Not only is Southport College a great place to study, we also have the best overall achievement rate for 16-18 year olds of any Further Education college in Merseyside. Yet another reason to choose Southport College. **Success starts in Southport.**
Here is a quick guide to all our school leaver courses and their entry requirements. You will find more detailed information on each of the course pages.
Your future

The majority of our students move into 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 work placements or work experience, the chance to take part in sports teams or activities, volunteering, trips and special events.

As a 16 year-old the range of options available to you when you leave school can seem overwhelming.

Our Student Guidance team is available to contact for careers and course advice should you need it. And if you have never visited Southport College before, you are very welcome to visit us at one of our open events or taster days to see how we can help shape your future.

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 and I very much look forward to welcoming you at Southport College.

John Clarke
You’ve probably heard a lot about vocational qualifications. Many people think that A Levels are the only route to a university course but this is not the case. More and more students are opting to study vocational courses.

But how are vocational qualifications different?
We recommend that all applicants attend our open evenings. They offer the perfect opportunity to tour our facilities, speak to students and staff and prepare you for joining us as a student in September. Families are welcome too and will be given the opportunity to speak to staff and ask any questions they may have about the course you have chosen, the enrolment process, support needs, travel passes and other important college information.

Attend Applicants’ Day
Monday 25 June 2018
School leaver applicants will be invited to attend our Applicants’ Day in June where you will meet your course team and fellow students, prepare for the start of term and enjoy a BBQ and fun activities. Look out for your invitation.

GCSE Results Day
Thursday 24 August 2018
Once you have received your GCSE results you will come to Southport College to enrol. You will be contacted with your enrolment date and time in July.

Your course will begin w/c Monday 3 September 2018
You will receive information about your timetable when you enrol in August.

Keep in touch
If you have any questions during any of these stages then please get in touch; we are here to help you. Please call our Guidance team on 01704 392704 or email guidance@southport.ac.uk. Make sure you follow us on social media to keep up to date with the latest news, events, competitions and College information.

We look forward to welcoming you as a student at Southport College soon.
Realistic working environments

Clouds Restaurant – Hospitality & Catering students prepare food and drinks in our training kitchens and bar area which are then served to paying customers within the restaurant.

Concept Salons – Hairdressing, Barbering, Beauty and Nail Services students work on paying clients in our salons offering a variety of hair, beauty and nail treatments.

Performing Arts Theatre – Performing Arts students perform in our 120+ seat theatre throughout the year and also make use of the rehearsal rooms, dance studio and recording studio.

Science Labs – Science and Forensic & Criminal Investigations students use our recently extended science laboratories and specialist equipment.

Photography studio and dark room – Photography students use our extensive bespoke facilities including a darkroom and photography studio.

Nursery – Childcare students work with visiting young children in our nursery room.

Simulated work spaces

Hospital room – Health & Social Care students use our hospital ward simulation unit and gain experience of using electronic beds, a pregnancy belly that simulates pregnancy and an ageing suit that simulates the process of growing old.

Aircraft cabin – Travel & Tourism students learn how to make safety announcements and demonstrations within our cabin crew training area.

Crime Scene Room – Forensic & Criminal Investigations students have access to our specialist crime scene room where they practise their investigation skills.

Workshops

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.

Cutting edge technology

Southport College continually invests in new technology with Art, Graphics, Photography and Media students benefiting from Mac rooms and a 3D printer and Computing students the PC labs. Games Design students use the same Hollywood standard computer-generated imagery program as those used to create the graphics in Oscar-winning films such as Pirates of the Caribbean and War for the Planet of the Apes.

FACILITIES AT SOUTHPORT COLLEGE

Our courses are designed to prepare you for work in your chosen sector and our investment in realistic working environments, simulated work spaces, workshops and cutting edge technology are designed to give you the best possible advantage as you make your way in to further study or employment.

Continuing investment

Over the last few years Southport College has invested more than £2 million in to updating and refurbishing areas of the College.

Why not come along and see the latest developments at one of our Open Evenings:

Wednesday 1 November 2017 5.00pm-8.00pm
Tuesday 6 March 2018 5.00pm-8.00pm
Monday 4 June 2018 5.00pm-8.00pm
As a student at Southport College, you will have access to a wide variety of support services. We have a large team of trained staff dedicated to providing you with any additional support you may need.

Student Information Centre

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 qualify for help from the Bursary Fund with course-related costs, e.g. kit, equipment, uniforms, books.

Travel Pass
Students who live more than 2 miles from the College and study on a full-time further education course are eligible to apply for a free travel pass. The passes can be used on either Stagecoach, Arriva or Merseyrail networks. Terms and conditions apply.

Care to Learn (Childcare support)
Care to Learn provides a financial support scheme 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.

Other funds are available for students aged 19 and over, please see the Student Information Centre for further information.

Not sure if college is for you?
Need help deciding on the right course? Contact the Student Guidance team for a 1:1 guidance interview to discuss your options.
Telephone: 01704 392704
Email: guidance@southport-college.ac.uk

Support for all identified students
- Learning Support Transition Suite (to aid the transition to College)
- Learning support in and out of class
- Support and for screening by our Dyslexia Tutoring Team for students with specific learning difficulties (SpLDs) in order to apply for access arrangements e.g. extra time, reader, scribe etc.
- Care workers for personal care
- Social/emotional/behavioural support

All 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.

In addition, the College has a Medical Needs Coordinator who coordinates a service for students identified with a medical need, attends first aid calls and can signpost students to relevant outside agencies.

You can access any of these services by calling the Learning Support Team on 01704 392862, 392872, 392866 or 392634.

Safeguarding and Welfare Support
Southport College is committed to creating an environment that is safe and welcoming to all students. It believes safeguarding is an essential element and aims to promote a positive culture where students are able to learn and develop. We recognise our duty of care to students; the safeguarding of our students is paramount at all times.

Feel safe
As a College, our community includes young people aged 14 to 18 and vulnerable adults. 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 record, any pending court cases or if they are 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 any convictions, you won’t be automatically excluded from enrolling on a College course; each case will be considered individually. For further information please contact the Student Guidance Team to speak to a member of the Safeguarding Team.

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FEEDBACK
Alongside studying for your course, Southport College offers lots of opportunities to get involved in different enrichment activities throughout the year such as joining cross-college committees, the Student Council or becoming a student governor.

Enrichment is about providing opportunities to bring learning to life and broaden your range of interests.

It also looks great on your CV or UCAS Personal Statement!
Sports Enrichment

At Southport College there are a wide range of sport and physical activities on offer for students and staff to take part in. There are weekly sessions in badminton, 5-a-side football, short tennis, dodgeball, basketball, table tennis, yoga, running, walking, benchball and multi-sports, as well as competitions in short tennis, rounders, table tennis and football.

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.

Additionally, there is also the College gym, which is free to all staff and students and is open three days per week. Even more provision is planned for 2017/18, with more people accessing the scheme each year.

Student Events Team

Each year the marketing team at Southport College appoints talented students from across the College to join our Student Events Team. As members of the team, students work together with a buzzing marketing department helping to deliver events on and off the College campus throughout the year.

What does a Student Events Team member do?

The Student Events Team can be asked to help out with events such as:

- Open Evenings
- Taster days
- Campus tours
- School careers events (Careers fairs etc)

Why should you get involved?

Successful applicants will receive training and support throughout their time as a team member. We also do our best to make it enjoyable and a valuable work experience to impress future employers.

At the same time students also benefit from opportunities to:

- Develop skills like public speaking
- Enhance your CV events experience
- Make new friends

Student Council – Making a difference

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.

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

Do you have the drive to succeed, can you dig deep when faced with a challenge and do you have the potential to reach your goal? Then becoming a member of our Football or Volleyball Academies could be just what you’re looking for. These are open to all 16 to 19 year old students on full-time courses.

Our Academies offer:

- Professional coaching in your chosen sport
- Opportunities to compete at a high level
- Excellent sports and learning facilities
- High-quality teaching throughout your studies at College
- Football and Volleyball Academy students receive a minimum of two weekly training sessions from qualified and experienced coaches, as well as regular competition in the British Colleges Sport league and National Cup competitions.

To be eligible for a place applicants must:

- Be accepted or enrolled on a full-time course at Southport College
- Be under 19 years of age on 31/08/17
- Undergo a successful interview/trial for their selected sport
- Agree to sign an Academy Learning Contract

The process:

- Submit a Sports Academy application form alongside your course application form. (You can download these from our website on the under-19 section).
- If your application is successful you will be invited to an interview
- You will then be invited to take part in trials
- If you have a successful trial you will be given a conditional offer of a place at The Sports Academy (on acceptance to your full-time course).

If you would like to know more about the Sports Academy please email: sportsacademy@southport.ac.uk or call Student Guidance on 01704 392704.
English and Maths GCSEs

It’s important to have a firm grasp of English and maths, whether you are thinking of going to university or entering employment after completing your course with us.

More and more businesses are demanding their employees have GCSEs at grade 4 or above (C) in both English and maths and it’s part of university entry criteria too.

If you do not have a grade 4 in English or maths our personalised study programmes will help you to achieve them. This could be through taking a GCSE resit or through alternative qualifications to build up your skills if you aren’t ready to resit straight away.

Our specialist team of tutors will work with you to ensure you can get these vital qualifications and give you the best chance of success in securing employment or a place at university.
For all of our students the ultimate goal is to get a job in their chosen sector and Southport College students are in demand. Many of our students have taken jobs with prestigious companies, undertaken roles within the armed forces or even set up their own businesses.

Level 3 Extended Diplomas, which are the equivalent of three A Levels, are worth up to 168 UCAS points which can be used to get on to a degree course.

We have a 99% pass rate on Level 3 Extended Diplomas obtained at least one distinction.

65 students on Level 3 Extended Diplomas achieved three distinctions or distinction *s (equivalent to three A or A* grades at A Level).

60% of the students on Level 3 Extended Diplomas obtained at least one distinction.

More than half the students on Level 3 Extended Diplomas have taken jobs with prestigious companies, undertaken sector specific work placements and many of our students are in demand. Many of our students have progressed into employment in a wide range of job roles.

Success starts in Southport

Destination - University

Many universities use UCAS points as entry requirements for higher education courses. 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 for a chosen course. A BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma, equivalent to three A Levels, is worth up to 168 UCAS points. Make sure you check university websites for specific entry requirements if you have a particular course in mind.

Almost 250 of our students are now studying for degrees at 40 different establishments including:

- Bangor University
- Brunel University
- Canterbury College
- City of Liverpool College
- Edge Hill University
- Future Works Media School
- Huddersfield University
- Kingston University
- Lancaster University
- Leeds Beckett University
- Leeds College of Art
- Liverpool Hope University
- LIMU
- Manchester City College
- Manchester Metropolitan University
- Northumbria University
- Nottingham Trent University
- Rare Studio Liverpool
- Sheffield Hallam University
- Southampton Solent University
- Southport College
- Staffordshire University
- Texas A & M University, USA
- The Liverpool Institute for Performing Arts
- UCLan
- University of Lincoln
- University of Bolton
- University of Chester
- University of Exeter
- University of Leeds
- University of Liverpool
- University of Manchester
- University of Salford
- University of York
- University of Southampton

Students have gone on to study over 100 Higher Education courses such as:

- Accounting & Finance
- Acting
- Adult Nursing
- Aerospace Engineering
- Anatomy & Human Biology
- Animation
- Architecture
- Biomedical Science
- Building Surveying
- Business Management
- Childhood & Youth Studies
- Computer Networking & Security
- Counselling & Psychotherapy
- Creative Studies
- Criminology & Psychology
- Diagnostics Radiography
- Early Years with QTS
- Educational Psychology
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Fashion Buying & Merchandising
- Fine Art
- Forensic Investigation
- Games Design
- Geosciences
- Graphic Design
- Health & Social Care
- Hospitality Culinary Events Management
- Illustration
- Management (Innovation, Sustainability & Entrepreneurship)
- Mechanical Engineering
- Media Studies
- Mental Health Nursing
- Midwifery
- Musical Theatre
- Network & Security
- Nutrition
- Operating Department Practice
- Optometry
- Paediatric Nursing
- Paramedic Practice
- Pharmacy
- Photography
- Physiotherapy
- Primary Education with QTS
- Psychology & Criminology
- Public Services
- Quantity Surveying
- Social Work
- Sociology & Criminology
- Special Effects Media Make Up
- Sport Coaching & Development
- Tropical Disease Biology

Destination - Employment

Vocational qualifications are designed to give you the skills you need to do a job and many of our students go straight into employment. This year students have progressed into employment in a wide range of job roles including:

- Accounts Clerk
- Army Officer Cadet
- Beauty Therapist
- Bricklayer
- Care Assistant
- Chef
- Early Years Educator
- Educational Support Worker
- Electrician
- Estate Agent
- Event Manager
- Gas Fitter
- Hairdresser
- ICT Support
- Mechanic
- Painter & Decorator
- Plumber
- Royal Navy Marine Engineer
- Tattoo Artist
- Travel Agent
Many students who studied with us when they left school now have successful careers in the same industry.

Natalie Core
COURSE STUDIED: PERFORMING ARTS LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: STANLEY HIGH SCHOOL
The performing arts course at Southport College prepared me for industry because it gave me the foundations and the confidence to continue my studies at university. It also helped me to become a teacher and has continued to support me in gaining transferable skills and networking opportunities. The course prepared me for university because we studied singing and dancing alongside drama which gave me an upper hand at university. This allowed me to take on greater roles and direct more pieces of theatre preparing me to become a teacher.

Gavin Skeoch
COURSE STUDIED: PROFESSIONAL COOKERY LEVEL 2
The tutors on the course were very down to earth and I gained experience working in Clouds, the College’s restaurant. The course gave me experience of working in an industry standard kitchen and learning skills every chef needs to know to be successful within their career. After completing my course at Southport College I worked at the Ramada Hotel as a senior chef and I’m now Head Chef at The Vincent Hotel in Liverpool.
COURSE STUDIED: GRAPHIC DESIGN LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: STANLEY HIGH SCHOOL

I attended an Open Evening and met the tutors who were nice and Southport College offered the best facilities I had seen. The tutors had vast industry experience which gave me confidence knowing that I would learn a lot. I enjoyed having a variety of live projects throughout the year, each focusing on a different skill set with a different client each time. The Southport College tutors depth of knowledge is a really good selling point, the tutors are working in the industry, not just teaching about it. I am currently working as a freelance graphic designer and hope to build my company further.

CAIN GAUDIE

ILVIJA SKIPSNA
COURSE STUDIED: HAIRDRESSING LEVEL 3
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: SCHOOL IN LATVIA

I love coming to Southport College because the teachers are so helpful. I couldn’t do many of the competitions I enter without the support of the teachers here. I hope to open my own salon before the end of the year, one that will specialise in unique, creative styles. That’s my dream! I have won a few hair competitions within Southport College and most recently taken part in an international hairdressing competition which took place in Russia, I competed against 300 other hairdressers working on the models hair, makeup and clothing to pull together the complete look.

ILVIJA SKIPSNA

Success starts in Southport
Southport College works with many large and small employers. Through these valuable links we can offer students Apprenticeships, higher education courses, creative ‘live’ briefs, guest speakers, work placements, industry-standard products, progression opportunities and much more...

Here are just some of the businesses we have links with:

- AMS Plumbing
- Army
- CAE Technology Services
- Clynol
- Declor
- Dovehaven Care Homes
- Dulux Paints
- Edge Hill University
- European Space Agency
- Farmageddon
- Fitton Estates
- Fletcher’s Solicitors
- Formby Hall Golf Resort & Spa
- Graham & Brown
- Green Flag Breakdown
- Hamilton Acorn
- Hog Robinson UK
- Husky Heat Pumps
- Jazin James Salon
- L’Oreal
- Lattimer
- Liverpool Women’s NHS Foundation Trust
- Mac
- Paymentshield
- RAF
- Ramada Plaza Southport
- Samaritans
- Southport & Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust
- Stork Technical Services
- Storm Consultancy
- The Atkinson
- The Big Picture Southport
- The Vincent
- UCLan
- University of Chester
- University of Cumbria
Apprenticeships & Traineeships

What is an Apprenticeship?
An Apprenticeship is a way of gaining a qualification whilst working for a business and earning a weekly wage. You obtain the same qualification you would on a vocational course but you will also gain valuable work experience too. Depending on your employer and their type of business, you may attend Southport College for part of your course or you may receive all of your training in the workplace. Usually, Apprentices attend college one day a week and the rest of the week is spent with your employer.

You can find out more about Apprenticeships on page 36

What is a Traineeship?
Traineeships can prepare you for your future career, helping you to get ready for the world of work and improve your chances of getting an Apprenticeship or other job. All students complete a programme covering numerous skills such as teamwork, job application and communication. You would then take part in an agreed work placement for up to three days a week over eight weeks with the remaining two days spent at college. This could then lead on to an Apprenticeship, full-time employment or full-time course at Southport College.

When you register your interest in a Traineeship we will contact our network of employers to arrange a work placement in your preferred placement.

You can apply for a Traineeship at any point throughout the year.
To apply call 01704 392704 or email guidance@southport.ac.uk.

I previously went to another college to study A Levels but after realising that exams were not for me, I decided to look for an Apprenticeship. I chose Southport College as my employer and my training provider as they had everything that I was looking for. The staff here are really helpful and friendly, they have helped me to work to the highest standard that I could. I found that Southport College is completely different from school, you are given more independence and are treated like an adult. I would recommend doing an Apprenticeship because it gives you an insight into what working life is like and it opens up a wider range of career opportunities because of the work experience you gain. An Apprenticeship offers you valuable skills and it’s the best thing you will do.

CHARIS MULLINDER

COURSE STUDIED: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION APPRENTICESHIP LEVEL 2
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: GREENBANK HIGH SCHOOL
Apprenticeships

The first step in applying for an Apprenticeship is to register your CV with us. We can then match potential Apprentices with vacancies from our local employers.

The College offers Apprenticeships at various levels including Intermediate, Advanced and Higher in the following sectors:

- AAT Accounting
- Barbering
- Beauty Therapy
- Business & Administration
- Construction Trowel Occupations
- Customer Service
- Early Years Educator
- Electrical Installation
- Engineering
- Hairdressing
- Health & Social Care
- Hospitality
- Hospitality Supervision
- IT
- Maintenance Operations
- Management
- Medical Administration
- Painting & Decorating
- Plumbing & Heating
- Professional Cookery
- Retail
- Sport & Fitness
- Vehicle Maintenance & Repair

Can I do an Apprenticeship?

- Anyone over the age of 16 can study for an Apprenticeship. Most school-leavers undertake an Intermediate Apprenticeship at Level 2. However, in some cases it is possible to go straight to an Advanced Apprenticeship at Level 3. This route would require prior knowledge and experience within the chosen industry or five good GCSE grades.

What do I need to start an Apprenticeship?

- A commitment to progress within your chosen industry.
- Demonstrate you can achieve English and maths at Level 2 and a willingness to improve your English and maths skills
- A suitable employer.
- To be working a minimum of 30 hours per week.
- Successful interview and initial assessment.
- A suitable reference.
- A good work ethic, excellent timekeeping and a professional approach.

What will I study?

Every Apprenticeship framework includes:

- A competency based qualification (sometimes called the NVQ Diploma)
- A knowledge based qualification (sometimes called the Technical Certificate)
- Employment Rights and Responsibilities
- Maths and English qualifications
- Learning takes place in the workplace and through taught classes.
- A College assessor will visit you regularly to provide support and check your progress.

To register your CV or to find out more about Apprenticeships visit: www.southport.ac.uk

email: employer@southport.ac.uk or call: 01704 392874.
Our Connect course is designed 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.

Entry Level & Level 1 courses at Southport College

Connect (Entry Level)

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 learning 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.

Aspire (Entry Level 3)

One-year courses that cover more of the subject than a Level 1 course. 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 2 & Level 3 courses at Southport College

Level 2

Aspire (Entry Level 3)

These vocational qualifications take one or two years to complete depending on your chosen subject. You will study your chosen subject in detail as well as put the theory into practice. 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. For these skills-based courses you will need a Level 2 qualification in a vocationally related area.

Ambition (Level 1 Pathways)

Our Level 1 pathway allows you to study in your chosen vocational area whilst further developing your English, maths and employability skills. There are eight Level 1 Ambition pathways, the courses take one year to complete and are an introduction to the subject you have chosen to study. When you have finished the course you will be ready for Level 2, full-time work or an Apprenticeship.

Next Step (Level 1)

This 11 week course is for students who have been out of education and combines enrichment activities, work experience and employability skills as well as providing academic support and improving students confidence and life skills. The course is designed to give students the skills and abilities to progress on to one of our vocational courses.

Level 1 (Bricklaying, Hospitality & Catering, Professional Cookery, Vehicle Engineering)

These courses take one year to complete and are an introduction to the subject you have chosen to study. When you have finished the course you will be ready for Level 2, full-time work or an Apprenticeship. Entry requirements for this level vary from course to course; please see the individual course listings.

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

Higher Education

We also offer a range of higher education courses including HNCs, HNDs, Foundation Degrees and Top-Up Degrees. To find out more and to request your free copy of the HE Prospectus please call 01704 392704.

Success starts in Southport
Both of our Connect courses are designed to give students the confidence and skills to progress on to one of our vocational courses at the next level, move towards independent living or 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 or on to employment.

### Why Southport College?
- There is dedicated classroom space for the Connect courses, with specialist resources and equipment.
- We offer extensive support in the form of group and 1:1 support as well as lunchtime and break supervision.
- We have a brand new Transitions Suite in College for students to enjoy some quiet time during break and lunch times if required.
- The College has been delivering courses for young people with LDD for more than 10 years.
- As a College we are redeveloping our courses in line with the Government’s latest curriculum initiatives.

### What we do works

#### The Two Year Connect Course
A 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 dependant on the ability/achievement of students.

**Year 1**
The first year is focused on developing life skills such as managing money, being healthy, managing relationships and getting involved in enterprise schemes. Students will develop their independent travel and cookery skills and take part in confidence-building activities. Students will also continue to develop maths and English and have a progress tutor to prepare them for their next step.

**Year 2**
This year is determined by the student’s progression route; they can study a qualification to prepare them for supported living or the workplace, or can continue to next level of study. Students will also continue to work on improving their maths and English and have tutorials with their progress tutors.

### Course Entry Requirements

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Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.
Aspire

The Aspire course is designed to help students progress towards the world of work. Aspire replaces our entry level courses and is a fantastic new 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 Southport College?
- Realistic working environments
- Maths and English support
- Industry-experienced tutors
- Choice of vocational options
- Gain employability skills

What will I study?
- A Certificate in Employability to get you ready for the world of work.
- An Award in Independent Study and Career Skills to help you become an independent learner.
- English and maths functional skills to help you achieve these important qualifications.
- Progress sessions to ensure you are making good progress on the course.

You can choose five from a series of subject tasters:
- Motor Vehicle Engineering
- Brickwork
- Hospitality
- Retail
- Hair & Beauty
- Sport & Public Services
- Painting & Decorating

Careers after the course
Successful students can start a Level 1 course in their chosen vocational area.

Course studied: Aspire
Previous school: Thornton College

This course is great; I’ve really liked being able to try each different subject area. I was nervous at first coming to Southport College but I soon settled in and developed my confidence. I would recommend this course because it gives you the opportunity to find out what you like best and helps you to decide on your next step. The support from staff and tutors has been superb too, they have been very supportive and offer fabulous opportunities.

Sam Hughes

Aspire

Success starts in Southport

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<td>ASPIRE ENTRY LEVEL 3</td>
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Level 1 Ambition Pathways

Our Level 1 pathway allows you to study in your chosen vocational area whilst further developing your English, maths and employability skills. There are eight Level 1 Ambition pathways, the courses take one year to complete and are an introduction to the subject you have chosen to study.

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<td>+ Childcare</td>
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<td>+ Sport</td>
<td>+ All students will take also part in a work placement in their subject</td>
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<td>+ You will be in College three days per week until week 10 when you will start your one day per week work placement.</td>
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COURSE STUDIED: AMBITION
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: ST BEDES HIGH SCHOOL

I knew I wanted to come to Southport College because my brother came here and recommended it to me. I have really enjoyed my course. I feel like I’ve learned loads; meeting new people and making lots of friends has been great too. Being on the course has developed my confidence and customer service skills which have helped me to get a job working as a sales assistant. If you are thinking about coming to college, don’t be nervous! All of the staff are very helpful and makes you feel comfortable. The College supplied me with a travel pass, free meals and a uniform which gave me the means to get to College. I’m hoping to progress onto the Travel & Tourism course after completing my qualification. 

CRISTINA GONCLAVES

COURSE PROSPECTUS 2018

SOUTHPORT COLLEGE
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 to students who choose to study Art & Design. Last year 99% of our Level 3 students went on 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 Southport College?

- We host an end of year exhibition where you will showcase your hard work to the public and employers.
- The tutors have worked as artists, fashion designers and some continue to make and exhibit their own work.
- Students are given the opportunity to attend a range of trips. Last year students went to Berlin and London to experience the culture and art of each city.
- The course prepares students for university and tutors provide strong positive guidance to students and the courses have very successful progression routes.

What will I study?

- Painting techniques
- Drawing techniques
- Using Photoshop
- Textiles
- Printmaking
- Fashion

Careers after the course

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<td>Interior Designer</td>
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<td>Product Designer</td>
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<td>Tattooist</td>
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<td>Art Therapist</td>
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<td>Visual Merchandiser</td>
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COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

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<td>ART &amp; DESIGN LEVEL 2</td>
<td>One year Minimum three GCSEs at grade D (grade 3 with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in maths and English.</td>
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<td>ART &amp; DESIGN LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA</td>
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<td>Two years Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.</td>
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Every applicant will need to provide a reference as part of their application and be interviewed for their chosen course. Applicants will also be required to show a good portfolio of work at interview.
The Art & Design course at Southport College allows you to focus on yourself, improve your independence and your problem solving skills. There is a range of facilities available to use so you can express yourself in so many ways. I found College very different to school. It felt like a different culture and the tutors here are so friendly. I really enjoyed the independence, flexibility and the wide range of facilities. Southport College is a good college to start off your career and get one step closer to your goals.
Beauty therapy is a very exciting industry with many different career opportunities. You could become a beauty therapist, specialist technician, photographic session stylist, makeup artist or salon manager. You could also open your own salon, work on cruise liners, work in TV and film or work for a large company such as Clynol, Decléor or Mac.

The hair and beauty sector has a turnover of £6.2 billion a year and employs nearly a quarter of a million people across 55,000 businesses. Our courses are kept up to date with current trends with guidance from employers and HABIA (the hair and beauty industry body).

**Why Southport College?**

- 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.
- The tutors have extensive industry experience and have worked in television, on cruise-liners and at a five-star resort in Dubai, opened their own salons and are published authors.
- You will work with L'Oreal and Decléor products.

**What will I study?**

- **Beauty**
  - Facial treatments & skincare
  - Make-up
  - Lash and brow treatments
  - Manicure and pedicure
  - Waxing
  - Skin & body analysis
  - Anatomy and physiology
  - Body electrical treatments
  - Swedish massage
  - Level 3 students will undertake a mandatory work placement

**Careers after the course**

- **Beauty Therapist:** £12,000 - £25,000+
  - If you go on to open your own salon then these amounts can rise significantly.
- **TV Makeup Artist:** £200 - 300 per day.

We have Concept salons; fully operative, working salons where our hairdressing and beauty students work on paying clients. Students learn all aspects of a busy working salon from the reception, to how to use industry-standard equipment.

**COURSE STUDIED: BEAUTY THERAPY LEVEL 2**

**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: ORMSKIRK HIGH SCHOOL**

I chose Southport College because I thought the beauty department had really good facilities and it's also easily accessible for me.

I would recommend the beauty therapy course because it opens up many career paths and doesn't just focus on one side of Beauty Therapy. It's also helped me to improve my confidence in meeting new people and also improved my communication skills. College is different to school because it's more concentrated on my skills and the tutors are very focused on helping you develop them.

I have received a bus pass to get to and from College which has helped me greatly; I don't have to worry about bringing extra money with me to College every day.

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**SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE**

**EVA HARDING**

**COURSE STUDIED: BEAUTY THERAPY LEVEL 2**

**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: ORMSKIRK HIGH SCHOOL**

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Concept salons offer a wide range of treatments for both male and female clients in the beauty salons including massage, facials, manicures, waxing and pedicures, all at a fraction of the high street price. In our hairdressing and barbering salons you may choose to be seen by either a first, second or third year student. Clients can select from a host of services ranging from a classic cut or set to contemporary colouring, perming or highlights, all at reduced cost.

CONCEPT

The Hair and Beauty sector has a turnover of £6.2 billion a year and employs nearly a quarter of a million people across 55,000 businesses.

OPENING TIMES
- Open daily during term time
- Also open on selected evenings
- To check opening times or make an appointment call Concept salon reception on 02704 392460 or visit www.southport.ac.uk
Bricklayers undertake a variety of building work from simple walls to decorative stonework. They may find themselves building or repairing walls, chimneys, tunnel linings or refurbishing brickwork or masonry as part of restoration projects. Bricklaying is not just about building, it also involves creating and reading plans and basic architecture.

With the increased number of housing and infrastructure projects, the building industry is predicted to continue growing over the next few years.

**COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE**

**BRICKLAYING LEVEL 1**
- One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade E (3) and English and maths at grade 2 or equivalent.

**BRICKLAYING LEVEL 2**
- One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject.

**BRICKLAYING LEVEL 3**
- One year
- Pass at Level 2 or equivalent in a related subject and a minimum grade 4 in maths and/or English

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

**Careers after the course**

- Bricklayer: £16,000 - £23,000
- Experienced bricklayers can earn up to £50,000
- Paving and block paving: £14,000 - £22,000

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**Why Southport College?**

- Industry-standard tools and equipment are used throughout the department.
- Students will have the opportunity to take place in work placements throughout the course.
- All of our tutors are industry experienced tradespeople and pass on their skills and knowledge to the students.
- The construction department have strong links with Sefton Council planning department, M&P Surveying, Turner Construction, Anthony James and One Vision.

**What will I study?**

- Basic cavity walling
- Solid walling
- Thin joint masonry
- Masonry cladding
- Decorative brickwork
- Complex masonry structures
- Health and Safety principles

**Opportunities to work on projects for real businesses are regular on the course such as refurbishment work at Parenting 2000.**

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**COURSE STUDIED:** BRICKLAYING LEVEL 1  
**PREVIOUS SCHOOL:** BIRKDALE HIGH SCHOOL

I have enjoyed the good atmosphere and the down to earth teachers the most about Southport College. I would recommend the brick course because the teachers are good and you learn in a realistic work environment. You also get to do work experience alongside the course which is great. My advice for someone who wants to come to Southport College is that it's a lot better than school, don’t be intimidated.

**SAM BAKER**
This course is an introduction to the various trades that exist within building services sector giving you a sound overview of your choice of career. If you are thinking of starting a career as a plumber, electrician or gas fitter the course provides an excellent platform to start from.

The Building Services Engineering course is a one-year introductory qualification covering four areas of building services engineering: plumbing, electrotechnical heating/ventilating, refrigeration and air conditioning.

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

After the course

ACCESS TO BUILDING SERVICES ENGINEERING LEVEL 2

One year

Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject.

On completion you will have the opportunity to progress on to electrical installation, plumbing, gas, heating and ventilation or one of our many Apprenticeships.

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

Why Southport College?

- All of our tutors are industry experienced working as successful tradespeople for a number of years.
- The College has excellent facilities with specially designed workshops where students can work independently or as part of a team.
- We ensure students are kept up-to-date with the latest industry developments.
- We have strong links with local employers and offer Apprenticeships in a number of Plumbing & Heating and Electrical Installation.

What will I study?

You will cover four areas of building services engineering:
- Plumbing
- Electrotechnical
- Heating and ventilating
- Refrigeration and air conditioning
You will also study:
- Safe working practices
- Environmental protection
- The science of building services
- Renewable energy and the conservation of energies

Careers after the course

This course prepares you to start other qualifications and will give you a head start in other Level 2 courses including:

- Plumbing
- Electrical installation
- Gas
- Heating & Ventilation

BUILDING SERVICES ENGINEERING

SAM SMITH

COURSE STUDIED: BUILDING SERVICES ENGINEERING LEVEL 2

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: FORMBY HIGH SCHOOL

I chose to come to Southport College because it was local and it was the only place that offered Building Services Engineering which has given me a good understanding to move onto the plumbing course. College is different to school because you choose the course that you want to do so all of your lessons are enjoyable. I would recommend Southport College because it has great facilities and the tutors know the industry very well which is an advantage for students. They will help you with your industry knowledge and focus on you individually, treating you like an adult.

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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 business 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.

There are chances to be involved in realistic experiences with mock events such as Dragon's Den, where students can present their ideas to representatives from the business world.

### Why 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.
- Tutors regularly organise trips and visits to local, national and international businesses, allowing students to gain more knowledge and experiences from the business world including Land Rover, The Trafford Centre and Blackpool Pleasure Beach.

### What will I study?
- Marketing campaigns
- Event management
- Business decision making
- Personal & business finance
- Planning & pitching an enterprise idea
- Investigating customer service
- Principles of management
- International business
- New business development

### Careers after the course
- **Accounting Technician**: £22,000 – £32,000
- **Chartered Accountant**: £26,000 – £50,000
- **Buyer**: £18,000 – £33,000
- **Retail Manager**: £21,000 – £34,000
- **Marketing Manager**: £25,000 – £50,000

### COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

#### RETAIL LEVEL 1 (AMBITION)
One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade 2 (with at least one grade 3) or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 2 and maths and English GCSE or equivalent at grade 1.

#### BUSINESS & ENTERPRISE LEVEL 2
One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D (grade 3 with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 2 Diploma in a related subject and Level 2 Functional Skills in maths and English.

#### BUSINESS LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)
Two years
- Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

#### BUSINESS WITH ACCOUNTING LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)
Two years
- Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

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### SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE

**CALLUM THOMSON**

**COURSE STUDIED: BUSINESS LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**

**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: MEOLS COP HIGH SCHOOL**

I chose Southport College because I have family and friends who attended here and recommended it. It is easily accessible to me and offers everything I need from a college. I have enjoyed learning something new and gaining the knowledge to get into the working world. The advice I would give to a student wanting to come to Southport College is to be organised and use your time wisely; enjoy it whilst you’re here. Why go anywhere else when you’ve got everything you need right here!
Children are an integral part of our country’s future so it is imperative that the care offered for them is of a very high standard. This means that only those qualified and with experience working with children will be successful in gaining a career in the industry. A career in childcare requires careful planning and preparation and a wide skill set including communication, problem-solving skills and the ability to work with others.

Many of our childcare students move straight into employment within the childcare industry in local nurseries and early years settings. Some choose to use the experience they’ve gained to work overseas securing employment as au pairs, nannies and childcare agency staff. Other students progress on to higher education studying degrees in childcare such as Early Years, Education Studies and Children, Young People and their Services or nursing and care degree courses.

Our Childcare department has been part of a £2.6million refurbishment creating one of the most modern learning environments in the region, giving students unique learning spaces with simulated nurseries, state-of-the-art facilities and open plan work spaces.

**Why Southport College?**
- Regular work placements are arranged for students to develop their knowledge and skills.
- We have industry-specific equipment to practise skills such as a designated playroom and realistic baby simulators.
- Tutors with extensive industry knowledge from previous employment in a broad range of roles within the sector such as nursing, play worker, nursery nurse, child minder, police officer and teacher.

**What will I study?**
- Personal development
- Children’s development
- Healthy eating
- Communication
- Supporting positive behaviour
- Behaviour management
- Principles for early year’s provision
- Promoting children’s welfare
- Supporting children’s speech, language and communication
- Professional practice
- Safeguarding
- Health and safety
- Legislation and current frameworks

**Careers after the course**
- Nursery Nurse: £34,000 - £17,000
- Youth Worker: £19,000 - £30,000
- Primary School Teacher: £22,000 - £35,000
- Paediatric Nurse: £21,388 - £40,000

**COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE**

**CHILDRE LEVEL 1 (AMBITION)**
One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade E (3) and maths and English at grade F (2) or equivalent
- Related Level 2 course with maths and English entry requirements achieved

**INTRO TO EARLY YEARS EDUCATION LEVEL 2**
One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D (3) or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and maths and English at grade 3
- Related Level 3 course with maths and English entry requirements achieved.

**LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA IN EARLY YEARS AND CARE**
- Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including English and maths or equivalent
- Level 3 Diploma in a related subject and maths and English at Level 2

*Courses that require an element of working with children or vulnerable adults require students to undertake a compulsory Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) check. Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

**LEANNE CHAMBERS**
**COURSE STUDIED: CHILDCARE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**
**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: IES BENALMADERA**

I have found that you are able to take more control of your learning here at Southport College and that promotes independence. Staff and teachers at Southport College give you a lot of support helping whenever they can and there are a lot of new facilities here too. I’ve enjoyed being one step closer to achieving my career goals and also being able to build a good social circle. The advice I would give to students applying to college is to properly research your course making sure that it’s the right course for you. There’s a lot of useful information available at open evenings too!
Computing and IT is at the centre of everyday life and found in almost all industries and businesses across the world. These include computer programming and consultancy, internet service provision, telecommunications, computer gaming plus many more. The UK has the second biggest IT and computing sector in Europe, worth £81 billion. The industry is forecast to continue expanding and employment in the sector over the next decade is projected to grow nearly five times as fast as the UK average. This means that studying a computing related course is very desirable, with good career opportunities.

Why Southport College?
- We provide access to live briefs so lessons are not limited to the classroom.
- We offer students the opportunity to visit places like Museum of Science and Industry, Manchester, CAE Technology Services and the Retro Games Arcade.
- 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.
- We have strong links with businesses and universities, giving our students opportunities such as talks and workshops with representatives from companies including Google and Microsoft.

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

What will I study?
- Website design
- Database design
- Network design
- Digital graphics
- Technical support
- Software development

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

ICT BTEC LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in maths and English.
With a merit, Level 3 Extended Diploma courses such as Computer Science & Technology or Apprenticeship

COMPUTER SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY BTEC LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA EQUVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)
Two years
Minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4+ for Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2
Employment or university

JOE TAYLOR
COURSE STUDIED: COMPUTER SCIENCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: DYES HIGH SCHOOL
I looked at different colleges but preferred the course here in Southport College. The College offers a very supportive and friendly environment so if it has the course you want then go for it! I'm hoping to progress onto an IT related Apprenticeship which will help to achieve my goal of becoming a Network Security Engineer in the future. My biggest achievement at College was getting a Distinction in my work.

Careers after the course
IT Technician: £18,000 - £30,000
Network Engineer: £18,000 - £40,000
Systems Analyst: £20,000 – £45,000
Web Designer: £22,000 - £30,000
The construction industry contributes around £100 billion to the UK economy and is essential to the development of infrastructure (roads and rail) as well as the creation of public and private buildings, houses and shops. It is an exciting time to join the construction industry with the development of environmentally friendly building practices and technologies. Employment in construction is set to increase and there are many specialist roles to choose from including project management and surveying.

**COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE**

**CONSTRUCTION, SURVEYING & ARCHITECTURE**

**LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**

EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)

Two years

Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

**Why Southport College?**

- Realistic CAD suite and computer room
- Industry-standard tools and equipment are used throughout the department.
- Students will have the opportunity to take place in work placements throughout the course.
- All of our tutors are industry experienced tradespeople and pass on their skills and knowledge to the students.
- Opportunities to work on projects for real businesses are regular on the course such as survey work at Parenting 2000.

**What will I study?**

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

**Careers after the course**

- Architect: £19,000 - £43,000
- Civil Engineering: £14,000 - £35,000
- Construction Project Manager: £27,000 - £45,000
- Quantity Surveyor: £20,000 - £45,000
- Site Manager: £27,000 - £45,000

The construction department have strong links with Sefton Council planning department, M&P Surveying and Turner Construction.

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**NATHANIEL BROWN**  
**COURSE STUDIED: CONSTRUCTION, SURVEYING AND ARCHITECTURE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**  
**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: STANLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

I previously studied at another college and decided I didn’t like the courses I had chosen, I also didn’t enjoy attending that college so I decided to come to Southport College instead. After coming to Southport College I have found that the teaching standard is great and the knowledge you learn from the course is invaluable. I very much enjoyed doing my work experience on the Liverpool Royal Hospital build. As part of my sport enrichment I played on the badminton team and we reached the finals. I’ve really enjoyed my time here!
CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION

School of Media and The Arts (SOMA) is a specialist unit within the College designed to give students first-hand access to industries they may work with after college or university. Media students at Southport College are encouraged to explore and develop innovative techniques that challenge and intrigue the viewer.
Creative and cultural industries contribute £6.8 billion to the UK’s economy with over 190,000 people employed by the design industry. Creative Media Production courses offer you a variety of challenging yet rewarding career paths, from the creative and innovative such as product designer and photographer to the practical and pragmatic such as marketing and advertising.

This is a very exciting and dynamic industry to be employed in, with many different opportunities open to you.

**COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE**

**CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION & TECHNOLOGY**

**LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA**

One year

- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in maths and English.

**LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)**

Two years

- Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*- C (9-4) including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course. You will also need to produce a portfolio of work and bring it to your interview.

**Why Southport College?**

- Live projects with companies such as Farmageddon, Samaritans, Learning on Screen Awards (British Film Institute), help students to prepare for careers in the industry.
- The College has strong links with The Atkinson in Southport, allowing students to exhibit work, films and animations and taking part in collaborative projects.
- Students regularly attend trips to help to develop their skills and knowledge of the industry. Recent trips include: Berlin, Bradford Media Museum, Media City in Salford and the Photography Show in Birmingham.

**What will I study?**

- Working to a brief with clients
- Pre-production Techniques
- Audio-Visual Editing Techniques
- Single Camera Techniques
- Designing Idents for TV
- Sound Recording Techniques
- Digital Photography
- Creating a Show-reel
- Multi-Camera Production
- Final Cut Pro
- Adobe Creative suite

**Careers after the course**

- Lighting Technician: £15,000 - £25,000
- Sound Engineer: £13,000 - £40,000
- TV Producer: £18,000 - £55,000
- Marketing Executive: £18,000 - £40,000
- Newspaper Journalist: £15,000 - £50,000
- Animator: £12,000 - £30,000

Southport College has the best facilities in the area: fully equipped fashion and print workshops, state-of-the-art Mac suites and exciting photography and TV studios.

**COURSE STUDIED: CREATIVE MEDIA LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**

**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: MEOLS COP HIGH SCHOOL**

I went to taster days at a couple of colleges but Southport College felt more comfortable for me. I found that the creative media course offered a good learning environment with people who will help me to develop my skills. The course has an excellent variety of resources available to increase my knowledge of the media industry. I have enjoyed coming to College as I have been able to concentrate on one subject that I am passionate about. I am continuing my studies at UCLan doing film production next year.

JOSEPH HAGAN

SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE
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.

**ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION LEVEL 2**
- One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including maths at grade 9-4 or relevant Level 1 qualification.

**ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION LEVEL 3**
- Equivalent to A Levels
- Two years
- Pass at Level 2 Electrical Installation and a minimum grade 4 in maths or equivalent
- Level 3 Electrical Installation or Higher Apprenticeship

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE**
- Level 3 Electrical Installation or Higher Apprenticeship
- Pass at Level 2 Electrical Installation and a minimum grade 4 in maths or equivalent
- Employment, Advanced Apprenticeship, HND, Foundation Degree or further study such as 17th Edition

**Careers after the course**
- Many qualified electricians set up their own businesses and experienced workers can earn upwards of £35,000

**Why Southport College?**
- Our courses are recognised by the electrical installation industry.
- Students have the opportunity to become fully qualified as an approved contractor through the Competent Person Scheme (CPS).
- The purpose-built workshops with the latest equipment prepare students for working in the industry.
- Students are kept up to date with the latest industry developments.
- Most projects and assignments throughout the course are based on realistic workplace situations.

**What will I study?**
- Basic installation
- Electrical principles
- Electrotechnology
- Inspection testing and commissioning
- Fault diagnosis and repair
- Circuit design

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**More information**
- Visit the Southport College website for more information and to apply online.
- You can also phone the Admissions Team on 0800 500 8000.

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**ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION**

**EDGARS ZALCMANIS**

**COURSE STUDIED:** ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION LEVEL 3

**PREVIOUS SCHOOL:** BIRKDALE HIGH SCHOOL

I joined Southport College as they have a good reputation and good results, it’s always been my first choice! On my course I’ve enjoyed being able to do so many practical things and being treated like an adult. The support from the tutors has been great too. As part of the course we participated in an external training programme by ISOH which has given me much more knowledge of the electrical industry. I also took part in the football team for my Sport Enrichment. I definitely made the right choice by choosing Southport College.
Engineers solve problems and 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. Nearly 20% of the UK workforce consists of engineers and engineering students have many career options to choose.

At Southport College, our courses focus on mechanical and electronic engineering. Typically, you could be in a computer laboratory planning your designs one day and fabricating your designs in the workshop the next.

Why Southport College?
- In summer 2016 our Engineering department will benefit from a £1.3 million refurbishment project providing students with a new, modern e-learning classroom and extended and refurbished workshop housing £150,000 of new equipment.
- All of our tutors are industry experienced tradespeople who pass on their wealth of skills and knowledge to students.
- Industry-standard tools and test equipment are used in the workshops to help students prepare for work in the industry.

What will I study?
- Machining
- Electrical testing
- Fabrication
- Welding
- Electronic design
- Auto CAD
- Designing and testing electronic circuits

Careers after the course
- Aerospace Engineer: £20,000 - £40,000
- Electronic Engineer: £21,000 - £55,000
- Mechanical Engineer: £22,000 - £50,000
- Welder: £16,000 - £33,000

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE
ENGINEERING LEVEL 2
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject. Level 3 Engineering, Level 2 Electrical Installation, Level 2 Vehicle Engineering or employment/Higher Apprenticeship

ENGINEERING LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT TO THREE A- LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)
Two years
Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English at grade 4. University, employment or Advanced Higher Apprenticeship

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

The department have strong links with Stork Technical Services, Lattimer Engineering and UBH International Ltd.

I chose Southport College because it has an outstanding reputation. I would recommend this College because it has something for everyone and covers a wide variety of courses for people to choose from. I have enjoyed meeting new people on my course, the practical side of it, the trips we go on and taking part in my work experience at Stork Ltd. I am hoping to go onto a Network Rail Apprenticeship after completing my course. My biggest achievement at Southport College was winning 1st place in the Rotary club and Lattimer precision technology tournament.
This is an exciting course which aims to help you develop your English speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in everyday life whilst gaining real life work experience as you study. This course provides a stepping stone to vocational routes and general preparation for work. You will study units that will allow you to develop your written and verbal English skills, have the opportunity to take part in listening tasks occurring in everyday life, be introduced to the world of work and experience vocational tasters to help you to progress to further training.

Why Southport College?
- Take part in trips and visits.
- Develop confidence and motivation.
- Develop communication skills and job search techniques.
- Join in cross College activities and events.
- Enjoy College enrichment activities.
- Experience vocational tasters enabling you to progress to further learning and training.

What will I study?
- English speaking, listening, reading and writing skills
- Role plays (e.g. job interviews, talking to Jobcentre advisors and doctor’s appointments)
- Advanced English
- Job seeking skills
- English vocabulary
- English grammar

Careers after the course
In the second year you will study at Entry Level 2 and 3 studying more advanced English and focusing on developing the skills needed to find employment.

This course provides a stepping stone to vocational routes and general preparation for work. Depending on your progress on the ESOL course you could choose to move onto one of a range of other courses on offer at Southport College or move straight into the world of work.

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH DIPLOMA
(16-19 ESOL)
ENTRY LEVEL 1-3
Two years
Successful interview, initial assessment and satisfactory reference.

Level 1 course of your choice.

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

PEDRO RENATO FERREIRA LUCIANO

COURSE STUDIED: ESOL & RETAIL LEVEL 1
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: (HIGH SCHOOL, IN PORTUGAL)

Southport College was the only college that offered a combination of ESOL and Retail Level 1. College is very different than school because you have more free time, a day off and you are treated like an adult. I’ve also gained a valuable insight into the world of work. The ESOL and Retail courses have given me lots of experience and have lead me onto the creative course that I’m studying now.

English for speakers of other languages

Success starts in Southport

SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE

ESOL
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.

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.

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

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

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

Packaging and producing a finished product.

Success starts in Southport
Games Design is a fast-growing industry that offers many exciting opportunities, employing over 12,000 people in the UK. The UK video games industry is the largest in Europe and boasts some of the finest video games studios globally, many of which are situated in the North West. A number of our former students have gone on to work at major companies on titles such as Grand Theft Auto, Lego Hobbit and Carmageddon Max Damage.

Why Southport College?

- We were the first college in the North West to offer this course so we already have a fantastic reputation and excellent facilities.
- You will learn many transferable skills from the Games Design course including project management, life-drawing, painting, audio editing and Photoshop techniques.
- Students use the same Hollywood standard computer-generated imagery program as those used to create the graphics in Oscar-winning films such as Pirates of the Caribbean and War for the Planet of the Apes.

What will I study?

- Game construction
- 3D modelling and animation
- 2D animation
- Storyboarding
- Games platforms
- Project management
- Photoshop
- Audio editing
- Quality assurance

Careers after the course

- Games Designer: £25,000 - £50,000
- Animator: £20,000 - £40,000
- Games Tester: £12,000 - £30,000
- Character Artist: £18,000 - £40,000
- Project Manager: £18,000 - £45,000

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

GAMES DESIGN LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 248 UCAS POINTS)

Two years

Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

Applications need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.
A small sample of the diversity and talent that our students demonstrate year after year in this highly competitive and creative sector.
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. Graphic design is all about communication, whether it is visual advertising, marketing strategy or brand development and can be seen all around you.

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

WHY SOUTHPORT COLLEGE?
- 50% of projects on the course are ‘live’: students work to real-life briefs e.g. brand development, footwear campaigns, issue-based projects, international competitions and design for businesses and organisations.
- All students develop a professional blog to showcase their work and prepare them for university and employment.
- We have excellent facilities and resources: a fully equipped design studio, professional gallery space, Apple Mac suite, photography, film, printmaking and TV studio, industry-standard software and even a 3D printer.
- Our team has close links with industry professionals who are regularly invited into College to deliver presentations and work sessions.

WHAT WILL I STUDY?
- Traditional and computer-based illustration
- Printmaking
- Image manipulation
- Photography
- Web design
- Branding
- Advertising/Marketing
- Typography
- Illustration
- Animation
- Drawing
- Painting

CAREERS AFTER THE COURSE
- Graphic Designer: £17,000 - £30,000
- Product Designer: £17,000 - £40,000
- Illustrator: £14,000 - £40,000
- Animator: £14,000 - £36,000
- Interior Designer: £18,000 - £45,000
- Marketing/Advertising: £25,000 - £50,000
- Photographer: £18,000 - £50,000
- Web Designer: £22,000 - £30,000

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
- GRAPHIC DESIGN LEVEL 3 UAL DIPLOMA
  - EQUVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)
  - Two years
  - Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.
  - Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.
  - Applicants will also need to provide a good portfolio of work at their interview.

JOEL FLETCHER
SOUTHPORT COLLEGE
STUDENT PROFILE

I had the opportunity in year 11 to take the equivalent of a Level 1 Creative Media course at Southport College. I was so impressed with the tutors and the standard of the facilities I wanted to continue my studies here. One of our live briefs was to design a logo for Farmaggedon. The client chose my design and used it for their 10th anniversary logo! This was the first time I thought I really could do this professionally and it’s spurred me on ever since. After my logo was chosen I was offered a job at Farmaggedon to produce their online graphics, videos and photography. This course has given me a detailed insight into what it means to be a graphic designer which has helped me find my way into the industry.
HAIRDRESSING

Our annual hairdressing and barbering competition gives our students the opportunity to collaborate with other professionals and work within a team to a tight deadline; valuable skills for any industry or career path.
The hair and beauty sector has a turnover of £6.2 billion a year and employs nearly a quarter of a million people across 55,000 businesses.

Hairdressing is a very exciting industry with a wide range of career choices. You could become a salon stylist, specialist technician, photographic session stylist, salon manager or open your own salon. Large companies such as L’Oreal and Bed Head employ thousands of staff worldwide in a variety of roles including product specialist and training roles. Hairdressing can offer more career choices to you than you might think.

Our courses are kept up to date with current trends with input from employers and HABIA (the hair and beauty industry body).

Why Southport College?

- There are regular trips and visits organised so students can find out more about working in the hair sector. These include events such as the Blackpool Hair Show and Salon International, London where students are able to sample new products and equipment.
- The tutors have extensive industry experience and have worked in television, on cruise-liners and at a five-star resort in Dubai, opened their own salons and are published authors.
- Students are encouraged and given support to enter competitions outside College to enhance their skills and abilities.

What will I study?

- Shampooing and conditioning
- Cutting and styling
- Setting and dressing hair
- Hair colouring
- Drying and finishing hair
- Gaining experience in supervisory roles

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

HAIRDRESSING AND BEAUTY THERAPY LEVEL 1
(AMBITIOUS)
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 2 and maths and English GCSE or equivalent at grade 1.

Level 2 course such as Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy
Barber or Hair Stylist: £14,000 - £30,000+
If you go on to open your own salon then these amounts can rise significantly.

HAIRDRESSING LEVEL 2
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D (grade 3 with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 3 Diploma in a related subject.

Employment/Apprenticeship

Careers after the course

Applications need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

Our hairdressing and barbering students take part in competitions, with industry professionals judging their creations. They also take part in professional workshops, charity events and benefit from the input of industry guest speakers.

ALICE DRAPER

COURSE STUDIED: HAIRDRESSING LEVEL 2
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: TARLETON ACADEMY

I chose Southport College because they had impressive Open Evenings, offered travel passes and had good facilities; especially the hairdressing salons. I’ve enjoyed making new friends on the course and taking part in hairdressing competitions. The travel pass that I received helps me to get to and from college easily and it’s free! The College has a good atmosphere and friendly and approachable staff.
Barbering Level 2 and Hairdressing Level 3 qualifications are offered as part of an Apprenticeship. Apprenticeships are a way of gaining a qualification whilst working for a business and earning a weekly wage. You obtain the same qualification as you would on a vocational course, but you will also be gaining valuable work experience too. As a Barbering Level 2 or Hairdressing Level 3 Apprentice you would attend college one day per week and the rest of the week would be spent with your employer.

**Why Southport College?**
- Our tutors have extensive industry experience and have all worked within the hairdressing sector.
- We have close links with local hairdressing and barbering businesses.
- Students are encouraged and given support to take part in competitions outside College to enhance their skills and abilities.

**What will I need to study for an Apprenticeship?**
- A suitable employer – we may be able to match you with one of our Apprenticeship vacancies.
- To be working a minimum of 30 hours per week.
- Successful interview and initial assessment.
- Demonstrate you can achieve English and maths at Level 2.
- Suitable reference.

**Careers after the course**
Barber or Hair Stylist: £14,000 - £30,000+
If you go on to open your own salon then these amounts can rise significantly.

**If you are ready to register your CV with us you can email it to employer@southport.ac.uk**

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**TAYLOR READ**
**COURSE STUDIED: BARBERING LEVEL 2**
**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: STANLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

I looked at other colleges but I liked how up to date the Southport College salons were. I’ve enjoyed the atmosphere of the College and being able to meet new clients regularly. You are treated like an adult here and the confidence I’ve gained here has helped me to meet the needs of new clients. If you’re unsure of coming to Southport College I would say come and be a part of this wonderful College, enjoy it and hard work does pay off.
Working in the health and social care sector can be both rewarding and fulfilling and you could find yourself providing support to people at the best and worst times of their lives. 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 starting block if you are looking to pursue a career in nursing, social work, occupational therapy, midwifery or other health and social care roles. Our courses are vocational, so you will be putting your skills into 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 Southport College?
- You will undertake work experience through a weekly work placement within a health and social care setting.
- Our course tutors have vocational experience in the sector, including specialists in paediatrics, spinal injuries, vascular surgery, sexual health and midwifery.
- We have a hospital ward simulation unit where you can gain experience of using electronic beds, a pregnancy belly that simulates pregnancy and an ageing suit that simulates the process of growing old.
- The health and social care team have close links with Southport and Ormskirk hospital providing students the opportunity to gain work experience within the NHS.

What will I study?
- Personal development
- Counselling
- First aid
- Communication in health and social care
- Sociology and psychology
- The impact of diet on health
- Safe practices
- Anatomy and physiology for health and social care
- Development within the human lifespan

Careers after the course
- Care Assistant: £12,000 - £21,000
- Midwife: £21,388 - £40,000
- Nurse: £21,388 - £27,901
- Social Worker: £19,500 - £40,000

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

**HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA**
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 2 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in maths and English.

**HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE LEVEL 3 FOUNDATION DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT TO 1.5 A LEVELS (UP TO 84 UCAS POINTS)**
One year
Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*- C (9-4) including maths and/or English at Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

**HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA ACORN PATHWAY EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)**
Two years
Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*- C (9-4) including maths and English or Merit in Level 2 Health & Social Care and maths and English at Level 2.

Applicants will need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course. *Courses that require an element of working with children or vulnerable adults require students to undertake a compulsory Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) check. If Acorn Pathway applicants will require a second interview with staff from the NHS.*

### Health & Social Care

**Grace Dowd**

**Course Studied:** Health & Social Care Level 3 Extended Diploma with Cadetship

**Previous School:** Greenbank High School

I looked at a couple of colleges but I chose Southport College because the Acorn Programme offers work placements in the NHS; something other colleges didn’t offer. The vocational experience that I gained was invaluable in helping me to decide which medical discipline I want to pursue. The strong links with the local hospitals mean that Southport College offer brilliant work placements and the teachers nurtured and helped us to grow during our time at College. I would recommend Southport College because it’s an outstanding course. The opportunities and work placements available make it the best choice for anyone wanting to pursue a career in the medical sector. The best part is it’s on your doorstep!
If you love the idea of running a hotel or restaurant then our hospitality courses can be the first step towards your ideal job. There are a wide range of job roles within this sector ranging from bartender to conference and exhibitions manager. The hospitality and catering sector is all around us and the sector has contributed to the success of international events such as the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics. The sector is a large employer and there is a high demand for new workers particularly those with specialist hospitality and catering skills.

Why Southport College?
- You will experience preparing food for paying clients in the College’s restaurant ‘Clouds’, preparing you for work in the industry when you complete your course.
- You will learn new skills with regular demonstrations from barista and wine sommelier.
- You will organise and run themed nights in our restaurant such as Chinese New Year celebrations and seafood banquets.

What will I study?
- Food and beverage service skills
- Basic food preparation and cooking
- Barista skills and cocktail mixology
- Menu knowledge
- Wine knowledge and bar service
- Food safety
- Plan and host themed evenings
- Supervision of hospitality events
- Customer service

Careers after the course
- Events Manager: £18,000 - £39,000
- Bartender: £11,000 - £17,000
- Hotel Manager: £29,000 - £35,000
- Restaurant Manager: £18,000 - £40,000

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

INTRODUCTION TO THE HOTEL INDUSTRY LEVEL 1
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade E (3) and English and maths at grade 2 or equivalent.

LEVEL 2 FOOD & BEVERAGE SERVICE, PROFESSIONAL COOKERY OR INTERNSHIP
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject.

SUPERVISION OF FOOD & BEVERAGE SERVICE LEVEL 3 ADVANCED TECHNICAL DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT TO A LEVELS
One year
Pass at Level 2 or equivalent in related subject and minimum grade 4 in maths and/or English or equivalent.

Applicants will need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

MARK SCHOFIELD
COURSE STUDIED: FOOD & BEVERAGE SERVICE SUPERVISION LEVEL 3
I chose to come to Southport College because the facilities, including Clouds Restaurant, are much better than those I had seen elsewhere. The course goes into very technical details and throughout the year they have different theme nights which I enjoy. Southport College is an excellent college, the staff are very easy going and the restaurant is a brilliant place to do your work experience and meet different types of customers. My ultimate career goal is to open up my own restaurant, manage a restaurant or become an events manager.
If you love food and enjoy cooking then a career in Professional Cookery could be for you. There are a wide range of job roles within this sector ranging from kitchen assistant to head chef in a restaurant. The hospitality and catering sector is all around us and the sector has contributed to the success of international events such as the 2012 Olympics and Paralympics. The sector is a large employer and there is a high demand for new workers, particularly those with specialist hospitality and catering skills.

### COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

#### PROFESSIONAL COOKERY LEVEL 1
- **One year**
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade E (3) and English and maths at grade 2 or equivalent.

#### Level 2 Professional Cookery
- **One year**
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject.
- Employment or Level 3 Professional Cookery, Hospitality or Apprenticeship.

#### PROFESSIONAL COOKERY LEVEL 3
- **ADVANCED TECHNICAL DIPLOMA**
- **One year**
- Pass at Level 2 or equivalent in related subject and minimum grade 4 in maths and/or English or equivalent
- Employment or university

#### PROFESSIONAL PATISSERIE & CONFECTIONARY LEVEL 3 ADVANCED TECHNICAL DIPLOMA
- **One year**
- Pass at Level 2 or equivalent in related subject and minimum grade 4 in maths and/or English or equivalent
- Employment or university

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

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

### Careers after the course
- **Baker:** £11,600 - £25,000
- **Chef de Partie:** £13,000 - £30,000
- **Head Chef:** £23,000 - £27,000
- **Butcher:** £12,000 - £22,000

### Why Southport College?
- You will experience preparing food for paying clients in the College’s restaurant ‘Clouds’, preparing you for work in the industry when you complete your course.
- We have modern training kitchens with the latest equipment to prepare you for employment in the industry.
- You will learn new skills with regular demonstrations from guest chefs.
- You will organise and run themed nights in our restaurant such as Chinese New Year celebrations and seafood banquets.
- You will plan and develop themed nights in our restaurant such as Medieval Banquets, Mad Hatters Tea party and Into the Blue.

The extensive refit and expansion to our kitchens means we have some of the best teaching facilities in the north-west area.

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**HOSPITALITY & PROFESSIONAL COOKERY**

**CHARLOTTE ASHTON**

**COURSE STUDIED:** PROFESSIONAL COOKERY LEVEL 2  
**PREVIOUS SCHOOL:** BURSCOUGH PRIORY SCIENCE COLLEGE

I chose Southport College because the tutors were very welcoming and friendly and the kitchens had recently been refurbished. I would recommend my course because everything you learn on the course helps you to become the chef you want to be. You learn something new every day and the tutors are there to help you if there is an aspect of work that you find difficult. The theme nights and guest chef nights are fantastic experiences for students as it helps to understand what you could go onto after you finish the course. I have received a bursary and a bus pass during my time at College which is very helpful; the bus pass is also lifesaver!
Clouds is a fully working restaurant that gives Hospitality & Catering students the necessary work experience to be successful within the hospitality and catering industry.

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

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

OPENING TIMES
* Tuesday and Thursday Lunch 12.00-12.30pm
* Tuesday evening for Private Functions 6.30-10.00pm
* Wednesday theme nights 6.30-10.00pm

Telephone contact 01704 392676
As part of their development we think it’s important that our students get experience from other professionals, so this year we invited some of Britain’s most successful chefs into College!

Over the year Clouds Restaurant welcomed industry experienced chefs to Southport College to pass on their skills and knowledge to our trainee chefs. Tony Singh, Gavin Skeoch and James Holden were among the chefs that worked alongside the students to prepare and cook exceptional meals four our customers at Clouds Restaurant.
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 Southport College?
- Hamilton Acorn sponsor our nationally recognised Student of the Year award.
- Our tutors are all industry experienced tradespeople with years of experience in the painting and decorating industry.
- The department have strong links with local and global businesses such as Hamilton Acorn, Dulux and Graham & Brown.
- Students have access to the latest products and industry-standard equipment.

What will I study?
- Preparation of surfaces
- Applying foundation and plain papers
- Specialist decorative finishes
- Installation of coving and feature work
- Advanced spray systems
- Applying paint to complex areas
- Applying hangings to walls and ceilings

Careers after the course
- Interior Designer: £18,000 - £40,000
- Painter and Decorator: £14,500 - £23,000
- Industrial Sprayer: £17,000 - £23,000
- Freelance Painter/Decorators can earn about £100 a day

The College benefits from excellent facilities with a brand new, custom-built painting and decorating workshop.

SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE

THOMAS MCCARTHY
COURSE STUDIED: PAINTING & DECORATING LEVEL 2
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: MEOLS CUP HIGH SCHOOL

The Painting & Decorating course is fun and interesting, you have freedom on the course and it has given me a clearer understanding of what I want to do in the future. The practical side of the course is really enjoyable and the tutors are fantastic. I would recommend this course to anyone. If you’re a creative and practical person then Painting & Decorating could be the course you’re looking for!
Mother Courage and her children

Bertolt Brecht

Written in 1939 and dealing with the dogged progress of a wily canteen woman and her children in the wake of a regiment during the thirty-years’ war, this is considered one of the greatest plays of the twentieth century. Our production combined the grittiness of Brecht with music, dance and physical theatre in a two-act piece that continues to be relevant.
The world of performing arts is a fast-paced and exciting environment to be a part of and achieving a career in the industry is incredibly rewarding, although very challenging.

Our courses are designed specifically to help those who wish to pursue a career as a professional performer. However, they also provide strong transferable skills that can be applied to a variety of careers and further education courses. These include confidence, communication, self-motivation, teamwork, time management and the ability to think creatively and independently.

Our performing arts staff, also work in the industry as performers and are able to pass on their experience and advice to students. We have a professionally trained dancer who has performed in many venues across the UK, and an actor who has worked on short films for the BBC and had leading parts in Shakespeare plays.

Why Southport College?
- You get the opportunity to perform in a number of acclaimed productions from plays and devised pieces to full-scale musicals.
- You take part in performance tours which are taken to local schools.
- You have the chance to devise and perform your own pieces of work.
- You will study drama, dance and singing which will prepare you for employment in a competitive industry.
- Our past students, as well as going on to successful performing careers, have secured industry roles such as presenting, administration, writing, marketing and teaching positions.

Due to smaller class sizes the students get more individual attention and great pastoral care from the tutors.

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

PERFORMING ARTS LEVEL 2
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in maths and English.

PERFORMING ARTS LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)
Two years
Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2. Employment, university or stage school to study dance, theatre, drama or other related subjects.

CAREERS AFTER THE COURSE

There are a wide variety of options involving performing, but this course can also lead to a diverse range of non-performing opportunities.
- Acting, dance or musical roles within theatre, film and TV and studio settings.
- Scriptwriting
- Directing
- Choreography
- Composing and musical direction
- Technical roles such as stage management, sound, lighting and camera operators.
- TV, news, theatre and music production.
- General administration and ticketing.
- Roles in education such as teaching, private tuition, drama or music therapy.

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SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE

CHARLOTTE RICE
COURSE STUDIED: PERFORMING ARTS LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: GREENBANK HIGH SCHOOL

I initially looked at going to another college but Southport College offered more practical lessons which I preferred. I have enjoyed acting in the plays throughout the year and being able to travel around different high schools performing has given me a new experience in the industry. I would recommend my course because you get to perform throughout the two years, getting practical experience and training: it’s not just theory. It’s a great experience and I’ve made lots of new friends too!

SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: COURSE PROSPECTUS 2018

Success starts in Southport
Cats
'Cats' is based on ‘Old Possum’s Book of Practical Cats’ by T S Elliot and with music by Andrew Lloyd-Webber. It has a talented cast of twenty seven singers and dancers onstage throughout. Eliot’s incredible lyrics and Lloyd-Webber’s eclectic mix of clever melody and harmony woven into this icon of musical theatre cannot fail to impress.

Grease
Who doesn’t know Rydell High’s senior class of 1959: duck-tailed, hot-rod ding “Burger Palace Boys” and their gum-snapping, hip-shaking “Pink Ladies” in bobby sox and pedal pushers, evoking the look and sound of the 1950s in this energetic musical. An 8-year run on Broadway and many revivals place ‘Grease’ among the world’s most popular shows.

Zombie Prom
‘Zombie Prom’ is not what you might expect. What starts as a girl-loves-ghoul rock and roll musical set in a US High School in the atomic 1950s soon descends into dark humour, satirising everything from ‘Grease’ to ‘High School Musical’. With a nuclear-powered zombie, a tyrannical Principal, a scandal reporter, clever songs and spectacular dances, this bizarre and fast-moving show does not fail to amuse.

Moulin Rouge
'Moulin Rouge’ was a concept developed and co-written by Baz Luhrmann, who directed the 2001 film. Set around the famous Paris venue in 1899 and drawn from the Greek tragedy of Orpheus and Eurydice, the piece contrasts the values of the Bohemians—beauty, freedom, truth and love— with the harsh brutality of life in the Moulin Rouge by means of a tragic relationship between Christian, a writer, and Satine, a performer.
PHOTOGRAPHY

Capturing a critical moment in time whether in the street or studio, often requires patience and perseverance combined with skill and imagination.
Photography is one of the only forms of communication that is truly universal, crossing social and cultural boundaries and interweaving itself seamlessly with so many aspects of our lives. Photography finds its way into almost every industry from marketing to education to space science. The photography course at Southport College is exciting, demanding, challenging and stimulating and offers a broad learning experience.

**Why Southport College?**
- The College has fantastic, extensive facilities including a darkroom and photography studios for students to use.
- Students are encouraged and assisted to enter lots of photography competitions such as Association of Colleges competition and Harman Technology competition. They often achieve a very high level, meaning that they complete the course with many awards alongside their qualification.
- The College has strong links with the Atkinson in Southport, giving students the option to exhibit work, films and animations and also take part in collaborative projects.

**Regular trips provide students with inspiration for their portfolio work. In the past students have travelled to Berlin, Bradford Media Museum, Media City in Salford and The Photography Show in Birmingham. Some of our students were recent winners of the Royal Academy of Arts summer online exhibition.**

**What will I study?**
- Working to a brief with clients
- Choosing and preparing locations
- Setting up camera, lighting and equipment
- Composing and taking photos
- Sound/Video Recording Techniques
- Light-room workflow
- Adobe Photoshop
- Promotions, advertising and administration
- Creating a professional portfolio

**Careers after the course**
- Photographic Assistant: £12,000 - £17,000
- Photographic Stylist: £12,000 - £35,000
- Full-time Photographer: £38,000 - £50,000
- Press Photographer: £12,000 - £20,000

**JESS MCASSEY**
COURSE STUDIED: PHOTOGRAPHY LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: STREATHAM HOUSE

I chose Southport College because of the great facilities. I’ve enjoyed gaining more experience of the industry and being guided by my tutors who are industry experts. The course offers good facilities and the opportunity to experiment with different film and digital techniques is great. Doing the Level 3 Extended Diploma course has helped me to gain confidence and recognise which subject I wanted to specialise in. I have been offered a place at every university I’ve applied for and I’m currently choosing between Falmouth University or UCLan. In the future I would like to open up my own photography studio specialising in Weddings and Baby photography.
Plumbers fit and service hot and cold water systems, heating systems and drainage networks. Many plumbers are self-employed running their own businesses 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 Southport College?
- All of our tutors are industry-experienced working as successful tradespeople for a number of years.
- The College has excellent facilities with specially designed workshops where students can work independently or as part of a team.
- Updates 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.

What will I study?
- Installation, repair and maintenance
- Above ground drainage
- Plumbing science
- Pipework
- Renewable energy
- Fabrication techniques
- Hot and cold water systems
- Rain water systems
- Heating and ventilation
- Electrical Installation
- Health and safety

Careers after the course
- Central Heating Engineer: £24,000 - £34,000
- Gas Engineer: £18,000 - £32,000
- Plumber: £21,000 - £35,000

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COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

PLUMBING LEVEL 1 (AMBITION)
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade 2 (with at least one grade 3) or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 2 and maths and English GCSE or equivalent at grade 1

Level 2 Plumbing course, employment or Apprenticeship.

PLUMBING LEVEL 2
One year
Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (at least at grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject. And GCSE Science A*-C (9-4).

Related Level 3 course or employment / Apprenticeship.

Applicants need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

Southport College was recommended to me. I looked at the website and it had the course I wanted, so I applied. The College offers more freedom than school and I have a good rapport with the tutors who are really friendly. I would recommend my course because it helps you to learn and develop new skills and it’s a great industry to get into.
Our Public Services courses are ideal for students wishing to pursue a career in public services or outdoor pursuits. Our courses help students to develop the skills, knowledge and experience to go on to pursue a career in the Army, RAF, Navy, police service, fire service, prison service, outdoor activity leadership, expedition leadership and outward bound and more. Past students have gone on to study degree courses such as Psychology, Outdoor Leadership, Policing Studies, Criminology and Law.

Why Southport College?

- The Public Services tutors have a broad range of knowledge and experience to share with students gained from careers in the Armed Forces, Royal Marines and the police force.
- Students take part in regular trips and activities including camping, archery, high rope activities and visits to local courts.
- The department has links with the armed forces, police and fire service which means students can experience valuable insight in to the sector they are interested in.

What will I study?

Level 2
- Physical fitness
- Teamwork and problem solving
- Uniformed services routines
- Employment in the uniformed services
- Health and Safety

Level 3
- Government, Policies and the Public Services
- Leadership and Teamwork
- Fitness Testing and Training for the Uniformed Public Services
- Outdoor and Adventurous Activities
- Employment in the Uniformed Public Services
- Planning and Management of Major incidents
- Understanding the impact of War, Conflict and Terrorism

Careers after the course

- Fire Fighter: £21,157 - £34,961
- Police Officer: £22,000 - £36,500
- Soldier: £12,969 - £100,000+
- Outdoor Activities Instructor: £18,000
- Expedition Leader: £25,000

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

PUBLIC SERVICES LEVEL 2
- One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 1 Diploma in a related subject and Level 1 Functional Skills in maths and English.

PUBLIC SERVICES LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
- Equivalent to 3 A Levels
- Two years
- Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*- C (9-4) including English and maths at grade 3 or Level 2 Diploma in a related subject and Level 2 Functional Skills in maths and English.

Applicants will need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

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COURSE STUDIED: PUBLIC SERVICES LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: CHRIST THE KING HIGH SCHOOL

The Public Services course gives you an insight into the types of jobs you can get in the future and gives you a lot of helpful experience. We also went on lots of brilliant trips too. I have enjoyed taking part in the volleyball enrichment alongside my course. In the future I would like to work for the police and I have recently been promoted to senior cadet leader in police cadets, my course helped me to do this.

WIKTORIA SIUDOWSKA
The science and pharmaceuticals sector is one of the largest and most important in the UK employing more than 900,000 people. It offers a wide variety of careers in areas such as product and process development, research, manufacturing, teaching, forensics and medicine.

If you are considering a career in the science industry then the courses available at Southport College are a great place to start. You have the option of studying Applied Science, going down a medical route or taking a more specialist route with our ever popular Forensic Science course.

Both options open doors to a range of university courses such as environmental science, microbiology, anatomy and physiology, criminology, psychology and forensic science. Students with science degrees are among the most desirable UK graduates and the demand for their skills is set to grow even further over the next few years.

Why Southport College?

- Southport College is well established with excellent facilities and continuously high success rates through having the longest running Science and Forensic Science courses in the area.
- We have an excellent teaching environment with the use of specialist laboratories and a wide range of specialist research resources in our library.
- We have access to mock crime scenes at various locations to put what you have learned into practice. These are also used for assessments.
- We work with Cumbria University and Merseyside Constabulary to ensure our forensic programme is realistic and up-to-date.

What will I study?

**Applied Science**
- Laboratory techniques and their application
- Science investigation skills
- Scientific procedures and techniques
- Physiology of human body systems
- Genetics and genetic engineering

**Forensic & Criminal Investigation**
- Forensic investigation procedures
- Applications of criminology
- Criminal investigation procedures
- Science investigation skills
- Criminal and forensic psychology

Careers after the course

- Research Scientist: £18,500-£36,000+
- Science Teacher: £22,000-£40,000+
- Biotechnologist: £19,000-£60,000
- Zoologist: £21,000-£48,000
- Scene of Crime Officer (Police): £16,000-£35,000
- Laboratory Technician: £15,000-£30,000
- Toxicologist: £20,000-£35,000
- Forensic Psychologist: £20,000-£70,000

Our Science department has recently expanded to include a brand new additional science laboratory that will benefit students on both Applied Science and Forensic Science courses.

COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**APPLIED SCIENCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**
Equivalent to three A levels (up to 168 UCAS points)
Two years

Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English and GCSE Science grade A*-C (9-4) or pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.

Applicants will need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.
Over the past few years the science students have raised more than £2,000 for NWCR. The Students raised the money by doing a charity skydive, they hosted a film night, cake sales, and lots more!

This has provided a fantastic opportunity for our students to learn first-hand about the science industry and the newest technologies available in the field. Fundraising Manager for North West Cancer Research Bobby Magee said: “NWCR and Southport College have a very strong relationship and working together helps raise awareness for the charity and helps the students to learn more about how our research is done and what a difference their fundraising makes for the charity.”

We work with Cumbria University and Merseyside Constabulary to ensure our forensic programme is realistic, robust and up-to-date.
The sports and public services team have strong links with local sports-related organisations such as Everton FC, Southport FC and North West Soccer Schools.

Why Southport College?
- Southport College students have access to a range of facilities including sports hall, fitness suite and dance studio.
- All of our tutors have lots of industry experience gained from careers in sport and gymnastic coaching and outdoor activities and the Armed Forces, the Royal Marines and the police force.
- Students run regular leadership activities including coaching sessions for school children.
- Students also have the opportunity to join College teams such as football, rugby, netball and volleyball.
- Regular trips and activities including camping, archery, high rope activities and visits to local courts.

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COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE

**SPORT LEVEL 1 (AMBITION)**
- One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade 2 (with at least one grade 3) or completion of Aspire at Entry Level 2 and maths and English GCSE or equivalent at grade 3.
- *Satisfactory DBS

**SPORTS ACTIVITY LEADERSHIP LEVEL 2**
- One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade D or grade 3 (with at least one grade 4) including English and maths at grade D or Level 3 Diploma in a related subject and Level 2 Functional Skills in maths and English.
- *Satisfactory DBS

**SPORT LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS (UP TO 168 UCAS POINTS)**
- Two years
- Minimum of five GCSEs at grade A*-C (9-4) including maths and/or English at pass/merit in a related Level 2 Extended Certificate and maths and/or English at Level 2.
- *Satisfactory DBS

Applicants will need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course. *Courses that require an element of working with children or vulnerable adults require students to undertake a compulsory Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) check.

What to expect on the course
- Employment or university

Success starts in Southport

The sports and public services team have strong links with local sports-related organisations such as Everton FC, Southport FC and North West Soccer Schools.

CHELSEA EDGAR

COURSE STUDIED: SPORT LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

PREVIOUS SCHOOL: ST BEDE’S CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

I chose to come to Southport College as I had heard lots of good things about the College from previous students. The College offers a lot of support with course work, university applications and any other help you need outside the classroom. The practical sessions and trips on the course are really fun! I have built my confidence from doing this course and have taken part in the College girls’ football team too.
A career in travel and tourism can have you travelling all over the globe and the industry is forecast to keep on growing. The tourism sector is currently worth £115billion to the UK economy and supports 2.6 million jobs. There are a great many travel and tourism roles to choose from and our courses are designed to help you develop the skills such as communication, customer service and team working that are greatly valued by employers in the sector. Our Travel & Tourism courses are vocational so there is lots of practical work and hands-on experiences and you will be learning all the skills you need to prepare you for your ideal job or further study at university.

Why Southport College?
- You will complete work placements during your course within the travel industry.
- Our tutors have experience in the industry including business travel, cabin crew, event management, children’s holiday camps and retail travel.
- We have strong links with local businesses such as Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Thomas Cook, Formby Golf Club, EasyJet, Liverpool John Lennon Airport, Ramada Plaza Hotel and STA travel.
- Students are also given the opportunity to go on trips to venues such as the World Travel Market Liverpool John Lennon Airport and Cabin Crew training.

What will I study?
- Worldwide and European holiday destinations
- Customer service
- Airports, airline and travel agencies
- UK travel and tourism sector
- The role of an overseas resort representative
- Long-haul destinations
- Retail and business travel operations
- Marketing for travel and tourism organisations

Careers after the course
- Cabin Crew: £12,000 - £25,000
- Events Management: £21,000 - £40,000
- Hotel Manager: £19,000 - £35,000

COURSE STUDIED: TRAVEL & TOURISM LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
PREVIOUS SCHOOL: GREENBANK HIGH SCHOOL

The Travel & Tourism course is so much more than just learning about being a Cabin crew member; you also learn about marketing, businesses, customer service and working within a travel agent. The teachers are great and they always support you with your assignments. I would say to anyone wanting to come onto this course to just be yourself and have a good time. I received a bursary which helped to pay for the trips that we went on throughout the year. Southport College is a great place to study!

ELIZABETH BROADHURST
SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE

Visits to local hotels including Scarisbrick, Rosedale, and Talbot in Southport and the Crowne Plaza and Atlantic Tower Hotel in Liverpool are regularly arranged. There are also trips to Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Premier Bowl and Formby Pinewoods.

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SOUTHPORT COLLEGE: STUDENT PROFILE

Visits to local hotels including Scarisbrick, Rosedale, and Talbot in Southport and the Crowne Plaza and Atlantic Tower Hotel in Liverpool are regularly arranged. There are also trips to Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Premier Bowl and Formby Pinewoods.
Motor Vehicle Engineers and Technicians work on the maintenance and repair of all aspects of motor vehicles. They perform preventative and restorative work on systems relating to the engine, transmission, electrical, braking, steering and suspension. They also carry out routine servicing, inspections, and when qualified, the annual MOT testing of vehicles, advising customers on their condition, any faults found and repair options.

The government is investing £50 million over the next three years into the UK vehicle manufacturing industry to support manufacturers and improve productivity. If more cars are being produced in the UK, then more motor vehicle engineers will be required to maintain and repair them.

**Why Southport College?**
- MOT stations and tyre fitting bays.
- Students have the opportunity to work on up to 50 vehicles with the workshops.
- Our workshops are filled with industry standard equipment preparing students for real work environments.
- Our tutors are all industry experienced having worked in the motor vehicle trade for a number of years.
- Students have access to the Autodata database.

**COURSE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AFTER THE COURSE**

**VEHICLE MAINTENANCE LEVEL 1**
- One year
- Minimum three GCSEs at grade E (3) and English and maths at grade 2 or equivalent.

**LEVEL 2 VEHICLE MAINTENANCE**
- Full Level 1 Diploma in Vehicle Maintenance and maths and English at grade 3.
- Level 3 course in Vehicle Maintenance or Apprenticeship
- Employment or university

**VEHICLE MAINTENANCE LEVEL 3 EQUIVALENT TO A LEVELS**
- One year
- Pass at Level 2 or equivalent and minimum grade 4 in maths and/or English or equivalent

Applicants will need to provide a reference and be interviewed for their chosen course.

**Careers after the course**

- Automotive Engineer: £20,000 - £50,000
- Breakdown Engineer: £13,000 - £30,000
- Vehicle Mechanic: £19,000 - £32,500
- Car Sales Executive: £15,000 - £35,000
- Parts and Vehicle Service Reception: £16,000 - £20,000

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

**ALEX BUTCHER**
**COURSE STUDIED: MOTOR VEHICLE LEVEL 2**
**PREVIOUS SCHOOL: CHRIST THE KING HIGH SCHOOL**

When I looked at colleges I found that Southport College had the best course and facilities. I have enjoyed learning about cars and gaining experience working in a garage environment. I would recommend my course because the teachers are very knowledgeable, it is very realistic to the industry and gives you an insight into working life. In the future I would like to open my own motor vehicle business and this course gives me a good foundation to do this.
GETTING IT RIGHT

At Southport College we want to make sure we are getting things right, so each year we ask the parents/guardians of our students to tell us what they think. Here’s what some of the parents said about us:

Compared to other colleges we looked at, the facilities at Southport were the best. Staff and students were very welcoming; the staff really encourage and support the students and lots of information is available on career options. (Childcare)

Our son is very happy at Southport College. The engineering course tutors are very encouraging and their teaching standard excellent. (Engineering)

My daughter has never been happier than she is at Southport College. She loves all her tutors and as parents we have been very well informed and kept up to date with everything. (Games Design)

We are really pleased with our daughter’s progress at Southport. The facilities and staff are fantastic! The projects she has done so far have been challenging and engaging. She had a pretty rubbish time at high school and it’s wonderful to see her happy. (Graphic Design)

My daughter has gained considerably in confidence since starting at Southport. He feels that the teachers are supportive and really listen to the students. He also feels that they have offered guidance when necessary. We are also pleased with the way all staff seem so committed and efficient. (Hospitality & Catering)

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My daughter is thriving at Southport College. She has made excellent progress in her course and has matured both socially and academically, I’m very pleased. (Art & Design)

My daughter is very happy being at College and I’m pleased with her progress. I’ve noticed her growing in confidence. (Applied Science)

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**By Train**
Southport station, only a five-minute walk from the College, 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.
- From Tarleton/Hesketh Bank: 2X, 2
- From Ormskirk/Skeelmersdale: 375, 385
- From Maghull: 300
- From Crosby: X2
- From Bootle: 300, X2

**By Car**
Southport is accessible via the A565 from both the north (from Preston) and the south (from Liverpool) and by the A570 (from 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 Bike**
If you wish to use your bicycle to travel to College there are secure bike storage facilities on-site.

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**Student Travel Pass**
All full-time students* who live more than 2 miles from the Southport campus on Mornington Road are eligible to apply for a free annual travel pass. The travel pass provides students with free term-time travel on Merseyrail, Arriva or Stagecoach networks.

*Students aged 16-18 who live more than 3 miles away from the College are eligible for travel passes (or funds where necessary). Students who live 2 to 2.9 miles away from the College and are aged 16-18 are means-tested to assess for eligibility before passes are issued. Students aged 19 and over will be means-tested to assess for eligibility before passes are issued. Additional information is available on the application form or by contacting The Student Information Centre.

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**Further Information**
Check out the public transport options from your area. 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
www.merseyrail.org
www.stagecoachbus.com
www.merseytravel.gov.uk
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See you in September

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Wednesday 1 November 2017
5.00pm-8.00pm
Tuesday 6 March 2018
5.00pm-8.00pm
Monday 4 June 2018
5.00pm-8.00pm

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and diversity. The College is dedicated to
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in which a diversity of backgrounds and
experiences is valued.
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