therapy.











# #Creative Media & Photography





# #Free Travel Passes

Southport College is in the heart of the town centre and is very easily accessible, by bus, train, bike or on foot.

## Free Travel Passes\*

All Southport College students who are aged 16-18 and live more than 3 miles away from College, are eligible for a free travel pass, you just need to apply.

Our free travel passes are valid 7 days a week, so not only will you be able to use it to get to and from college whenever you need to, you can also use it in the evenings and at weekends to visit friends or go to work too. How good is that!

Students who live 1-2.9 miles away may still be eligible, depending on their circumstances, so please do contact us for more information.

Please note that the college may also allocate a trio pass where daily use of multiple transport providers is unavoidable.

## Matt – Travels from Ormskirk

“I can drive, but using my free college travel pass is easier, cheaper and better for the environment too!”

## Caitlin – Travels from Ainsdale

“I can even use my pass to go to Liverpool at the weekends.”

## Emily – Travels from Churchtown

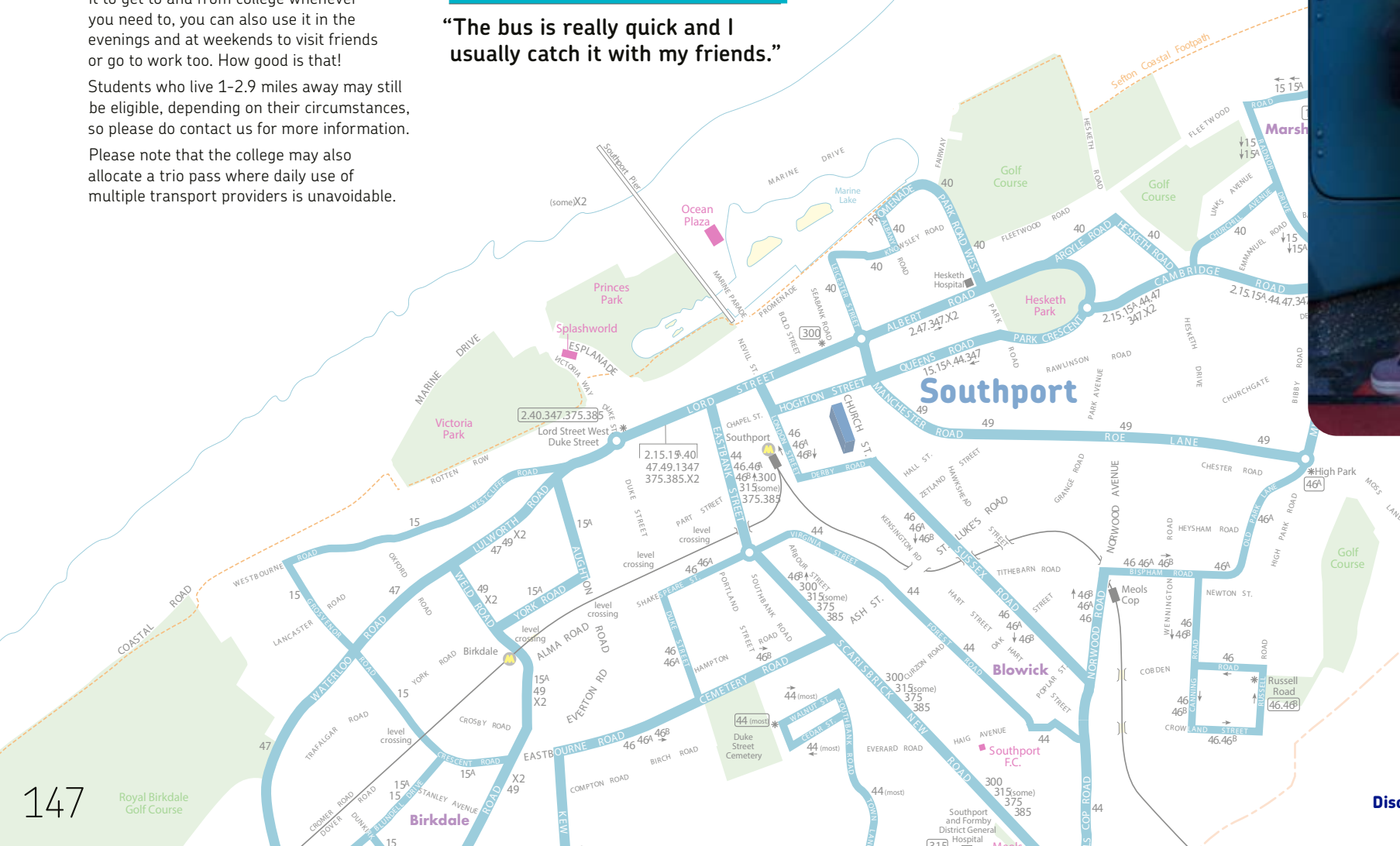
“The bus is really quick and I usually catch it with my friends.”

## Dean – Travels from Crosby

“It’s great that the station is just a few minutes walk away from College.”

## Amy – Travels from Parbold

“My free pass lets me get whichever time train suits me, it’s so handy.”





# #Gas Engineering

## A career for you

Gas technicians and engineers install, service and repair gas appliances and heating systems. This could be working for a local or national employer or even for yourself, as your own boss. Work is conducted predominantly at a client's business or at a client's home.

78% of homes in the UK are currently heated by Gas central heating. This means there are more than 20 million boilers which need installing, servicing and replacing around the UK. This work requires a large workforce of competent, qualified engineers to undertake this work.

Completing our qualification in Gas Engineering will make you eligible for Gas Safe registration which is essential for working in the industry.



## Dreams & Ambitions

## Tre Daley

"I want a career that pays well, is hands on and I'm out-and-about so I'm planning to work in property development. This course will help me loads and knowing the college, studying here will get me to where I want to be.

"At college, the tutors are highly motivational, they are interactive and keep us on track. We get practical experience on projects that I don't come across when working with my employer and we learn all the regulations and theory.

"Sessions in the college workshops are always run professionally but there's also an element of fun, making it a great atmosphere to be in."

**Previous School | Birkdale High School**

## Why you should choose Southport College

The gas training facilities we have are second to none, having received large investments to fully equip and furnish the spacious workshops. We offer the most up to date equipment and tools which you are taught to work with by expert tutors who have years of industry experience and are always up to date with the latest regulations and legislation.

We have an excellent relationship with a range of employers and often have guest speakers from the industry. As a student on our Gas Engineering course, you are required to source a work placement with an employer which will provide you with invaluable work experience alongside the course.

Before enrolling onto the Gas Engineering course, you are first required to complete our Level 2 qualification in Plumbing and Heating, which is a one year course. During this you will be fully prepared for the higher demands of the gas qualification, becoming competent with all the tools, techniques and facilities whilst building a great relationship with the tutors.

## What you will study

- # Gas safety principles
- # Central heating systems
- # Combustion analysis
- # Gas fires / space heaters
- # Domestic metering

## What you can achieve

- # Gas service/installation technician  
£18,000-£45,000
- # Gas mains layer | £18,000 to £35,000
- # Smart meter installer | £20,000-£35,000

## A course for you

### Level 3 Gas Engineering Two years

**Entry requirements** Successful completion of the Level 2 Plumbing course, plus maths and English at Grade 4 or higher.

**Progression** Successful completion of the Level 2 Plumbing course, plus maths and English at Grade 4 or higher.

*"I'm going to learn as many trades as I can and start my own property development company."*