



FULLTIME

GUIDE 2023

► **JOIN YOUR LOCAL COLLEGE**

FREE TRAVEL
to College
for all 16-18
year olds

WELCOME

Derwentside College's goal is to provide the very best education and training for our learners. We will do everything possible to help you succeed.

We have fantastic partnerships with hundreds of employers and we'll help you to find high quality employment or support you to progress into further learning or Higher Education.

WHY CHOOSE US?

 <p>Excellent State of the Art Facilities</p>	 <p>Fantastic Destinations - we'll help you find the RIGHT career route for you</p>
 <p>Small and friendly College who puts our learners first</p>	 <p>FREE Travel, meals, equipment and uniform*</p>

ALTERNATIVE TO A-LEVELS

Our full-time courses are a fantastic way of developing vocational experience and a great alternative to studying A Levels, particularly if you enjoy hands-on, practical learning.

Our courses will prepare you for the employment market, including Apprenticeships or for further study at a higher level, including progression to University.

Apply Now

Complete the Enquiry Form online at www.derwentside.ac.uk
or call 01207 585900 or email enquiries@derwentside.ac.uk

*All full-time 16-18 year old learners.

**NEW
SALON
OPENED
2022**



BEAUTYTHERAPY

ABOUT THE COURSE

These courses will prepare you for a career in the popular and highly demanding beauty therapy industry. Our courses will also develop your creativity and skills leading to a wide range of employment opportunities, for example in salons, health spas and on cruise liners.



FREE

You will receive
FREE uniform
for this course



EXPERIENCE

You will work in our
new salon - The Retreat
and experience visiting
top-rated spas
throughout the region.

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Beauty Therapy	✓	✓	✓

WHAT COULD I EARN?

BEAUTY THERAPIST £16,000 - £25,000

As a Beauty Therapist, you will carry out a diverse range of face and body treatments for clients to help them look and feel better.

SPA MANAGER £20,000 - £35,000

The Spa Manager oversees the day-to-day functions of their beauty establishment. Spa Managers will oversee training, hiring, payroll, evaluation, and service standards for spa staff.



CATERING & HOSPITALITY

ABOUT THE COURSE

There are many openings in the Catering and Hospitality industry. With demand for skilled chefs and hospitality specialists, studying catering and hospitality at Derwentside College will enable you to put your skills into practice, leading to many exciting employment opportunities.



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FREE kit and
FREE uniform



EXPERIENCE

Gain experience in our
newly renovated
restaurant
Steel House Bistro

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Catering & Hospitality	✓	✓	✓

WHAT COULD I EARN?

CHEF £15,000 to £30,000

As a Chef, your role will be to prepare, cook and present food in hotels, bars and restaurants. A Chef de Partie will need a number of years experience in a professional kitchen environment.

HEAD CHEF £25,000 - £50,000

You will be responsible for the performance of the kitchen staff and for managing the preparation, cooking and plating of the food.



CONSTRUCTION

ABOUT THE COURSE

If you're thinking about a career within the building industry and are keen to develop your skills in one of the related trades, there has never been a better time. Specialise in your chosen discipline, including Bricklaying, Carpentry and Joinery, Flooring, Groundworks, Highways or Roofing and gain an Apprenticeship in your chosen field.



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FREE PPE
for this course



EXPERIENCE

Gain hands-on
practical experience in
a wide-range of trades

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Construction	✓		
Bricklaying	✓	✓	✓
Carpentry & Joinery	✓	✓	✓

WHAT COULD I EARN?

CARPENTER OR JOINER £17,000 - £40,000

As a Carpenter or Joiner, you will make and install wooden fixtures and fittings. You may work in areas such as fitting out shops and bars, building sets for film or TV and on general construction sites.

BRICKLAYER £17,000 - £42,000

As a Bricklayer, you will build and repair walls inside and outside of properties as well as working on other kinds of brickwork, such as tunnel walls and chimney stacks.



DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

ABOUT THE COURSE

The North East has the fastest growing Tech Industry outside of London. There are over 35,000 Digital Tech jobs and the sector has grown by 45% in the last 5 years. If you want to explore emerging technologies, develop software and web applications or investigate cybersecurity then these courses are for you.



FREE

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Full time learners



EXPERIENCE

Take part in national
competitions and
enjoy technology
focused trips

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

	Level 2	Level 3
Digital Technology	✓	✓

WHAT COULD I EARN?

FORENSIC COMPUTER ANALYST £25,000 - £60,000

As a Forensic Computer Analyst, you will investigate computer-based crime, often called cyber crime.

SOFTWARE DEVELOPER £24,000 - £70,000

As a Software Developer, you will design, build and test computer programmes.

**BRAND
NEW
T-LEVEL
FOR 2023**



EDUCATION & CHILDCARE

Technical Qualification in Education and Childcare

What are T-Levels?

T-levels are new, government-backed, career focused qualifications for learners aged 16-19.

How long do they last?

T-Levels (like A-levels) take place over 2 years.

What level are they?

They are Level 3 courses which follow on from your GCSEs. One T-Level is equivalent to 3 A-levels.

How will my time be split?

You'll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and 20% on placement with one of our highly rated employers.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed in a range of ways, including, written examination, employer set project, group work, observation, activity planners and professional discussions.

Choose one specialism:

- Early Years Educator
- Assisting Teaching

What qualification will I gain?

You will gain a nationally recognised certificate showing your overall grade of pass, merit, distinction or distinction*.

What can I progress on to?

You can choose to move onto a:

- Skilled occupation
- Higher or Degree level apprenticeship
- Higher Education at University

KEY BENEFITS...

T-levels are Career Focused Enabling you to:

- Gain industry experience
- Get a nationally recognised qualification
- Earn UCAS points
- Get real knowledge of your chosen career
- Build vital skills, such as teamwork and communication for your future career

We also offer a Level 2 qualification in Education and Childcare from which you can progress to the T-Level



ENGINEERING

ABOUT THE COURSE

Studying Engineering can lead to a variety of exciting careers, with both local and national organisations. Studying with Derwentside College will ensure that you train in excellent workshop facilities, with the most up-to-date equipment enabling you to specialise in your chosen discipline.



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FREE PPE
for this course



EXPERIENCE

Specialise in your chosen
vocational area in the
College's extensive
workshops

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Engineering		✓	✓
Electrical Installation	✓	✓	✓

WHAT COULD I EARN?

MECHANICAL ENGINEER £22,000 - £55,000

As a Mechanical Engineer, you will work in a variety of industries and on different projects, ranging from the installation of off-shore wind turbines through to designing and testing on a wide range of projects.

ELECTRICAL ENGINEER £20,000 - £60,000

As an Electrical Engineer, you will design, build and maintain electrical control systems, machinery and equipment.

**NEW
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HAIRDRESSING

ABOUT THE COURSE

If you are looking for a rewarding career, have an artistic flair and want to be part of a creative industry, then we will set you up to thrive in hairdressing. With the sector set to grow in future years, there has never been a better time to come and develop your skills.



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WHAT CAN I STUDY?

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Hairdressing	✓	✓	✓
Barbering		✓	

WHAT COULD I EARN?

HAIRDRESSER £14,000 TO £30,000

A Hairdresser will cut, colour and shape a client's hair to create the look they want. You could work in a salon, on a cruise liner, in a hotel chain or be self-employed.

SALON MANAGER £20,000 - £35,000

As a Salon Manager, you will manage the salon team ensuring the salon is operated professionally to the highest standards and that all aspects of the business are kept up-to-date.



HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

ABOUT THE COURSE

During your studies you will gain a broad understanding of numerous health and social care issues, such as promoting health and well-being and physical aspects of health. You will also be given the opportunity to work in a variety of care settings, gaining vital practical experience.



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Full time learners



EXPERIENCE

Gain work experience in
a variety of care settings

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Health & Social Care	✓	✓	✓

WHAT COULD I EARN?

HEALTHCARE ASSISTANT £20,000 - £26,000

As a Healthcare Assistant, you will look after patients in hospitals or sometimes at a patient's home.

MENTAL HEALTH NURSE £27,000 - £54,000

As an Mental Health Nurse, you will work in hospitals and the community to support people with mental health issues.



VOCATIONAL STUDIES

ABOUT THE COURSE

Some learners may not be ready for a full time study programme as a result of a lack of confidence and therefore require additional learning support.

The Vocational Studies programme is designed to help learners with their own personal and social development to enable them to prepare for further study and employment.



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EXPERIENCE

Participate in a wide
range of enrichment
activities and taster
sessions

There are no formal qualifications required to gain entry onto this course, as an interview and liaising with your current educational provider will assess suitability.

Learners will achieve an Entry Level Certificate in Personal and Social Development.

WHAT COULD I DO AFTER THIS COURSE?

You can progress to the Ace Programme or a Level 1 Study Programme such as:

Beauty • Catering • Construction • Electrical Installation • Hairdressing



THE ACE PROGRAMME

ABOUT THE COURSE

This course is aimed at learners who have an idea of a vocational career path they would like to go into but still lack confidence and may not have achieved high enough grades at school.

Learners will attend weekly sessions in their chosen vocational area to gain the skills and knowledge of working and training in the relevant subject.



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EXPERIENCE

Participate in a wide
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sessions

Vocational areas include:

Beauty • Care • Catering • Childcare • Construction • Engineering • Hairdressing • IT

Learners will also attend weekly maths and English sessions to GCSE or Functional skill level.

Learners will achieve an Entry Level Certificate in Personal and Social Development.

WHAT COULD I DO AFTER THIS COURSE?

This course will open pathways to higher level courses within the College, either full-time or in preparation for an apprenticeship.

APPRENTICESHIPS @Derwentside College

EARN WHILE YOU LEARN...

Apprenticeships allow you to work, earn and gain a qualification to help you in your career. Apprenticeships are available at different levels, so there's something to suit everyone.

We offer Apprenticeships in the following areas:

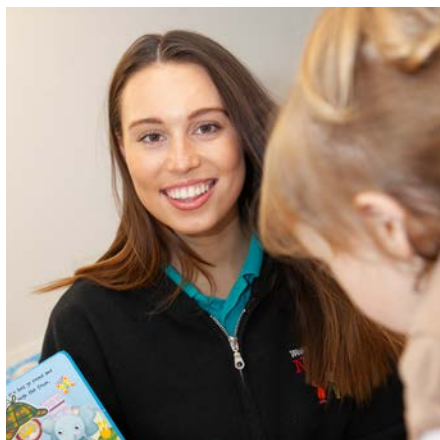
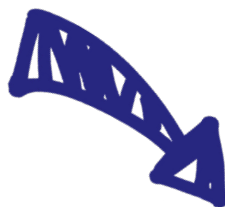
Bricklaying
Business Administration
Carpentry and Joinery
Childcare
Construction
Customer Service
Digital
Electrical Installation
Engineering
Floorlayer
Hairdressing
Health & Social Care
Healthcare Support Services
Highways Maintenance
Information Technology
Manufacturing
Roofing
Teaching Assistant



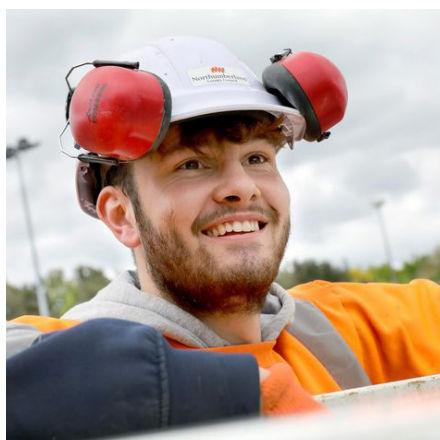
EARN WHILST YOU LEARN

Find out more by visiting
www.derwentside.ac.uk/apprenticeships-vacancies
or email apprenticeships@derwentside.ac.uk

OFSTED RATED GOOD IN ALL AREAS



“ Leaders work well with a range of local, regional and national employers to meet their skills needs. They support employers well to ensure that people gain the skills and behaviours they need to be successful in life and to gain and sustain employment. ”



“ Learners and apprentices demonstrate positive attitudes to learning. They show mutual respect, cooperate effectively and are keen to learn. ”

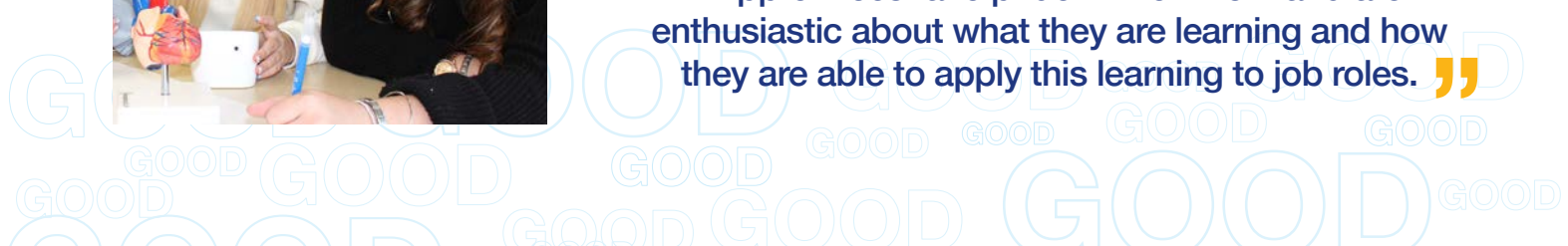
“ Learners and apprentices benefit from participating in a range of skills competitions and trips, which contribute positively to their personal development. ”

“ Learners with additional needs are identified swiftly and appropriate support is put in place to meet their needs. ”



“ Learning support assistants work effectively in the classrooms and workshops to create a supportive environment. ”

“ Apprentices take pride in their work and are enthusiastic about what they are learning and how they are able to apply this learning to job roles. ”



NEW HAIR & BEAUTY SALON NOW OPEN

THE RETREAT
HAIR & BEAUTY

Following a significant investment and refurbishment, our amazing new salon **THE RETREAT** will provide **Hairdressing and Beauty Students** with access to the latest state of the art facilities.

“Leaders have invested significantly in the College’s resources to enhance learners’ experience and ensure that learners have access to the most current resources. These include industry standard resources that replicate those in professional working environments.”

We are an Ofsted rated **GOOD** College



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

All full-time 16-18 year old learners will receive:

FREE travel

FREE meals (for eligible learners)

FREE specialist equipment

FREE uniform

FREE childcare

and you could be entitled to a termly bursary too!

Our
Wellbeing
Practitioners
will support you
every step of the
way whilst at
College

NEW T-LEVEL COURSES FOR 2023/2024

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(See page 7 for more information)

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In 2024 we will also be offering T-levels in...

Digital Production, Design and Development

Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control

Health Care



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