



# YOUR CHOICES 2026/27

16-19+ Course Guide



Find the perfect course for you

#### Principal's Welcome



Hello and welcome to City College Peterborough.

We're proud to be a place where young people can grow, learn, and feel like they belong. No matter where you're starting from, we'll meet you there – with support, encouragement, and the belief that you've got something special to offer.

This is more than just a college. It's a place to figure out your future, build confidence, and gain the skills you'll need for your next steps – whether that's work, further

training and education or simply finding your way.

You'll be treated with respect, taught by people who genuinely care, and supported to thrive, not just survive.

We're inclusive, people-focused, and here to help you get where you want to go. Come and be part of something that's all about you. Working together and learning together!

**Tasha Dalton, BEM**Principal, City College Peterborough

#### **How to Contact Us**

Contact our Information, Advice and Guidance trained Recruitment Advisors to help you choose the right course that suits you.

The recruitment team will be more than happy to help.

You can contact us at

sprecruitment@citycollegepeterborough.ac.uk

or **01733 761361** 

www.citycollegepeterborough.ac.uk

Location maps can be found on the inside back cover of this guide.

#### Why Should You Study With Us?

### Amazing Facilities and Equipment

We have industry standard facilities including a motor vehicle workshop, a hairdressing salon, purpose-built business enterprise space, catering kitchens, health and wellbeing centre and indoor gym. These are all kitted out with the necessary resources to enable your learning.

#### **Social Environment**

Meet new people and make life-long friends. Take part in college trips and extra-curricular activities.

#### **Central Location**

We have two campuses based in central Peterborough. One in the city centre and the second in Dogsthorpe.

#### A Supportive, Fun, Learning Environment

Learners are treated like adults and your decision making is promoted.

#### **A Better Future**

Our courses are designed to help you achieve nationally recognised qualifications and **GAIN** experience. Whether your destination is the world of work or higher/further education, our courses will ensure you are fully prepared for your future.

Please contact our Recruitment Team on

01733 761361

(option #3) or

sprecruitment@citycollegepeterborough.ac.uk

#### **Open Events**

Come along to meet our tutors and see our facilities. Our open events for 25/26 are:



NOVEMBER 18





You don't have to wait until these dates to take a look at what City College Peterborough has to offer!

Contact our recruitment team to arrange a visit.

### Staying in Education After 16

Young people in England must stay in education until they are 18. This does not mean young people have to stay at school! You can enrol onto any of the following:

- Full-time education (e.g. at a school or college)
- Part-time education or training combined with one of the following:
- Employment or selfemployment for a minimum of 20 hours per week
- Volunteering for a minimum of 20 hours per week.



### **Animal Care & Land-Based Studies**



If you're interested in animals, there are lots of exciting career options like pet retail, pet grooming, veterinary assistant, working at kennels and catteries, and even jobs with the RSPCA or animal shelters. At City College Peterborough, you can explore animal care through Level 1 and Level 2 courses that teach you both practical skills and animal science.

During the course, you'll learn how to handle animals safely, feed them, and provide general care. You'll also study animal welfare and ethics, learning about the best ways to look after animals and protect their well-being. As part of the course, you'll take trips to see British wildlife and explore different habitats.

You'll get hands-on experience working with various animals, including rodents, reptiles, birds,

and invertebrates, in the college's animal unit. This course is a great way to start building skills for a future in animal care!

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of career in working with animals in the land based sector.





The Beauty Therapy course is a great way to start a rewarding career in the beauty industry. It combines practical training with theoretical knowledge, so you'll get hands-on experience while learning the basics. You'll study a variety of treatments, including facials, waxing, massage, and nail care, all while practicing in a real salon environment

Throughout the course, you'll also learn about important areas like client care, health and safety, and the business side of the industry. This helps prepare you for all aspects of a career in beauty therapy.

The course encourages creativity, attention to detail, and strong communication skills – important qualities for working with clients and building a successful career.



If you're passionate about beauty and want to develop your skills in a practical, professional setting, this course is the perfect starting point!

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of a career in the beauty industry.



#### **Business Administration**

Level 1 / Level 2

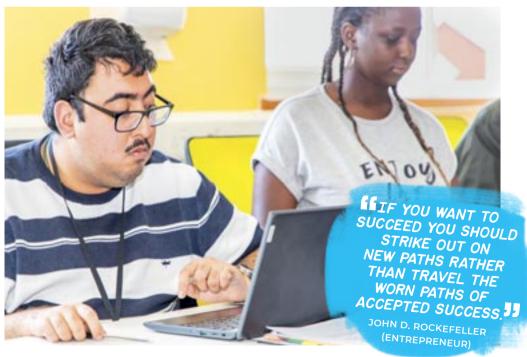
The Business Administration course teaches you important skills that will help you succeed in the world of business. You'll learn how to communicate better, solve problems, manage your time, lead a team, handle projects, and analyse data. These skills are super useful and can open doors to many career opportunities in the future.

Within the course you will learn about administrative services, which help businesses run smoothly; business documents and how to create them professionally; how to communicate effectively in a business setting, how businesses are structured, and how to build strong relationships at work.



Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in reallife settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of a career in business.

By the end of the course, you'll be ready to take on different roles in any business and have the skills you need to succeed. Whether you want to work for a company or start your own, this course is a great way to prepare!





If you're interested in working with children or want to understand how they grow and learn, a childcare course could be a great start! Our introductory qualifications cover key topics like child development, learning through play, and how to keep kids safe and healthy.

A big part of the course involves a work placement, so you'll get hands-on experience in a nursery, preschool, or school. This helps you apply what you learn in class to real-life situations. Completing the course gives you a strong foundation in caring for and educating children, opening up lots of career options.





After finishing a Level 1 childcare course, you can continue your studies with a Level 2 childcare course, or even pursue an apprenticeship or job in early years education. You can also choose other specialized courses to work in schools or childcare centre's. It's a great way to kickstart a rewarding career working with children!





Are you interested in building things and learning about construction? At City College Peterborough, there are courses that can kickstart your career in construction!

You'll get hands-on experience, learning how to safely use tools and understanding how buildings are built. The courses cover different trades like carpentry, plumbing, bricklaying, and electrical work, and teach you

valuable skills that are in demand by employers.

Along with practical tasks, you'll also learn about important topics such as health and safety, teamwork, and project management. The best part is the work experience – you'll have the chance to work with local employers in the construction industry, gaining real-world skills and insights into your future career.



Whether you want to be a builder, plumber, or electrician, these courses are a great way to get started. Get ready to learn, build, and take your first step toward an exciting career in construction!



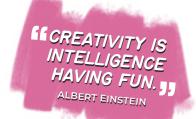
#### **Creative Craft**

### Entry 3 / Level 1 / Level 2 / Level 3

If you love to create and want to bring your ideas to life, this course is perfect for you! You can explore traditional art like painting and drawing, or dive into exciting new possibilities. Whether it's designing with wood, clay, wireframe, or collage, you'll have the chance to create original designs in various materials, including on canvas.



For those interested in digital art, you'll get hands-on experience using the latest technology, such as Adobe Photoshop, a 3D printer, and an engraver. As you progress to Level 3, you'll focus on designs that could even be sold in a commercial setting, giving you real-world opportunities.



For more experienced students, we offer a two-year advanced course that covers digital techniques, including Photoshop, Illustrator, and Blendr 3D software. This course also introduces animation, lighting, and digital colouring techniques, perfect for careers in the gaming industry, animated films, and more. It's a fantastic opportunity to turn your passion for design into a career!

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of a career in the creative industry.

#### **Learner Stories**

#### Megan S - Leaver

If I was at City College Peterborough Study Skills for three years. I did two years on Skills for Independence and one year on Step Up.

When I first started college, I was really nervous because I didn't know how to meet new people and how to talk to people. I needed lots of support at college for my communication, writing and drawing and talking to people.

My favourite things that I did at college were cooking and the college residential. We went to Great Yarmouth in the caravan for five days and it was so much fun! We did karaoke every evening and I got to be away from home and be independent

At college, I also learnt life skills like how to cross the road and how to use the buses because we did lots of trips to learn important skills like this. This was really good for me and helped me with my confidence and to settle down when I am in the community.

College have helped me to understand other people and to make friends. College have also supported me with Play Therapy where I had little chats with the therapist and she helped me with lots of things like my emotions and controlling myself when get angry or confused. I liked seeing the therapist every week.

I came to City College Peterborough because it was fun and exciting and the staff made me happy to come every day.



When I was at college, I also did some work experience at the college coffee shop. I go there every week even now to work even though I am no longer at college and I help fill the fridge up, restock the food, clean the tables down and spray and wipe them over. I am doing really well at the coffee shop and feel so happy and proud of myself; this is something that I never thought I would be able to do.

College also helped me to start at a day centre that is part of the college and I went here whilst I was still at college. At college and the day centre, I am like a little helper and I help my friends with their tasks and their work, cleaning the classrooms and making hot drinks for all my friends and the staff. When I am older I would like to work in a fire station and be a fire lady but if I cant do this, I want to help more in the coffeeshop like doing the pot wash and helping with some cooking.

#### Hannah - Childcare

I am currently studying Level 1 Childcare. Since joining in September, I have built up my confidence and I have developed my knowledge about children and Early Years. Our group have also done things for different children's charities. I have already completed a work placement in a reception class at a school. This experience was great for getting me involved in the job role I want to do in the future, and try out things I have learned at college.



The Customer Service course is perfect for anyone who wants to learn how to work with people and develop important skills for a variety of jobs. During the course, you'll take part in fun activities like role-playing and practical exercises, where you'll build communication, problem-solving, and teamwork skills. You'll also learn how to



understand customers' needs, deal with tricky situations, and always stay professional.

This course is a great foundation for iobs in customer service, whether it's in a shop, a call centre, or even in a restaurant. After finishing the Level 1 course, you can continue your studies with a Level 2 course, do an apprenticeship, or even start working straight away in a customer service role. There are lots of options, including special courses or a business administration course, to help you grow in this career path. If you enjoy helping people, this course could be a great way to start your future!

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of a career.



### ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Languages

#### **Entry Level 1 to Level 2**

This ESOL course is designed to help you improve your English skills in speaking, listening, reading, and writing. You will work on your vocabulary, grammar, and pronunciation to help you use English in everyday situations. The course prepares you for an end-of-year exam, and you will also take part in different activities to practice English with classmates. You'll discuss interesting topics like hobbies, future plans, and cultures in England.

In addition to your ESOL qualification, you will have the

chance to earn a qualification around "Living and Working in the UK" This will help you understand UK geography, local communities, and the education system.

You will also work on improving your employability skills, such as teamwork and communication, and get support to create your own CV. You may even have the chance to take part in a work placement to gain real-life experience in the UK.

Plus, you'll attend maths classes to build your skills for a Functional Skills qualification!





Are you creative and eager to learn new skills? A career in hairdressing might be just what you're looking for!

Our hairdressing course combines practical hands-on training with theoretical knowledge, helping you build the skills needed for a successful career. Along with mastering hairdressing techniques, you'll also develop essential personal skills like communication and confidence, which are key in any workplace.

You'll learn a variety of techniques, from cutting and styling to colouring and treatments, preparing you for work in professional salons. The course also focuses on building your ability to work with employers in the industry, helping you grow both personally and professionally.

After completing the course, you can pursue jobs like a Hairdressing Salon Assistant or Beauty Salon Assistant. For those who want to continue their career, there are opportunities to specialize in areas such as barbering or hair colouring. Hairdressing is an exciting career for anyone who loves creativity and helping others feel their best!

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of a career in the hair and beauty industry.





If you're interested in a career where you help and care for others, then a course in health or social care could be perfect for you. These courses teach you essential skills and knowledge needed to work in care settings, from working with people in need to understanding the challenges faced by those in the health and social care sector. You will study important topics like



Equality and Diversity, Safeguarding, Communication, Infection Prevention, and much more. These subjects will help you understand what it takes to work in care, the organizations that provide these services, and the key issues in the field.

Work experience is a big part of the course, giving you the chance to gain real-life experience in a health or social care setting. This hands-on learning will help you apply what you've learned in the classroom and prepare you for a career in care.

The course gives you both the knowledge and practical experience needed to pursue a career in health and social care. With opportunities to progress to higher levels of study, it's a great starting point for anyone passionate about making a positive difference in people's lives!

### Hospitality & Catering Level 1 / Level 2



If you love cooking and want to turn that passion into a career, a hospitality and caterings course could be the perfect start! In this course, you'll learn how to prepare, cook, and present food to a high standard, using industry-level kitchen equipment. Plus, you'll get to work in a kitchen that mirrors a real restaurant, producing dishes for events and even creating new recipes.

As you develop your skills, you'll learn about health and safety, food safety, and how to cook and serve dishes within set timeframes. The course also helps you build communication, creativity, and teamwork skills that are important for working in a kitchen.

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of career in hospitality and catering.

This course is a great mix of practical experience and classroom learning, preparing you for a career in the exciting world of hospitality and catering. So, if you're ready to cook up your future, this could be your first step!







In an ICT (Information and Communication Technology) course, you'll learn the essential skills needed to succeed in the tech world. These skills will help you communicate better, solve problems, manage your time, and even lead projects. As technology is everywhere, these abilities are super valuable for future careers in IT.

During the course you will learn the basics of digital skills, computer programming, cyber security, and website design and development. The qualification gives you the knowledge and skills to take on different IT roles. Whether you want to be a programmer, cybersecurity expert, or web designer, this course will prepare you for exciting opportunities in the tech world!

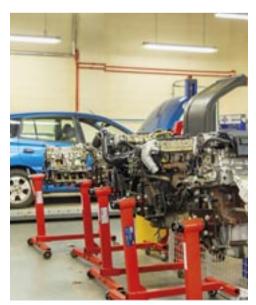
Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in reallife settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of a career in IT.





If you're interested in becoming a car mechanic, this course is the perfect starting point for your career. It combines classroom learning with hands-on practical tasks in a workshop setting. You'll cover key areas like health and safety, vehicle inspections, wheels and tyres, exhaust systems, and engine lubrication. You'll also learn about petrol and diesel fuel systems, as well as how to work effectively in a team.

The course builds on the skills you learn, diving deeper into areas like battery and lighting systems, braking systems, steering and suspension, and diesel engine systems. You'll also gain knowledge of customer care, valeting procedures, and maintaining high standards of work.





Work experience is an important part of the course, giving you the opportunity to apply what you've learned in a real-world automotive setting. This hands-on experience will help you build your skills and prepare you for a successful career in the automotive industry.





#### **Occupational Studies**

Entry 2 / Entry 3 / Level 1

The Occupational Studies course is perfect for students who want to build skills and confidence for their next steps in education or their career. It introduces you to different vocational paths through hands-on experience and practical coursework.

The course is made up of engaging units, each giving you a taste of various career options available at the college. You'll complete coursework that contributes to a recognised qualification, giving you a solid foundation for future success.

You'll also develop important life skills like cooking, travel training,





and teamwork. Group work experience within the community helps you build confidence and gives you real-world experience working with others.

Whether you're exploring new interests or getting ready for your next big step, Occupational Studies is a great way to gain the tools and knowledge you need to reach your goals and succeed in the future.

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of your future career.



#### **Learner Stories**

#### **Ahmed – ESOL**

The college and the ESOL class were a tremendous help for me this year. It was a place where I could learn English better whilst also studying maths. The teachers were kind and helped me with my English and maths. Thanks to John Mansfield Campus and teachers who taught me.

I attended ESOL classes that improved my reading, writing, and speaking skills and enhanced my ability to communicate. Talking with other students and doing group work helped me to practice my English more. I now feel more confident in my language skills and I am ready for future jobs.

College also taught me both English and the important knowledge about future skills needed in my field of being a pilot.

My best experience in ESOL was the friendships I made, and the best part of all was that we were like a family in class, and we helped each other. We learnt English and felt welcome and safe. We studied together, practiced speaking, and shared our diverse cultures. This made learning fun and easier. I will always remember the good times and the support from my ESOL class and friends. I would like to express my special thanks to my ESOL teacher who worked extremely hard during this year and taught us many things.

I recommend this beautiful experience to all those who are going to John Mansfield Campus in the future because they will be attending one of the best colleges with great teachers and teaching assistants as well as supportive peers.

### Oliver – Hospitality and Catering

I am at present completing my third year of the Hospitality and Catering course.

I was first introduced to City College Peterborough through a school's programme and completed my entry level catering qualification. I enjoyed the course so much that I decided that I would like to carry on and train as a chef

I thoroughly enjoyed my first year and learnt new skills which helped me to build my confidence and achieve my level I qualification.

I am now studying for my level 2 qualification, and this is giving me the confidence to learn new skills and undertake work experience. The best thing is that I love to meet and chat to customers and City College Peterborough has helped build my confidence in doing this.

I fully recommend joining City College Peterborough as the tutors are friendly and take time out to help me.

I have encountered many hurdles in my life, and City College Peterborough are helping me to complete my course to the highest level and eventually go out into employment and fulfil my dream of becoming a chef.

#### G - Step Up

When I first joined Step Up I felt very nervous but now I am not worried at all. In Step Up we do lots of fun activities and I have learned lots. I can make my own hot drinks and cook.

Before I started college I had never been on a bus. I love going on the bus for trips out for the day. We get to do lots of fun activities and arts and crafts. We also do Forest School and gardening. All the staff are nice, they are really friendly and helpful.

### Support. Educate. Autism (SEA for short)

The S.E.A. course is designed for learners on the autistic spectrum, focusing on building confidence, social skills, communication, and life skills. The course is all about empowering you to follow your own journey and become more independent.

Throughout the course, you'll gain skills that help you feel more confident and capable of connecting with others in your community. S.E.A. includes fun and educational day trips that help you understand your local area better, including using public transport and improving your social skills.

English and Maths are also part of the course, so you can improve your basic literacy and numeracy skills. S.E.A. also helps prepare you for adulthood by focusing on tailored transitions that support



your next steps, whether that's further learning, employment, or volunteering.

Our dedicated S.E.A. staff are here to guide you every step of the way. If you're ready for a year full of fun and new challenges, come join us and take the next step in your journey!





### Skills for Independence (SFI)

SFI is a course designed for young adults with severe and complex needs, focusing on developing independence, confidence, and communication skills in a fun and supportive environment. The course is tailored to meet individual needs, and you'll learn important life skills such as cooking, cleaning, washing, ironing, and more!



In addition to these practical skills, you'll have the opportunity to participate in exciting community trips and activities, including sailing, boccia, animal care, hand cycling, and other fun experiences. Maths and English are integrated into all lessons, and if suitable, you may also take part in group or individual work experience to gain real-world experience.



Our college staff are here to provide support, including help finding day opportunities outside of college. We also have a fully accessible building with sensory rooms and wellbeing services to support your needs. SFI is all about helping you develop the skills you need for your future. We're excited to be part of your next adventure!





### **Sport, Fitness and Active Leisure**

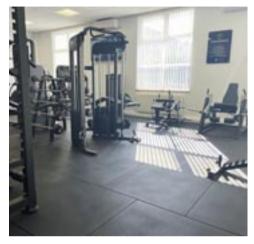
Level 1 / Level 2



Do you dream of a career in sports and leisure but aren't sure where to start? This course is the perfect

beginning for your journey into this exciting and varied industry. It will help you develop key skills and basic knowledge, preparing you for a successful career while giving you a real understanding of what it's like to work in the field.

The course covers a range of topics, from understanding the different jobs in sports and active leisure to learning how the body works. You'll also plan your own fitness programme and learn about healthy eating.



With access to our state-of-the-art gym, fully qualified instructors, and expert tutors, you'll have the perfect environment to learn and grow. Whether you want to jump into an entry-level job or continue studying for higher qualifications, this course will give you the foundation you need.

You'll explore topics like fitness, sports events, and work placements to prepare for a successful career in sports and leisure!

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance your skills and prepare you for the challenges of your future career in the sport and leisure sector.



#### Step Up

Step Up is a fun and interactive course designed for learners with moderate learning disabilities. It helps you develop important skills like independence, social skills, confidence, and everyday life skills, while offering a pathway into further learning, volunteering, and day opportunities.

The course covers practical topics like arts and crafts, cooking, first aid, travel training, personal safety, washing, ironing, and cleaning. You'll also have the chance to take part in exciting community activities like boccia, forest school, hand cycling, and volunteering.

In addition to these activities, you'll have stand-alone maths and English lessons, plus tutorials to support your learning. College staff are there to help find day



opportunities and support you on non-college days as well.

Our fully accessible building, including a flat, garden, and sensory room, ensures you have the right support and environment to thrive. If you're looking for a fun way to learn new skills, Step Up is the course for you!







#### **Supported Interns**



A Supported Internship is a great opportunity for young people aged 16 to 24 with an EHCP who are looking to find a job. What makes this course unique is that most of your learning happens at work, giving you real, hands-on experience in a job. The work placement last between 6 to 9 months, providing you with valuable experience and a strong reference to help you secure paid employment in the future.



In the classroom, you'll focus on important skills like writing CVs, creating cover letters, practicing for interviews, team-building, and going on site visits to explore different industries.

This course is an amazing way to gain the skills and confidence needed to start your career.
Apply today and take the first step towards an exciting future in the workforce!



### Uniformed Services Level 1 / Level 2



The Uniformed Services course provides students with a strong foundation for a career in the armed forces, emergency services, and other public service roles. This course combines practical training, teamwork exercises, and academic studies to develop important skills like discipline, leadership, and communication. These skills are crucial for success in the demanding world of uniformed services.

Along with gaining knowledge about the various roles within the uniformed services, students will also improve their physical fitness and resilience. The course focuses on teamwork and leadership, providing learners with the tools they need to succeed in these careers.

Work experience is a key part of the course, giving you the chance to apply what you've learned in real-life settings. This hands-on experience in the field will enhance

your skills and prepare you for the challenges of a uniformed services career.

Students who complete the course can pursue further opportunities in areas like outdoor activity leadership, fitness instructing, security services, and more. Whether you dream of joining the police, fire service, or armed forces, this course will give you the skills and insight to start your career in public service.



### English Functional Skills / GCSE

Functional Skills English helps you build essential skills for success in both work and life. The course will boost your confidence and teach you how to apply your English skills in different situations. It's available across five levels (Entry 1 to Level 2), so no matter where you're starting, we can find the right level for you to grow.

If you got a grade 3 in GCSE English at school, don't worry! You'll be placed in a GCSE English class to help you improve your grade to at least a grade 4. This is important because a grade 4 is often the minimum needed for many jobs and further education options. Upgrading your grade opens up lots of opportunities, so stay focused and give it your best shot. You've got this!

In these classes, you'll focus on strengthening your reading, writing, and speaking skills. You'll get the chance to work on areas that might have been tricky before, and your teacher will support you every step of the way. By the end of the course, you'll be more confident and ready to show what you can do!

You'll study English alongside your main vocational course until you reach a Level 2 pass / GCSE grade 4. At City College Peterborough, English classes are supportive and tailored to help you succeed. Choose a vocational course you love, and we'll help you get there!









Functional Skills Maths helps you build essential skills for both work and life. The course will boost your confidence and teach you how to apply your maths knowledge in real-world situations. It's available across five levels (Entry 1 to Level 2), so no matter where you're starting, we can find the right level for you to grow.

If you got a grade 3 in GCSE Maths at school, don't worry! You'll be placed in a GCSE Maths class to help you improve your grade to at least a grade 4. This is important because a grade 4 is often the minimum needed for many jobs and further education options. Upgrading your grade opens up lots of opportunities, so stay focused and give it your best shot. You've got this!

In these classes, you'll focus on strengthening your number skills, problem-solving, and real-life maths applications. You'll work on areas that might have been tricky before, and your teacher will support you every step of the way.

By the end of the course, you'll be more confident and ready to show what you can do!

You'll study maths alongside your main vocational course until you reach a Level 2 pass / GCSE grade 4.

At City College Peterborough, maths classes are supportive and tailored to help you succeed. Choose a vocational course you love, and we'll help you get there!







#### **Study Programmes**

#### What is a Study Programme?

Study programmes are designed to help you study and achieve a vocational qualification, up to Level 2, and a recognised qualification in English and maths. City College

Peterborough offer various practical workbased vocational courses or relevant qualifications to study whilst you decide what career path you would like to follow

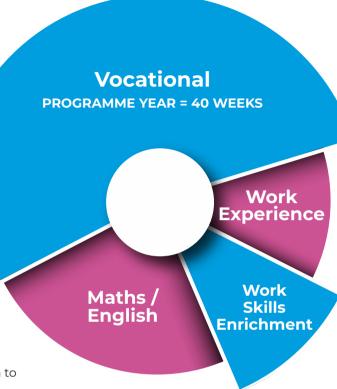
The College will assist you to organise meaningful work experience related to vour chosen vocational area to help you to develop your employability skills and create potential

employment options.

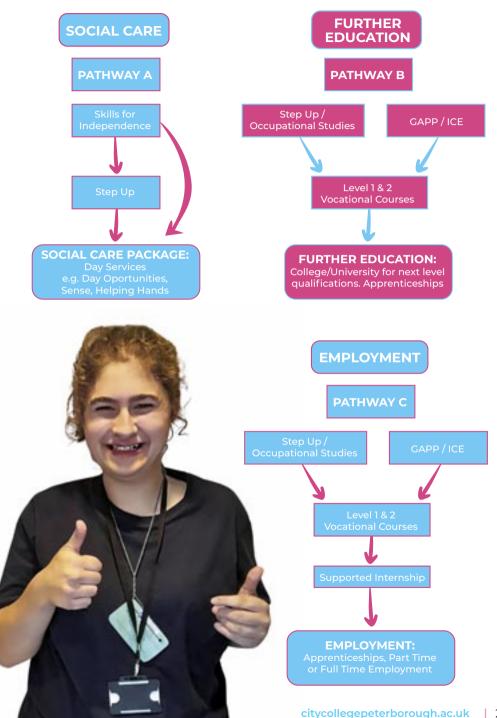
#### Your programme of study will include:

- Achievement of a recognised qualification if appropriate
- Functional Skills English and Maths or GCSE English and Maths where grade D/3 has been achieved
- Work Experience
- Work Skills/Employability





#### **Pathways**



#### **Culinary Creations**

Culinary Creations is a new restaurant, exclusively staffed by our learners.

This innovative initiative is designed to enhance our catering course by providing learners with hands-on experience in a professional dining environment. Under the guidance of our experienced faculty, students will showcase their culinary and hospitality skills, offering guests a unique dining experience that combines creativity and quality.

Culinary Creations will also be offering themed dining experiences, which are a wonderful opportunity to enjoy seasonal menus created and served by our talented students.



Christmas 1st – 18th December 2025

**Valentine's** 9th – 13th February 2026

Mother's Day 2nd – 13th March 2026

Easter 23rd March – 2nd April 2026

Father's Day 15th – 19th June 2026

We also plan to host a range of themed evening events throughout the year.

We encourage all guests to share their feedback to help us continually improve and support our students' development.

We look forward to welcoming you to Culinary Creations, where passion meets plate!









#### **Work Experience**



Work experience at City College Peterborough is a fantastic opportunity for learners to engage with local employers and experience real working conditions. It helps you develop essential employability skills and prepares you for the world of work, especially if you have a learning disability. With full support from our team, work experience breaks down barriers and supports young people in developing the skills needed to thrive in a diverse workforce.

Work experience is a key part of all vocational courses, ensuring that every student gains hands-on experience that's valuable for their future career.





### What is Work Experience?

Learners who achieve this qualification could progress to:

- A partnership between
   City College Peterborough
   and local employers,
   focused on supporting I
   earners with learning
   disabilities.
- A practical pathway that includes building employability skills and exploring workplace opportunities.
- A training programme where both employers and learners are fully supported to ensure a positive experience.
- Provides unpaid trainees with experience in organizations that match their skills and career goals.



Study Programme Work experience is a great way to start building your future and gaining the confidence to succeed in the workplace!

Contact us today to find out more – careers@citycollegepeterborough.ac.uk

#### **Enrichment**

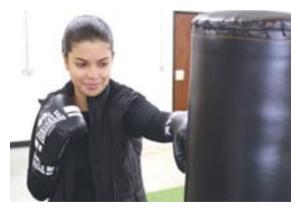
#### **Study Programme**



Enrichment offers learners the chance to explore topics outside of their vocational timetable to help discover new interests and learn new things about themselves.

Enrichment clubs are purely for self-development and fun and we do not offer qualifications alongside them, but they can support learners in expanding social circles and putting life skills into practice outside of the classroom. Enrichment clubs cover a range of different interests and make a perfect supplement for free time in a young person's timetable.







Contact us today to find out more – sprecruitment@citycollegepeterborough.ac.uk

#### **Student Support**

#### **Supporting Learners to Learn**

At City College Peterborough, we are proud of our inclusive, neurodiverse learning environment, where the progress and positive experiences of our learners are at the heart of everything we do. We believe that every learner can grow in independence and develop their learning skills, no matter the barrier.

With our highly experienced and passionate SEN team working across both campuses, we provide innovative, individualised support to ensure every learner reaches their full potential.

Our SEN hub, located at the John Mansfield campus, offers personalised learning plans, opportunities to develop soft skills, and targeted support to prepare for adulthood. This resource centre, staffed by dedicated SEN specialists, provides a welcoming atmosphere where students can catch up on studies, regulate themselves, and seek additional support.

Meanwhile, our complex needs provision is primarily taught at the Jean Hunt building on our Brook Street campus. This building specialises in supporting higher- need learners with life skills, communication, and sensory needs. A standout feature is the multi-sensory room, designed by former students and staff with a nautical theme to create a calming atmosphere that appeals to all learners. The building also includes a garden space for outdoor learning and emotional regulation.

Our SEN team ensures that Education and Health Care Plans are followed, updated, and tailored to reflect the needs of each learner. They focus on developing independence and guiding students through their educational journey while meeting needs both inside and outside the classroom. The team takes pride in their strong professional relationships with learners and parents, ensuring every student benefits from a personalised approach that supports their progression.

Join us at City College Peterborough, where every learner can thrive, grow, and achieve their full potential in a supportive, innovative environment.











#### Wellbeing Support

Here at City College
Peterborough, we have a
dedicated Wellbeing
Team. The staff are here to
ensure that you are given the
support you need in order to
be able to overcome any
barriers that are holding you
back from achieving and
progressing onto your next
steps in education,
employment or training.

The team are dedicated to ensuring your safety and work in close partnership with teachers, parents/carers and local and national agencies such as the Targeted Youth Support Service within the local authority. Together they can assist you with anything from housing and benefits advice to counselling services if needed

The Wellbeing Team can help with:

- Emotional Support (counselling and angel management)
- Mediation with friends
- Referral to external support services.

Our Wellbeing Officers offer help with both your academic choices, funding and money issues and any additional needs you may have. You will be allocated a Wellbeing Officer who will also liaise with relevant professionals to assist in your transition to independence. We offer support in various aspects of daily life, such as using public transport, supporting a healthy lifestyle, managing money and improving interpersonal skills.

#### **Student Support**

#### **Equality & Diversity**

The College believes that education is a right for all and will actively work towards offering equality of access and opportunity to all learners.

#### Safeguarding

City College Peterborough are committed to promoting the welfare, safety and protection of all children, vulnerable adults, learners and staff.

#### **Prevent**

Prevent is a government strategy to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorist or extremist causes. If you think someone is being exploited, you can raise your concern with any of the nominated safeguarding contacts that are displayed on a board close to the College's reception or you can speak to your tutor or any person where a Bee Safe symbol is displayed and they will help you.

#### British Values

In the United Kingdom society is held together by Fundamental British Values.

**Democracy** – Your right to vote for policies where your opinion counts.

The Rule of Law – Nobody is above the law which is there to protect you.

**Individual Liberty** – Protection of your rights and the right of others you work with. (You can express yourself without fear).

Respect and Tolerance – Understanding that we all don't share the same beliefs and values.

#### **Tutor Support**

Each tutor is there to support and enhance your development whilst on a programme. They see your advancement as a joint responsibility. Your vocational tutor will be there, along with the Wellbeing Team to guide you through and ensure you are on track to achieve your goals. They will be your first point of contact, to help develop your study skills and build your confidence.



#### **Teaching Assistants**

The Teaching Assistant Team are very friendly, approachable and are there to support you to achieve with young people in order to make a difference.

The Teaching Assistants can:

- support learners in the classroom
- work with learners 1:1 if needed
- work with learners as part of a small group.

Learner support is tailored to meet individual need and teaching assistants ensure tasks are fun and enjoyable.

### What is Preparing for Adulthood?

Preparing for adulthood is the process of getting ready to live independently as an adult. It's all about developing the skills and knowledge you need to handle life outside of school and home. This journey helps you become responsible, confident and capable of making decisions that will shape your future.

The main areas of focus in preparing for adulthood include:

# Community Engagement: Getting involved in your community teaches you the importance of teamwork and helps you build connections with others. Volunteering, joining local groups or participating in events are great ways to start.

# Financial Management: Learning how to manage money is essential. This includes budgeting, saving and making wise spending choices. Understanding how finances work will help you stay in control as an adult.

#### Health and Well-being: Taking care of your body and mind is key. Eating well, exercising and managing stress will keep you healthy and feeling your best.

### Travel Training: Learning how to navigate your city or town, use public transportation and travel safely is an important skill for independence.

#### Independent Living Skills: This involves learning how to do things like cook, clean, manage time and take care of yourself in everyday life.

By focusing on these skills, you'll be ready to transition from school to adult life with confidence. These tools will help you grow as a person, build a successful career, and contribute to your community.











#### **Complex Need Provision**



Within Study Skills, we have a fully accessible complex need provision at our Jean Hunt Building, on our Brook Street Campus. This bespoke building is home to a flat, sensory room and garden complete with trampoline as well as staff that can meet your needs and support you both in and outside the classroom, e.g. with communication needs, personal care, medication, eating and drinking.

Our Jean Hunt provision includes our S.E.A, Skills for Independence and Step Up courses. We also have access to a variety of holistic support including

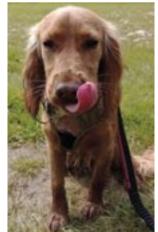
play therapy, talking therapy, Go Chat, enrichment sessions, wellbeing, social care and our very own therapy dog called Thistle who works part time at Jean Hunt.

Our Jean Hunt provision is for learners with complex needs who would like to continue their education, become more independent and develop their life skills in a quiet, calm, patient and supportive environment.

If this sounds like you or someone you know, then get in touch to start planning your next steps!











### 16-19 Guaranteed Bursary Fund\*

16-19 Guaranteed Bursary Fund\* You will be entitled to a weekly payment, based on your attendance if you are aged 16-18 as of 31st August 2026 and you are:

- in care (including unaccompanied asylum-seekers)
- a care leaver
- receiving Universal Credit in your own name
- disabled and receiving
   Personal Independence Payments
   AND Employment Support
   Allowance in your own name



### 16-19 Discretionary Bursary\*

You will be entitled to support towards any course equipment, uniform and travel costs if either you or your parent / guardian are in receipt of one of the following benefits:

- Job Seekers Allowance
- Child tax benefit
- Universal Credit
- Employment Support allowance
- Housing benefit
- Pension credit
- Household income less than £20k

#### Free Meals\*

You will be entitled to free meals at college if you are aged between 16-18 years on 31st August 2026 and meet the criteria below or aged between 16-24 on 31st August 2026, have an EHCP and meet the criteria below and either yourself or parent/guardian receives one of the following:

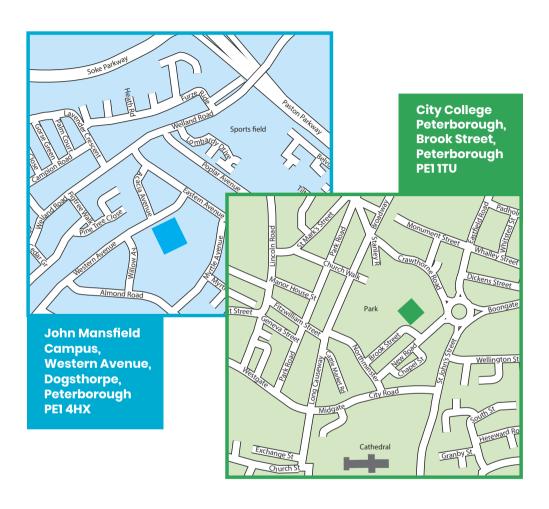
- Job Seekers Allowance
- Employment Support Allowance
- Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Working Tax Credit Run-On (paid for 4 weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided they are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual income of no more than£16,190)
- Universal Credit (during initial roll-out of this benefit)

#### **Funding for Childcare**

If you are a young parent and under the age of 20, the 'Care to Learn' scheme can help cover the costs (up to £160 per week) of your childcare while you are studying. As an educational provider we are ablet to assist you with your application form for 'Care to Learn'. You can get advice on accessing 'Care to Learn' at your initial college interview so be sure to ask the Recruitment Team about the process when you arrive.

visit www.gov.uk/care-to/learn

#### Where to Find Us





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