



FOUNDATION STUDIES

Choices Pathway

LEVEL UP
GET INTO CAREER MODE

Study Programme Overview

This course is ideal for learners who don't yet know which career path they want to follow and need to develop their maths and English skills.

Schools Partnership

We work in partnership with local schools and sixth forms who wish to access the vocational tasters in Foundation Learning.

This course provides students with skills, knowledge, support and experience in a variety of vocational settings. This enables students to make informed career choices, provides transition, guidance and also inspires our students to broaden their horizons.

What You'll Learn

Learners will study maths, English and employability skills and have a weekly tutorial. Learners will also sample three vocational areas from a choice of 13 around College and complete a 30 hour work placement. The following vocational areas are available:

- Art and Media
- Beauty
- Brickwork
- Business and IT
- Catering
- Gardening
- Hairdressing
- Health and Social Care
- Joinery
- Motor Vehicle
- Painting & Decorating
- Performing Arts
- Retail
- Sport

Entry Requirements

There are no formal entry requirements but we will ask learners to complete a Maths and English assessment before joining the course so that we can assess the learning level in these subjects. Learners need to be aged 16 to 18 years old.

Qualification

You will work towards achieving the following qualifications:

- Functional Skills Maths
- Functional Skills English
- GCSE resits in Maths and English if appropriate

How will I be Assessed?

Assessment is on-going throughout the course and learners will receive prompt detailed feedback from tutors on work completed. Learners will work towards end of year exams in maths and English.

Supporting Your Learning and Wellbeing

We have a range of dedicated support and wellbeing services including **FREE** travel; **FREE** breakfast; dedicated Learning Development Mentors; impartial advice and guidance; dedicated one-to-one support for learners with additional needs; and support with the cost of College, plus much more.

Future Opportunities

On completion of this course learners can progress to a mainstream course within the College or a pathway course within Pathways to Progression.

Enrichment

Sitting a job interview, writing a personal statement, applying for university - taking part in our enrichment programme will give you a CV to wow in all of these situations! You'll benefit from:

- Inspiring trips and experiences
- Meetings with industry experts
- Visits to leading companies in your sector

As well as giving you essential professional and technical skills, you'll demonstrate that you're a successful and well-rounded person, helping you to make a lasting impression.

We want you to have fun, so we also have plenty of leisure and sporting activities for you to enjoy, improving your health and wellbeing.

Why Choose Us?

We're an elite College, and part of the University of Bolton Group, offering you a gateway to all of Greater Manchester's vast range of fantastic opportunities for specialist careers, university degree courses and higher Apprenticeships.

We'll reward your achievements with trips to The Anderton Outdoor Activity Centre and the opportunity to apply for the prestigious Duke of Edinburgh Award.

Our £75 million campus offers a newly refurbished fitness suite and sports hall; Apple Mac suites; libraries, a theatre and dance studios; hair and beauty salon; and a restaurant, café and canteen. You'll also enjoy a wide range of events, including showcases, enterprise activities and cultural celebrations.

Open Events

We can't wait to tell you about the amazing opportunities here at Bolton College so this year, we're giving you TWO options to help you discover what we're all about.

You can either visit us in person at one of our Open Events, or if you'd rather learn about us from the comfort of your own home, you can check out our Virtual Open Event instead, or even do both!

Open Event Dates at Deane Road Campus are as follows:

- **Tuesday 19th October 2021, 5pm-8pm**
- **Wednesday 17th November 2021, 5pm-8pm**
- **Thursday 9th December 2021, 5pm-8pm**
- **Tuesday 18th January 2022, 5pm-8pm**

If you'd like to attend one of these events, please register your interest by visiting www.boltoncollege.ac.uk/register-open-events

If you can't visit our Open Event in person, or would rather find out about us online, check out our Virtual Open Event and access over 40 videos at a time convenient to you. Just visit www.boltoncollege.ac.uk/virtual-open

How to Apply?

Find this course on our website via www.boltoncollege.ac.uk/yp-foundation then click the 'Apply' button. You'll be asked to set up a Learner Hub account, so that you can track your application and enrol online in August. If you have any difficulties setting up your Learner Hub account, please email learner.hub@boltoncc.ac.uk

COVID-19

Bolton College may have limitations on the way it works, due to COVID-19.

Although every care has been taken to ensure that the information contained within this document is accurate, due to the changeable nature of the situation and updates to government guidance, there may be changes to this programme and provision.

We will endeavour to keep prospective and current students updated where appropriate and when the information becomes available.

Further Information

Potential students and their parents/ carers are welcome to come and sit in a session to see what we do.



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