



**LONG
ROAD**

SIXTH FORM
COLLEGE
CAMBRIDGE

THE RIGHT ROAD FOR YOU





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WELCOME TO LONG ROAD



Thank you to Angela for being our cover student this year! Angela (she/her) joined us from Samuel Ward Academy to study A Level's in DT, Geography and Maths.

"I chose Long Road because of the variety of courses to choose from. My favourite thing about being a Long Road student is the clubs and societies I have joined, like Women's Basketball, I've made so many friends this way!"

I am really pleased that you are considering joining Long Road Sixth Form College. We are a friendly, inclusive College and we will welcome you into our community from the moment you make an application to study with us.



We understand that the move from school can sometimes feel a little daunting, that's why we make sure you'll have individual support throughout your time with us, to ensure a smooth transition and to get the most out of College life. At Long Road, you'll learn in a mature, university style setting (no bells or uniforms) on our lovely green campus where we will help you gain the skills, independence and confidence to thrive here, and in the future.

We are experts in 16-19 education. As all our Ofsted inspections have highlighted, Long Road has a long and proud history of supporting students to achieve their very best. Our students are successful because our teachers are truly committed subject specialists, we recognise every student is unique and provide the support that's right for **you**.

All too soon you'll be thinking of your next move; and we will help you with that too highlighting all the many different paths you could take. We don't assume one route is right for everyone.

Our mission is to empower every student to fulfil their unique potential. **Our goal is your success.** We want you to leave Long Road proud of what you have contributed and achieved; ready to make a positive difference in the world.

Do visit our website, where we have lots of material to give you a real flavour of college life, and do come and see us at one of our Open Evenings to really appreciate all that Long Road can offer you.

I hope we meet soon.
My very best wishes,

Yolanda

Yolanda Botham
Principal

WHY CHOOSE LONG ROAD?

HAPPY
CARING
INCLUSIVE
SPECIALIST
COMMITTED
APPROACHABLE
INDEPENDENT
AMAZING
WIDE-RANGING
FLEXIBLE
ENRICHING
RESULTS



Broadened your horizons at a SPECIALIST sixth form college

Studying at Long Road Sixth Form College is very different to studying at school. You'll gain a new-found independence over your studies and flexibility with your time.

You'll find yourself surrounded by like-minded peers, all aged between 16 and 19, in a vibrant and mature college environment. You'll meet new friends from a wide range of backgrounds, ethnicities, cultures, religions, and nationalities; our diverse Long Road community will shape the way you view the world and gives you the opportunity to explore new aspects of your identity.

Perhaps the biggest difference to school is that not all your learning will be in classrooms. You'll hear lectures and attend workshops led by business leaders, research scientists, musicians, designers, former students, academics, and other experts related to your study programme and future goals.

The environment on our campus is very similar to the environment found at universities: focused and professional. This is all part of our goal to ensure that you are prepared for your next step, whether that's university study, an apprenticeship or employment.

Julia (she/her) joined Long Road from The Netherhall School to study A Levels in Media, Photography and Sociology.

"My favourite thing about Long Road is how welcoming it is. I feel confident in myself thanks to the support from my teachers."



We nurture INDEPENDENT LEARNING

Moving up to Sixth Form College you'll experience a new level of independence that will develop your skills, attitudes and knowledge in preparation for your next steps; whether this is university study, an apprenticeship or employment.

At Long Road, you'll have lessons from Monday to Friday between 9:00am and 4:10pm, but unlike school you won't spend all day in class.

We'll encourage your learning to flourish with independent study periods, providing you with a variety of study spaces across the campus for you to visit between your lessons. Much of your independent study time will be spent in our Student Centre or our Learning Resource Centre; a study complex made up of a central library, computer rooms, group study area and silent study space. This time will be spent reviewing your notes, completing assignments, reading around your topics, discovering current research in your field and preparing for your next class.

Alex (he/him) was home educated before joining Long Road to study A Level's in English Language & Literature, Economics and Media.

"I love being a student at Long Road because the wide range of support has allowed me to establish new friendships in an openly accepting and positive environment."

Emma (she/her) joined Long Road from Cromwell Community College to study A Level's in English Language & Literature, History and Sociology.

"I love the overall atmosphere of Long Road - the genuine communal focus that the students and staff hold; and how willing teachers are to help you, without putting extensive pressure on anybody."



All our resources are easily accessible online giving you the flexibility to choose where you spend your independent study

time; this could be working from home, at your favourite café or outside in one of our many green spaces. Simply connect to wifi to access our college intranet site; from here you can download assignment briefs and resources or upload finished work for your teachers to mark.

Making the transition to studying at sixth form may be challenging: you will need to step up and take ownership of your learning. But don't worry; as you settle into Long Road life you'll learn how to organise your independent study time, carry out your own research, analyse sources and present your arguments. We will help you develop a positive mindset so that you feel confident in reaching your academic goals. At Long Road we use the VESPA framework to support you to achieve your best. It's designed around practical strategies that are focused on developing your **vision, effort, systems, practices and attitude** - 5 important areas of self-development that together add up to sixth form success!

BE YOURSELF
BE AMAZED
BE INSPIRED
BE YOUR BEST
BELONG

Agna (she/her) joined us from St Bede's to study Criminology Extended Certificate and A Levels in Film and Media.

"My favourite thing about Long Road is how inclusive the college community is and the independence we have as students. Teachers really help navigate students to what is best for them, but at the end of the day it is up to you. This independent attitude prepares you for what university life will be like."

Our staff are COMMITTED & APPROACHABLE

At Long Road, we share a passion for learning and its capacity to transform lives; we strive to encourage and inspire you to be the best that you can be.

You will be taught by highly qualified subject specialist teachers who will get to know you as an individual. During classes they will expect high levels of student participation and mature group discussions; with their support and guidance you will learn the skills needed to confidently express and present your own opinions in a professional and academic manner. All of our teachers are friendly and approachable, you will call them by their first name and smaller class sizes mean you will receive more one-to-one attention than you're used to in Secondary School. Throughout your studies your teachers will also develop your skills in evaluation, organisation, time-management, and research techniques.

We know that moving from school to college is a big change: a new campus, new faces and a new level of independence. To make sure you feel at home, you will be assigned a Progress Coach to support you as you settle into Long Road life. Working together with you and your family from the moment you join our community, they will ensure a smooth transition and be on hand to guide you throughout your time with us.

Kudzai (he/him) joined Long Road from Bassinbourn Village College to study A Level's in Biology, Chemistry and Maths.

"My favourite thing about Long Road is the friendly environment where you can easily get any help in anything you're struggling with."

Inspiring you to find your vision is key to the Progress Coach role. At the start of your course they will introduce you to the VESPA framework, helping you make use of effective tools that enable you to develop a positive mindset and aim high, reflect on what you're good at, and develop the new skills, systems and attitudes necessary for successful sixth form study. We know it feels like a big step - but your Progress Coach will help you build your confidence. You got this!

As you begin to find your feet, your Progress Coach will always be there to keep a close eye on how you're getting on; they will help you stay on track and give you the support you need, when you need it. Overseeing your academic progress, they will update you and your family on your achievements and celebrate your successes. The team works closely with teachers, Academic Support, and the Wellbeing team to make sure that everyone gets the care they need. Our collaborative approach will help you to get the most out of your study programme, and your Progress Coach is always there to reach out with a helping hand.

Our staff are COMMITTED & APPROACHABLE

It's never too soon to start thinking about your next steps, and when you need to make decisions about your future, you will be supported every step of the way. Regular group tutorials and workshops will help you explore your options so that you can make an informed choice. Trained to provide up-to-date information and impartial advice about careers, your Progress Coach will work with you individually to identify your career goals and find the pathway that best suits you and your ambitions. By supporting you to find the enrichment and extra-curricular activities that build a great personal statement, a stand-out CV - or just fill you with joy - your Progress Coach will motivate you to take action and put in place everything you need to step forward into a happy and fulfilling future.

You'll receive:

- One-to-one Progress Reviews to monitor your academic progress and support your wellbeing.
- Advice and tips to help you achieve your potential and get the most out of your time with us.
- Practical tools to build effective study skills including time management, organisation, and study and revision techniques that really work.
- Regular tutorials that support your personal development and build your confidence as a responsible citizen taking your first steps in the adult world.
- Help creating your own personal progression plan, with advice on careers, good-quality apprenticeships and university pathways.



Our staff are COMMITTED & APPROACHABLE

Based in the Student Centre, you can find our friendly Student Services team on our Helpdesk throughout the college day ready to support you - no question is too big or too small! The Helpdesk is your first port of call for guidance with any aspect of everyday life at Long Road - queries about your timetable, who to tell if you're ill, where to go to solve an IT issue, how to access financial support or who to ask for wellbeing advice. If they can't answer your question, they will point you to the person who can!

"Teachers prepare students effectively to cope with higher-level study, an apprenticeship or employment. As a result, students are resilient and focused on achieving their goals. Students successfully move on to high-level apprenticeships, including in chemical or aerospace engineering and accountancy. Most students choose to study at university. They complete their courses and gain high-grade degrees." - Ofsted 2020



Join a HAPPY, CARING, INCLUSIVE community

Feeling a little nervous about moving up to Sixth Form College? Don't worry, that's totally normal. We understand that starting at college can feel overwhelming: we have lots of ways of supporting you, as your wellbeing is our top priority. We promise to listen and respond to your individual needs and will support you to take part fully in both the academic and social life of the college. We look forward to welcoming you to our college community!

Throughout your time with us, you will be encouraged and supported to develop your skills and independence, find your future path, and achieve your goals. All courses provide opportunities for individual support in workshop sessions led by subject specialists. Sessions are held twice a week and are a great way to get help with homework and catch up on areas where you need extra support. We also offer general study skills sessions to help you improve your literacy, organise your college work, revise your subjects and work on your UCAS personal statement, apprenticeship applications or CV. These are essential skills to help you make the successful transition to sixth form. All study skills resources are available on our online learning platform - Moodle - which you can access from home.

We believe that every student can achieve their potential and we aim to develop the most effective study programme for you. Whatever challenges you may face, our dedicated Academic Support team will work with you and your family to ensure that this happens. In our friendly team we have a Wellbeing

Co-ordinator who can offer 1:1 support as well as small group sessions to explore techniques to help you overcome the stresses and strains of everyday life. Our college counsellors can support more complex mental health needs, and we can signpost you to appropriate external therapeutic and counselling services too. You'll soon get to know our friendly Student Supervisors who will help you navigate the college as well as offer the C-Card scheme and free period products to all.

We run regular Wellbeing Events for everyone—these include activities such as yoga, art therapy, mindfulness and even cuddling therapy dogs! We're partnered with a 24/7 support helpline staffed by trained counsellors that you can access at any time day or night, and throughout the holidays. Their app is full of tips and advice on practical issues including debt, finance, relationships, and legal advice—as well as self-care tools and activities to help you manage and overcome barriers to good health and wellbeing. Best of all—it's absolutely free!

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Students with learning difficulties, physical difficulties and other health issues are welcome at Long Road. For students with EHC plans we develop individual learning programmes that are regularly reviewed and adjusted as needed. Our team of qualified specialist tutors can provide formal assessments for access arrangements and informal assessments of students' individual learning needs. Students with English as their second language are offered extra tuition with a specialist teacher. A range of IT equipment and software is available to support students' studies, including text-to-speech and mind-mapping programmes. Our college buildings have ready access for wheelchair users, and we provide classroom and general assistance for students who have physical impairments such as partial sight, partial hearing and motor skills difficulties. We are here to help all students achieve the highest standards and the best outcomes possible. Our teaching and support staff all have a strong commitment to ensuring everyone has equal opportunities to succeed.

Tom (he/him) joined Long Road from Cambourne Village College to study A Level's in Media and Sociology and a Level 3 Extended Certificate in Musical Theatre.

"My favourite thing about Long Road is the independence and freedom you get compare to secondary school."



Course choices are WIDE-RANGING & FLEXIBLE

At Long Road, we provide you with the widest choice of courses to build your unique study programme; art, science, humanities, languages, media, social sciences, sport and performance – we have it all!

We offer you the opportunity to combine both A Levels and Level 3 Diplomas to create a study programme tailored to your career goals. But that's not all! Long Road is pleased to be involved in the new T Level qualifications, and we are hoping to introduce Education and Childcare as a pilot in 2024.

Showcase your research skills with the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) an independent study project, equivalent to half and A Level, that is highly valued by universities and employers.

If you're looking to boost your GCSE grades you can study a 1-year transition programme made up of GCSEs or Level 2 Diplomas.

For all you creative geniuses, you can progress to our Level 4 Foundation Art and Design course, which held their previous Graduate Exhibitions at the Fitzwilliam Museum, Madingley Hall and the Cambridge Museum of Technology!



Gopika (she/her) joined Long Road from Ely College to study A Level Sociology and Level 3 Extended Certificates in Criminology and Psychology.

"My favourite thing about Long Road is the large campus, during my free periods I can walk around the campus to clear my head and there are lots of spaces to do work."

Long Road Scholars' Award

We are delighted to be able to offer a number of Scholars' Awards to hard-working, high-achieving and ambitious students who have applied to study with us at Long Road. If you're accepted onto our Long Road Scholars' programme, you will be awarded £500 to support you in taking part in additional 'super-curricular' activities to help you excel in your subjects and aspire to the highest possible achievement in your study programme.

How you spend your award would be entirely your decision, but examples of ways that you could enrich your learning include:

- UK or overseas travel to a place relevant to your studies
- attendance at exhibitions, conferences or other events
- purchase of books, journals or a laptop
- purchase of additional items such as art supplies or photographic equipment

As a Long Road Scholar, we expect you to continue your hard work both within your studies and in your contribution to wider college life. You will participate in regular focus groups with our Senior Leadership Team, giving your thoughts and feedback to actively shape the college life. You will also develop key transferable skills such as communication and teamwork, through your role as an ambassador of the college.

Enjoy AMAZING FACILITIES AND GREEN SPACES

At Long Road Sixth Form College you can experience the best of both worlds, studying on a spacious green and leafy campus just a short walk from the historical city centre of Cambridge.

Breathing in the fresh air as you take a stroll along our woodland walk will make you feel a world away from city life. With several thousand trees on campus, including a number of rare species such as an Indian Bean Tree and Giant Redwood, we are very wildlife friendly – keep an eye out for foxes, rabbits, pheasants, ducks and owls! The Cambridge Biomedical Campus borders Long Road Sixth Form College placing you at the heart of cutting-edge scientific research. This scientific history of Cambridge continues to attract international STEM sector companies such as AstraZeneca, GlaxoSmithKline, Apple, Amazon, ARM and the Wellcome Sanger Institute, some of whom are our neighbours. Our highly-qualified staff have developed strong links with those working on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus putting you in an excellent position to learn from world-leading academics and industry specialist scientists.



Enjoy AMAZING FACILITIES AND GREEN SPACES

At Long Road we are committed to sustainability and playing our part in addressing the climate crisis.

As well encouraging environmentally friendly activities, such as recycling, we embed environmental education across the curriculum. If you're interested in making our community a greener place you can get involved in the Sustainability Committee and complete the nationally recognised Carbon Literacy programme, gaining certification and qualifying as trainers in your own right.

As part of our commitment to become net-zero as soon as possible, our students recently planted 100 new trees on campus - kindly gifted to us by the Woodland Trust. The planting of these Oaks and Silver Birches is all part of our re-wilding project and plans to further increase the biodiversity of our campus.

Enjoy AMAZING FACILITIES AND GREEN SPACES

We are continually investing in new study and leisure facilities across our campus to ensure that you have the best possible experience whilst studying with us.

If you're an aspiring artist, you will find yourself working in our specialist art studios, or if photography is your passion you can develop your skills in our professional studio and darkroom. Future BAFTA Award winners will find themselves centre stage in our black box theatre, while our sports stars can spend their time training in our on-campus gym and Sports Lab.

Last year we were recognised by the Department for Education for the high quality of our teaching and learning, and as a result we were awarded additional funds to build a whole new teaching block! Our brand new building, opening September 2023, will be home to eight spacious classrooms as well as open study space overlooking our woodland walk and wildlife pond; the ideal peaceful location for you to focus on research and revision.



STUDY SUITES:

101 PCS
30 LAPTOPS
30,000 BOOKS



SCIENCE:

9 BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY,
PHYSICS AND
APPLIED SCIENCE LABS



SPORTS:

1 GYM
3 TENNIS COURTS
1 HOCKEY PITCH
2 SPORTS FIELDS
2 BASKETBALL COURTS



ARTS:

12 ART STUDIOS
2 MUSIC AND PERFORMING
ARTS STUDIOS
1 BLACK BOX THEATRE



MEDIA:

3 PHOTOGRAPHY STUDIOS
1 DARKROOM
6 MEDIA SUITES
1 GRAPHIC DESIGN SUITE



Complement studies with ENRICHING EXPERIENCES



College life isn't all about academic study; it's a time to meet new people and try out new experiences.

Our broad enrichment programme of student-led clubs and societies encourages you to widen your horizons and develop valuable skills that will complement the knowledge gained in your classes. Your wellbeing is a priority for us, so take a break and get involved in something you enjoy!

Do you love being centre stage? Our Performing Arts department adapted to the online world, hosting half-termly Virtual Open Mic performances live-streamed on YouTube. Not a born performer? Take control of lighting, costumes, or set design. If you prefer being behind the camera why not join our Short Film Making club, or write an article for our student Film Magazine, The Long Lens. Celebrate your heritage or religion at one of our diversity groups such as the Muslim Society, Christian Union or Black Peoples' Society. Want to see a change in the world? Have a debate with our Feminist Society, Marxist Society or Politics Society. Develop your teamwork and leadership skills with the Duke of Edinburgh Gold Award, stretch your brain power at Chess Club or lose yourself in a fantasy world at Dungeons and Dragons Club. Whatever your passion, you can find your people here.



From fitness newbies to aspiring Olympic athletes, we can offer you a fantastic range of indoor and outdoor sports facilities. What's important to us is that you're able to take care of your physical and mental wellbeing, that's why we encourage all students to participate in keep-fit activities, using our extensive sports facilities. Indoors we have a four-badminton court Sports Hall, Sports Lab and a gym with a wide range of equipment; all available for you to use throughout the college day. Head outdoors to our wonderful field space where you can use our all-weather pitch, football pitch, rugby pitch and hard courts.

Looking for an easy way to make new friends? Look no further! Joining one of our team sports is a great way to meet new people and build lifelong friendships. Our Football, Rugby, Netball and Hockey teams all train or play competitive fixtures every Wednesday afternoon. Why not join the Histon Scholars, linked to Histon Football Club, or our Basketball Academy, linked to the Cambridge Cats Basketball Club? You will combine a high-performance football or basketball programme with your studies - our basketball team compete in the Academies Basketball League, the second highest tier in English basketball for colleges at U19 level! We are especially proud this year of our Indoor 24 Cricket Team who won the regional AoC Sport tournament, our Men's 1st Football team who are current champions of the Cambridge University League, our Women's Football team who came 2nd in the AoC Eastern Region division and our new Women's Basketball team who won their first ever home match against our local rivals with a score of 45 - 18!



SPORT

We will also support you in taking part in individual sports, such as badminton, cross-country running, tennis, and golf. Congratulations to two of our students successfully qualified this year for the AoC Sport National Championships in Men's Badminton. Joining forces with 4 other colleges, they formed the Eastern region Badminton team and came home very happy as bronze medal winners!

If you're just in it for the fun, try our Casual Sports programme which runs throughout the week; including sports such as Volleyball, Short Tennis, Table Tennis and Badminton. You can turn up, play for fun and get involved with the social side of sport! Can't find a sport that you love? Let us know - we're always happy to try and facilitate any sport based on student demand.



GETTING YOU WHERE YOU WANT TO GO



The world of work is changing with new jobs emerging all the time. Technology is developing at a rapid pace and change happens quickly: meaning it's more important than ever for you to develop the skills that employers look for. As a specialist Sixth Form College, our experienced Careers & Employability Team and subject expert teachers are committed to helping you to explore all your possible career pathways.

You might already have a plan for your future. Maybe you've got several ideas buzzing around your head; perhaps you've got no clue at all. That's fine! Whatever stage you're at, your time with us at Long Road will help you identify your skills and strengths, develop your vision of what impact you want to have on the world around you, and explore the pathways that will work best for you—whether that's university study, an apprenticeship, a gap year, or directly into the world of work.

You will be able to take advantage of a full programme of careers events all year round—jobs fairs with leading companies, inspirational subject talks, workplace visits, employer-led projects and workshops, and opportunities to meet apprenticeship and training providers. Our team are always here to help you secure invaluable work experience opportunities that will really help you learn work-ready skills, boost your confidence and build your CV. We will show you how to find up-to-date information about the jobs market and give you the chance to practice your interview technique with real employers. You can request personal one-to-one guidance from our own qualified careers advisers or external experts. And every student has free access to Unifrog, a state-of-the-art careers platform to support you each step of the way, whatever pathway you choose.

We know it works! We are incredibly proud that our progression statistics are above the national average, with 90% of students moving straight on to higher education, an apprenticeship or employment.

Successfully winning a place to study at medical or veterinary school is a challenge, with a competitive application process. But don't worry—if you dream of becoming a doctor, vet or dentist, our unique Med Squad programme will give you the best possible advantage. The dedicated Med Squad team will meet with you regularly, help organise work experience using our strong links with Addenbrooke's Hospital, advise you on different courses and help you target the medical schools most suited to you and your career goals. As you begin to make your applications, you will take part in special workshops run by medical students from the University of Cambridge, practise your interview skills, and be mentored as you develop your personal statements and prepare for the UCAT assessments. We are exceptionally proud of the 7 students (and counting!) who have received offers - 4 of them unconditional - from their chosen universities this year!

Med Squad

University

For many of our students, University is the next step, with over half of our students choosing this pathway. They are successful too. Our graduates have higher than average completion rates and achieve great results, with over 84% of Long Road alumni achieving a 1st or 2:1 Honours degree.

Did you know that last year our students ended up at over 100 different Universities all over the UK? From successful places at the University of Oxford in England, the University of Edinburgh in Scotland to Cardiff University in Wales, as well as a wide variety of universities and specialist creative arts colleges in London and the South East, we are proud of the courage our students show in stepping out of their comfort zone to try something new. With more and more overseas Universities teaching in English, we can help you broaden your horizons even further.

We have built successful relationships with a number of fantastic institutions: we've recently hosted workshops from the University of Sheffield, Norwich University of the Arts, University of Essex, Goldsmiths (University of London), and the University of Leicester, as well as subject taster days at the University of Lincoln and attended bespoke events hosted by our higher education neighbours ARU and the University of Cambridge, and further afield at the University of Warwick.

Our Aim Higher programme is designed to help you aim high, reach your goals and beyond! Exploring the different subjects, courses and institutions on offer through regular workshops, tutorials and special information events will help both you and your family navigate the world of higher education. We are always on hand to answer any questions you have about student finance, different types of universities and colleges, entry requirements or the UCAS process. There's advice at every step of your journey.

NEXT STEPS

► Aiming for Oxbridge?

On our Russell Group Preparation Programme you will receive one-to-one support from recent Oxbridge alumni, meet Admissions Officers, and be guided through every step of your application.



Alumni Profile

Francesca

Long Road Alumnus 2014
Law LLB, University of Lincoln
Law MA, University of Law
Advanced Paralegal (MCILEx) and Trainee Solicitor, Edmondson Hall Solicitors

"I was fortunate enough to receive offers to attend numerous Sixth Form colleges in and around Cambridge. However, when I attended an open evening at Long Road, I knew it would be the perfect fit for me. Everybody was so friendly and approachable!

Despite being very nervous about the transition from Secondary School to Sixth Form College, I made friends for life, and really learnt a lot about who I was as a person and what I wanted to do in the future.

I was never very academic, but with the guidance and support I received at Long Road, I am now on route to qualify as a Solicitor – something I could have only ever dreamed of when I was young."

Further Education

Not sure if University is right for you? Don't worry, we will help you explore all of your options. We can advise on Foundation years and access to Higher Education; if you don't think a full degree programme is the right choice and you want a more vocational route into your dream career, we will help you to explore other technical qualifications and find the right further education course to make your next steps a success.



Alumni Profile

Mo

Long Road Alumnus 2020
Level 4 Art Foundation,
Manchester School of Art

"My favourite thing about studying at Long Road was the fact that I had teachers that would challenge my opinions and methods of working whilst trusting and supporting the direction I chose to go in – I despise being patronised, so it was really lovely that I had that level of stimulation/debate and I really felt I was being listened to. I'd like to thank all my teachers for allowing me to push boundaries and being so engaged and supportive, as well as giving me the confidence to take Art further!"

Apprenticeships and Degree Apprenticeships

Want to earn while you learn? We know that University isn't for everyone, and the growth of high-quality advanced Apprenticeships means there has never been a better time to explore alternatives. You can even study for a degree at the same time as developing the skills needed by industry. We will help you understand the different types of Apprenticeship available through our careers and tutorial programmes, keep you updated with live vacancies locally and nationally, and support you to develop persuasive applications that stand out in a competitive market.

Our annual Apprenticeship Fair is perfect if you're looking to kick-start your career. We collaborate with our careers and enterprise partner, Form the Future, to host a range of local, national and world-leading international companies to talk about their Apprenticeship opportunities and to answer your questions. From IT and Tech, Finance and Pharmaceutical, to the uniformed public services and the NHS, as well as local creative industries—we've got it covered.



Alumni Profile

Oliver

Long Road Alumnus 2017
Construction Management Degree Apprenticeship,
Farrans

"I chose to study at Long Road because it has a great reputation for high education standards and has great opportunities for sport and music, both of which I studied during my time at the college. My favourite thing about the college was the freedom I was given to grow as a person and the independence I gained. The extra-curricular activities on offer were excellent, I met so many amazing people and made amazing memories.

Long Road enabled me to achieve good grades, mature as a person and grow in confidence. All of this meant I was able to successfully enrol onto a Degree Apprenticeship for a big construction company. Since leaving Long Road I have been working as a Construction Planner for Farrans who have sponsored my degree in Construction Management."

Employment

Once you know where you're heading, we can help you get there! We work closely with the award-winning Social Enterprise Pathway CTM to develop students' employability and prepare them for industry, advising on CVs, job searches, applications and interviews. Our careers events bring industry experts onto campus, providing real insight into a variety of jobs. You will have a wealth of opportunities to gain knowledge and employability skills, learning from industry talks, projects and live briefs from local businesses and global companies including ARM, AstraZeneca, and Amazon.



Alumni Profile

Will

Long Road Alumnus 2020
Professional Jockey

"I have been working as a professional Jockey since leaving Long Road in 2020, moving to America for my career in February 2022. I started racing here full time in April 2022 and have subsequently won 60 races and made \$2.1m in prize money. Those statistics alone would probably be my biggest achievement.

I plan on staying here for the foreseeable future and my target is to win 100+ races in 2023. In February I won a \$250,000 stake race, which is the highest level of race - so hopefully I'm on track!

My favourite memory from Long Road is the fun that I had in my Level 3 Sports course, the things that I learnt on that course have definitely benefited me with my sporting career since leaving the college."

NEXT STEPS

THE WIDEST CHOICE OF COURSES

Already got an idea of what you want to study at University, which apprenticeship you want to apply for, or the career path you want to follow? Then it's a good idea to look at their entry requirements before choosing your course combination.

We offer you the opportunity to study both A Levels and Level 3 Diplomas – both of which can qualify you for University! The graphic on page 46 shows how you can combine A Levels and Level 3 Diplomas to make a full study programme; the equivalent of three courses. If you need to, you can retake GCSE Maths or English alongside your Level 3 study programme; or if you're looking to boost your GCSE studies you can take Level 2 Diplomas or GCSEs in a 1-year transition programme.



LEVEL 4

Foundation Courses

Art & Design **90**

LEVEL 3

A levels

Art, Craft and Design **52**
 Biology **54**
 Business Studies **55**
 Chemistry **57**
 Design Technology **60**
 Drama and Theatre Studies **61**
 Economics **62**
 English Language and Literature **64**
 English Literature **65**
 Environmental Science **66**
 Film Studies **67**
 French **68**
 Geography **69**
 History **72**
 Mathematics **74**
 Mathematics (Further) **75**
 Media Studies **76**
 Photography **80**
 Physical Education **81**
 Physics **82**
 Politics **83**
 Psychology **84**
 Religion, Philosophy of Religion and Ethics **86**
 Sociology **87**
 Spanish **88**

Diplomas

Applied Science **51**
 Art and Design **53**
 Business **56**
 Computing **58**
 Criminology **59**
 Graphic Design **68**
 Health & Social Care **71**
 IT **73**
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A levels

A Levels are two-year academic qualifications which you can take in a variety of subjects. You need to choose three A Level courses to create your full study programme, or you can mix and match A Levels with Level 3 Diplomas: check out page 46 to see how to do this.

A Level courses are on the purple pages (pages 52-88).

Assessment

You will be assessed by examination at the end of Year 2. Some A Levels have a coursework component, usually 20% of your final grade. See each course description for the breakdown.

Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at Grade 5 or above.
Grade 5 or above in relevant GCSE subjects.

Please see our website for specific course entry requirements.

Your future

You can use your A Levels to progress to University, an apprenticeship or employment.

Note:

We regularly review our entry requirements. Scan the QR code below to visit our website (www.longroad.ac.uk) and view course specific entry requirements and up-to-date information.



Level 3 Diplomas (Applied General Qualifications)

Level 3 Diplomas are two-year courses which combine practical learning with the study of theory. Although each subject is related to a general area of employment, the skills you develop can be transferred to a wide range of careers. To create a full study programme you need to choose the equivalent of 3 courses; Diplomas can be combined with A Levels – turn to page 46 to see how to do this.

Level 3 Diplomas can be taken as:

An Extended Certificate = 1 course

A Diploma = 2 courses

An Extended Diploma = 3 courses

Level 3 Diplomas are shown on the red (pages 51-89).

Assessment

Diplomas are assessed with a mixture of exam and coursework. See each course description for the breakdown.

Entry requirements

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above.

Grade 4 or above in relevant GCSE subjects.

A Merit in the subject applied for if taken as an Applied Level 2 course.

Please see our website for specific course entry requirements.

Your future

You can use your Diploma to progress to university, an apprenticeship or employment.

Note:








We regularly review our entry requirements. Scan the QR code below to visit our website (www.longroad.ac.uk) and view course specific entry requirements and up-to-date information.



Combining A levels and Diplomas

At Long Road we give you the freedom to create your own academic study programme with unique combinations of both A Levels and Level 3 Diplomas. All Level 3 study programmes consist of a learning aim equalling three parts. A Levels equal one part; Level 3 Diplomas equal one, two or three parts. You can combine these different elements to create your individual programme. When you make your application we'll invite you to an interview during which we can give you advice and guidance on the best combination of subjects to meet your progression aims.

Your choices:

Select just A levels...	...or just Diplomas	...or a mixture of both
3 A Levels 	1 Extended Diploma 	1 A Level & 2 Extended Certificates 
	3 Extended Certificates 	1 A Level & 1 Diploma 
	1 Diploma & 1 Extended Certificate 	2 A Levels + 1 Extended Certificate 

T Level

T Levels are a brand-new qualification designed to give you a head start towards the your future career. Equivalent to three A Levels, this 2-year qualification brings classroom and work placement together, on a course designed in collaboration with the best employers. You'll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and 20% on a work placement to equip you with the knowledge and skills companies are looking for.

Assessment

You will be assessed by a combination of examination and an employer-set project.

Entry requirements

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above, including GCSE English Language.

Please see our website for specific course entry requirements.

Your future

Your T Level will help you step straight into your chosen career, an apprenticeship or a degree.

Note:

We regularly review our entry requirements. Scan the QR code below to visit our website (www.longroad.ac.uk) and view course specific entry requirements and up-to-date informations.



Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)



Student Zoe used the skills gained in her Level 3 Graphic Design qualification to create her own film posters for her EPQ artefact.



Boost your CV and enhance your personal statement while carrying out an independent project on a topic you love. The Extended Project Qualification showcases to employers and universities that you're an independent learner, able to manage a project, solve problems, organise your time, conduct original research and produce a high-quality product. In fact, this additional qualification is so highly valued that some universities will even lower their grade boundaries if you achieve a high EPQ grade!

Independence is key to EPQ, meaning you get to choose what you'd like to study and how you'd like to study it. The topic can be related to your other subjects, or something completely different, and you get to decide how you present your final product. You can:

- write a dissertation
- create an artefact
- produce a performance, or
- carry out an investigation

If you decide to carry out the EPQ you'll start at the end of Year 1 of your Level 3 course, giving you time to think about your goals after Long Road and tailor your EPQ to help achieve these dreams. Although the EPQ is largely independent study, you'll have a specialised EPQ tutor to keep you on track and weekly lessons to help you to understand the requirements of the qualification.

Recent examples of projects include:

- A dissertation on the impact of VAR on professional football.
- A dissertation on the extent to which Jane Austen's portrayal of women in *Pride and Prejudice* is a true reflection of female gender roles in the nineteenth century.
- An investigation into the impact of music on reaction times when driving.
- An investigation into the effect of phosphoric acid on teeth.
- A TED-style talk on the importance of failing well.
- The creation of a dance representing women in sport.
- The creation of a revision website to help those doing A Level Chemistry.
- The creation of a portfolio to showcase the skills require to create effective theatrical and media make-up.

ACCESS TO LEVEL 3 COURSES

Level 2 Transition year Applied Diplomas or Certificates

We are currently reviewing our Level 2 transition year subjects. Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information.

These one-year programmes, unique to sixth-form providers, give students an alternative pathway to Level 3 study, apprenticeships and employment with training.

These are full one-year courses with an emphasis on applied learning and opportunities for direct employment sector experience, including work placements. Expectations during the year will be high, with an emphasis on developing a range of skills to help you be effective in the workplace and take on the challenge of Level 3 study. There is a clear progression route to the Level 3 Diplomas offered at Long Road.

This full programme of study can be taken alongside GCSE Maths and/or GCSE English. In order to provide sufficient focus on obtaining at least Grade 4 in GCSE Maths and/or GCSE English students taking both these are likely to follow a Level 2 Certificate programme rather than a Diploma.

Entry requirements

Three GCSEs at Grade 4.
GCSE English and GCSE Maths at Grade 3.
GCSE Maths and/or GCSE English must be retaken if not achieved at Grade 4 or above.

Note:

We are currently reviewing our Level 2 transition year subjects. Scan the QR code below to visit our website (www.longroad.ac.uk) and view up-to-date information.



ACCESS TO
LEVEL 3 COURSES

Level 2 Transition GCSE Programme

We are currently reviewing our Level 2 transition year subjects. Please visit our website for the most up-to-date information.

This one-year programme enables you to build the foundations needed to succeed on a Level 3 study programme.

The programme includes tutorial support and the development of study skills. To progress to Level 3 study you must satisfy the minimum entry requirements of each Level 3 course and also have demonstrated commitment and success during the Transition Year through high attendance and achievement.

Entry requirements

Three GCSEs at Grade 3
GCSE English and GCSE Maths at Grade 3.
GCSE Maths and/or GCSE English must be retaken if not achieved at Grade 4 or above.

Note:

We are currently reviewing our Level 2 transition year subjects. Scan the QR code below to visit our website (www.longroad.ac.uk) and view up-to-date information.



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Applied Science

Extended Certificate ● ● ●
Diploma ● ● ●

Assessment

Extended Certificate

- 58% Exam
- 42% Coursework
- Exam Board: Pearson

Extended Diploma

- 45% Exam
- 55% Coursework
- Exam Board: Pearson

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website

www.longroad.ac.uk



If you are looking to build a learning programme with a strong core of scientific study, or are looking to progress to higher education or a career in the STEM industry, then Level 3 Applied Science may be the course for you!

Throughout the 2 year Extended Certificate course you will study:

- Principals and Applications of Science,
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques,
- Science Investigation Skills,
- Physiology of the Human Body.

In addition to the topics studied on the Extended Certificate, the larger Diploma qualification allows you the opportunity to either give breadth to your study by choosing a contrasting subject, or to give your studies more focus by choosing a complementary subject. Throughout this 2-year course you will study...

- Principles and Applications of Science,
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques,
- Science Investigation Skills,
- Laboratory Techniques and their Application,
- Principles and Applications of Science II,
- Investigative Project,
- Physiology of Human Body Systems,
- Industrial Chemical Reactions.

Diploma students get the opportunity to work with Career Ready, a national social mobility charity, who offer a series of skill master classes, industrial visits to local employers such as AstraZeneca, NHS Addenbrookes, Suez Waste Management and EDF Energy, a mentor from the world of work, and work placement opportunities.

Students have gone onto a variety of university courses such as Biochemistry, Biomedical Science, Forensic Science, Mechanical Engineering, Pharmacy, Physics, Physiotherapy, Sports Science, Sports Therapy or apprenticeships such as Electrician, Lab Science, Mechanic, Midwifery, Paramedic, and Police.

A LEVEL

Art, Craft and Design

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 40% Exam
- 60% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:
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Enrich your creativity as an artist or designer through a series of integrated, theoretical, and practical workshops taught by teachers, who have a range of industrial backgrounds, in our specialist art and design studios. Over two years you will create and present a practical portfolio of specialist work reflecting personal expression of ideas and feelings through the skillful manipulation of visual and written language.

We have three pathways for you to choose from:

- **Fine Art:** On this pathway you will work with drawing, painting, and printmaking techniques. This includes photographic silkscreen printing, traditional dry point etching, photography, mixed media, digital painting, and ceramics. You will learn about artist movements and how to critically analyse the work of other artists. Focus areas: Painting, Printmaking and Digital Painting.
- **Fashion with Textiles:** On this pathway you will explore and experiment with fashion and textile processes, undertake practical and theoretical research work and develop specialist skills including fashion drawing and fabric and fibre techniques. You will be encouraged to incorporate printed textile processes into your design work and direct photo shoots of your final work. Focus areas: Fashion Design, Textiles, Interiors Textiles and Fashion Promotion.
- **Graphic Illustrations:** On this pathway you will be offered a flexible approach to graphic design and illustration. You will be encouraged to incorporate printmaking and painting processes into graphic design and illustration developmental work. Through practical workshops on printmaking and digital techniques you will gain experience working with Photoshop and InDesign. We undertake both practical and theoretical research work, and ideas are explored through both graphic design and illustration assignments. Focus areas: Character Designs, Short Stories, Graphic Design, Promotional Posters and Packaging.

Students go on to study a wide range of specialist creative courses such as: Graphic Design, Animation, Games Design, Illustration, Architecture, Fashion, Fashion Marketing, Fine Art and Fine Art Conservation. You can also progress from this course onto our Level 4 Foundation Art and Design (see page 90 for more information).



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Art and Design

Extended Diploma ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 30% Exam
- 70% Coursework
- Exam Board: Edexcel Pearson

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Do you relish all aspects of the creative art and design world? This course gives you creative freedom when responding to assignment briefs, meaning you will gain skills in a wide range of processes and techniques. These include digital, photography, printmaking, surface pattern, three-dimensional, fashion and textiles, graphic design and illustration.

The course is delivered in specialist studios by experienced teachers. You will work alongside your peers completing final work for your portfolio along with sketchbooks containing your research, ideas and proposals. You will become competent in both presenting and explaining your work alongside, project management and responding to a brief creatively.

We enrich all learning with visiting speakers and trips that will enable you to complete first hand research. Visits have included destinations such as the National Portrait Gallery, the Courtauld Institute, White Cube Gallery, the Victoria and Albert Museum, the British Museum and Tate Modern.

Students who successfully complete the Extended Diploma in Art course mainly progress to university study. Students have gone on to study a range of creative degree courses including graphic design, architecture, product design, photography, illustration, fashion design, textiles, jewelry design, surface pattern, games design and fine art. Destinations have included Edinburgh School of Art, Central St Martins, Leeds School of Art, Brighton, Norwich University of the Arts, Nottingham Trent and Falmouth. You can also progress from this course onto our Level 4 Foundation Art and Design (see page 90 for more information).

The course is fast paced, exciting and enables students to gain experience in varying techniques, alongside focusing on specialist areas that provides portfolio evidence for their next progression pathway. By the end of this course you will have produced a stunning and varied portfolio, demonstrating your commitment and passion for the creative world.



A LEVEL

Biology

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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Of all the sciences, advances in Biology have been unprecedented over recent years and promise to continue to be so in the future. Many of these advances, and the issues surrounding them, have been integrated into our Biology syllabus; such as the growing field of epigenetics and genomic medicine, all while tackling big issues such as the ethics of using animals in medical research.

Many aspects of the course regularly appear on the national news (recent examples being climate change, viruses, and clinical trials for new drugs). You will focus on our physical bodies, looking at how the human body functions when both well and unwell, why the Government is so keen for us to exercise, explore heart and lung physiology, and drugs in sport. There is also significant overlap with A Levels in Geography (ecosystems, succession, conservation of species and climate change), PE (human anatomy and physiology), and Psychology (brain structure and function, and how we perceive the visual world).

As with the other sciences, the study of Biology helps you to build up skills in research, problem solving, organisation and analytical skills. Some of the content we cover includes Chemistry and Maths, but it is not necessary for you to study these alongside Biology at A Level; we will teach you all of the Chemistry and Maths that you need to know.

To support your exams, your abilities in effective memorising techniques, applying knowledge, analysis and evaluation will also be developed to maximise your final grade. Our detailed and extensive support materials will hugely benefit you over the two years of the course. Practical work is a critical part of the programme, so we will work to enhance your skills to enable a smooth transition to university or employment.

A LEVEL

Business Studies

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: WJEC

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:

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Business A Level lifts the lid on business organisations and investigates what makes them tick. You will learn how functions such as marketing, human resources, product development and finance all have to work closely together in order to achieve the aims and objectives of the business. You will also look at influences outside of the business that affects it, such as the economy.

In your first year, you will learn what it takes to set up and run a business and the types of business organisations there are. You will then look at financial aspects of business along with the human and operational areas.

The second year of the course considers a broader overview of business strategies, economic influences on the business, and how the different parts of the business react to these issues; as well as learning tools to analyse and judge the success of a business.

Business students find that there is a huge range of opportunities for them, whether this is through a traditional university route, where you may want to specialise in a particular area of business, or through an apprenticeship route. You might consider employment, or even developing that fantastic business idea you had in the first term of your studies!



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Business

Extended Certificate ●●●

Assessment

- 50% Exam
- 50% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:
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Our Business Extended Certificate course is designed to meet the changing needs of the business sector and to prepare you for the challenges you'll face in Higher Education or employment.

Through deepening your analysis and research skills, you will explore ways in which businesses respond to changes in their economic, social and technological environment; and gain an appreciation of the influence different stakeholders can have upon a business.

You will create portfolios of work, which will include presentations, role plays and formal reports, to develop and assess your communication skills. You will also develop skills in other widely used business software tools such as excel to create Gantt Charts in order to undertake Critical Path Analysis. You will gain key business skills, such as how to analyse financial data from balance sheets and income statements, and write a variety of communications in a professional manner.

The course is broad in its content and will give you the opportunity to study a wide variety of topics, giving you an insight into future pathways. The course will provide you with a number of soft skills required by employers as you will have been exposed to a workload that will require them to manage deadlines, prioritise tasks and delegate work within teams.



A LEVEL

Chemistry

A level ●●●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: OCR

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:
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Have you ever wondered how many atoms there are in a drop of water? Or thought about what is happening to the dye molecules in your clothing to give them colour? Would you be interested to know what is inside the medicine you take? Our A Level Chemistry course will help you discover answers to questions like these and transform your appreciation of the world around you.

This course will develop your understanding of unimaginably tiny particles like atoms, molecules and ions that you cannot directly experience, and reveal how the structure and arrangement of these particles affects the properties of materials you can actually see. You will also learn how to describe and represent the structures and substances you encounter in a way that will allow effective communication with other chemists.

The course is presented in a series of ten topical storylines in which you will see the relevance of all the chemistry you study. These include reactions in the atmosphere leading to ozone depletion, creating efficient chemical processes for industry and designing drug molecules with the correct shape to interact with a particular enzyme. Practical work is integrated into every topic and you will have plenty of opportunities to develop your experimental skills in our specialised laboratories, using extensive equipment and materials and collaborating with other students. You will also have an opportunity to carry out a chemistry based research project as part of an Extended Project Qualification.

Chemistry is central to science and highly valued by universities and employers because of the range of skills you develop. The course is essential for entry into many medical and veterinary orientated courses and suitable for further study in engineering, biochemical sciences and pharmacy as well as many others.



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Computing

Extended Certificate ●●●●

Assessment

- 58% Exam
- 42% Coursework
- Exam Board: Edexcel

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:

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Our Level 3 Extended Certificate in Computing provides a practical and applied way of learning about Computer Science, IT security and the Games Industry. This course will prepare you for progression into a wide range of pathways at university, apprenticeships, and employment.

Within the course you will discover the core principles that underpin all areas of computer science and develop computational-thinking and coding skills which will be put to the test as you solve problems. You will deepen your knowledge, studying the fundamental principles of how computer systems work including; the role of hardware and software, the way components of a system work together and how data in a system is used.

With the ever-growing importance of IT security, we will give you relevant and contemporary knowledge about IT system security threats, methods used to protect against them and data encryption.

Ever fancied yourself as a professional gamer? You will have the chance to investigate the computer games industry, its impact on technological and social trends and to design and develop a computer game using C# and the Unity game engine.

Former students have successfully progressed to study university courses on specific areas such as Computer Science, Ethical Hacking and Cybersecurity, Computer Games Development and Mechanical Engineering. Others have joined local organisations for their apprenticeship schemes including the companies Astra Zeneca and Amazon. Whatever progression route you choose, this course will give you the skills and knowledge needed to follow a career path in the Computing and IT industry.

LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Criminology

Extended Certificate ●●●●

Assessment

- 50% Exam
- 50% Coursework
- Exam Board: WJEC

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:

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Criminology studies potential explanations of criminality. Within the course, we explore how individuals, the criminal justice system of England and Wales, society and public agencies respond to crime. Whilst studying criminology you will compare critical approaches of the criminal justice system and evaluate the effectiveness of crime control in England and Wales, through the use of theory and application of offences and punishments.

You will study various high profile case studies and real-world examples of crime which demonstrate the processes involved in investigating the crime scene through to the trial in a court room. You will analyse the impact of crime reporting in the media, and how this impacts the public perception of crime; whilst exploring the social construction of criminality and the theories behind it.

You will also consider how 'the media' portrays crime can have a significant impact on how crime levels are perceived and understood by society. Through reviewing particular campaigns, you will also understand how changes in law and government policy can occur. Using this knowledge, you will then plan your own campaign for change relating to a particular crime. The skills learned, will enable you to take this qualification into either employment, apprenticeships or onto Higher Education.



A LEVEL

Design
Technology

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 50% Exam
- 50% Coursework
- Exam Board: AQA

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:

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At its heart, Design & Technology is about combining curiosity, problem solving and creativity to find solutions for real world problems. If you are creative, practical and technically minded, if you are driven to investigate challenging problems and deliver user-centred solutions then DT could be for you.

You will carry out practical work using industry standard equipment, such as 3D printers and laser cutters, alongside lessons which focus on the theoretical study of design, material properties and manufacturing. You will be taught by specialist teachers and hear from alumni and guest speakers from industry. The course is further enriched with external trips to design events and exhibitions in Cambridge and London.

You will develop your understanding of real-world problems and come up with effective, empathetic solutions. We will discuss issues such as ecology, ethics, economics, cultural differences and social responsibility as well as how designers can improve people's lives.

Your project work will involve research, creative problem solving, project management as well as designing and making skills. You will learn how to generate and communicate design ideas with professional computer-aided-design software as well as develop your freehand sketching and rendering. You will consolidate your new skills by undertaking a major coursework project consisting of a portfolio and made prototype. This is your chance to really explore your interests as you will set your own brief and develop work that will aid you in your own unique progression route.

Managing your own projects and balancing the practical and theoretical demands of the course is a challenging experience, but one that will provide you with fantastic transferable skills for any industry. Design & Technology A Level goes well with artistic and creative subjects as well as sciences, Maths and IT. Our students go on to university courses, apprenticeships or employment in product design, fashion & textiles design, architecture, interior design, graphic design, 3D design, art, engineering and many others.



A LEVEL

Drama and
Theatre Studies

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

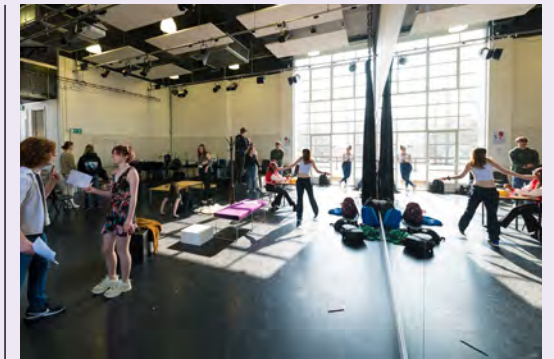
- 40% Exam
- 60% Coursework
- Exam Board: EDUQAS

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:

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Our Drama students take part in a range of professional workshops throughout the year, such as this one below with the Splendid Theatre Company.



Drama and Theatre Studies is an exciting, inspiring, and challenging course which encourages creativity and independence, so you become an effective theatre maker as a performer and/or designer. It is a highly practical course which prepares you for further study in higher education and drama schools.

The main focus of the course is the interpretation, development and making of theatre in preparation for both devised and scripted live performances. You will have the benefit of working with industry trained staff and practitioners within the department, who have many years of experience in teaching Drama and Theatre and preparing students for auditions.

Our Drama and Theatre course is taught in excellent purpose-built facilities, which include rehearsal rooms and a fully functional black box theatre. Visiting theatre groups and practitioners, theatre trips and enrichment activities working towards LAMDA Acting qualifications and RADA Shakespeare Awards ensures that any student studying at Long Road has the opportunity to develop their skills beyond the study timetable.

The course includes preparation for students considering Drama and Theatre courses at university and actor training at major Drama schools. It is also an excellent grounding for interpersonal skills such as communication, confidence building, organisation, and teamwork in preparation for careers in areas such as law, social work, psychology and teaching.

A LEVEL

Economics

A level ●○○

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: Edexcel

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:
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A Level Economics provides an introduction to many of the real-world topics that will influence the rest of your life – unemployment, mortgage rates, economic prosperity and the environment. Our course provides a solid foundation of both macroeconomic and microeconomic knowledge that will enable you to analyse and evaluate world events and political statements with a greater degree of understanding.

Economics is very much a social science, trying to model events and predict future outcomes based on those models. If you like to solve problems and figure out how things work, then this course will suit you!

By studying A Level Economics, you will develop a broad range of skills, applicable to your future life and careers. These include data analysis and numerical skills, the ability to critically assess real world events and situations and an understanding of the key economic factors which will influence the world in which you live.

The course is entirely exam assessed but with a variety of question lengths from multiple choice to essays; with an emphasis on data analysis, a willingness to work with numbers is helpful.

Economics students' progress to a wide variety of destinations both in higher education and employment. A substantial number go on to study either Economics or a closely related subject, with Business, Finance and Law at the top of this list. Destinations last year included York and Liverpool to study Economics and Finance, as well as Manchester to read Law. The subject is also popular as a third choice with students progressing to totally unrelated fields, with Yacht design and Fashion being recent example. Other students move into employment, often via the apprenticeship route, with accountancy being a favourite, although far from the only option.



T LEVEL

Education and Childcare

T level

Assessment

You will be assessed through a combination of written examination and an employer-set project.

For the most up-to-date entry requirements please scan below to visit our website:
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T Levels are a brand new qualification designed to give you a head start towards your future career. Equivalent to 3 A Levels, this 2-year qualification brings classroom and work placement together, on a course designed in collaboration with the best employers. If you are looking to develop both the knowledge and practical skills needed for a career in the education or childcare sector this course is for you!

Throughout the course you will develop an understanding of:

- the education and childcare sector from ages 0 to 19
- child development
- supporting children and young people's education
- safeguarding, health and safety and wellbeing
- understanding and managing behaviour
- observing and assessing children and young people
- equality and diversity
- special educational needs and disability
- English as an additional language
- working with parents, carers and wider families
- working with agencies and services that support children, families and carers
- reflective practice and professional development

You will also choose one of the following specialisms:

- early years education and childcare
- assisting teaching
- supporting and mentoring students in educational settings

Your chosen specialism will provide you with knowledge and skills required to enter employment or further study in the specific occupational area.

All students will undertake substantial work placements of at least 45 days. Industry placements will provide you with the opportunity to develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours required for skilled employment in your chosen occupation.



A LEVEL

English Language and Literature

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 80% Exam
- 20% Coursework
- Exam Board: EDUQAS

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Explore the myriad methods writers use to create meaning through this in-depth study of English Language and Literature.

You'll examine a wide range of texts, both literary and non-literary, learning how to use precise literary and linguistic terminology to analyse and compare works across genres and time. The course covers literature (prose, poetry & drama) as well as spoken language texts and Truman Capote's renowned true crime non-fiction novel, "In Cold Blood". The prose text we study is "The Color Purple" by Alice Walker, and our drama studies are shaped by Shakespeare's tragedy "Othello" and Alan Bennett's modern masterpiece "The History Boys". Study of the different contexts in which all texts are created further illuminates how meaning is interpreted and how art is in constant conversation with life.

Lessons will be an engaging mix of discussion, debates, pair, independent and group work. You'll develop the skills to write in a variety of styles and genres and you'll create a portfolio of your own fiction and non-fiction writing.

Throughout your studies, there will be opportunities to attend a range of activities to support your learning, including trips to see plays in performance, where possible. In recent years, our students have visited Shakespeare's Globe in London, the Cambridge Arts Theatre and the ADC Theatre, Cambridge.



A LEVEL

English Literature

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 80% Exam
- 20% Coursework
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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English Literature is for anyone who loves to read; if you like to discuss novels, plays and poetry this is the course for you! Our English Literature A Level will develop your skills in debating, arguing, and analysing. Throughout the course you will study eight texts from different time periods across: poetry, prose, and drama.

Drama: You will explore the genre of tragedy, considering its conventions and how these have been adapted at different points in literary history. Focusing on a Shakespearean tragedy and a 20th century tragedy you will consider the ways writers create characters and the stagecraft which gives the plays their emotional and dramatic impact. We will draw upon historic and modern performances of the plays, visiting the theatre to watch productions when possible.

Prose: Linked by the theme of the supernatural, you will compare two gothic novels considering the ways that writers make their books scary or unsettling and the ways that the supernatural is used to represent real anxieties within society. You will read a 19th century and a modern novel, allowing us to consider how modern readers might respond differently to those in the past.

Poetry: You will study two texts from different time periods, one a lively and varied collection of 21st century poems, and the other from a historic literary period. We will analyse unseen poems and make comparisons, using a precise technical vocabulary to discuss the ways in which poets use language and structure to create meanings.

Your coursework project will allow you to independently study two texts of your choosing; researching literary criticism and discussing different interpretations. All of your lessons will be varied and lively, with debate and discussion at their heart. You will develop excellent essay writing skills, being able to evaluate different interpretations of texts, and put forward your own critical arguments. These skills are essential in many careers, such as Law, Advertising, Journalism and Teaching.



A LEVEL

Environmental Science

A level ●●●●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: AQA

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Students who enjoy a multi-disciplinary approach to learning and have a keen interest in the sustainability of our planet will find our brand new course engaging and thought provoking. Lessons include real life case studies, meaning this contemporary qualification has never been more relevant!

Throughout your 2 years of study you will cover modules on;

- The Physical Environment
- Energy Resources
- Pollution
- The Living Environment
- Biological Resources
- Sustainability
- Research methods

Throughout your studies, you will consider environmental issues and reach conclusions based on reliable evidence-based information and quantitative data. You will develop an understanding of how human society relies upon natural systems for resources and life support systems. You will use your understanding of these systems to propose changes in society that would produce sustainable lifestyles.

Scientific research is a fundamental part of Environmental Science, and good research skills are needed to collect representative data so that you can form reliable conclusions in your research. We place a strong emphasis on developing your Working Scientifically skills, and there are opportunities for skills development and independent thinking throughout the course. You will plan and conduct investigative activities into environmental issues, undertaking a minimum of 4 days of fieldwork.

The assessment structure is clear and straightforward and uses a mixture of question styles, so that you have the best opportunity to demonstrate your knowledge and understanding. This course is a great accompaniment to A Levels in Geography, Biology, Physics and Maths and develops key skills including communication, teamwork and critical thinking.



A LEVEL

Film Studies

A level ●●●●

Assessment

- 70% Exam
- 30% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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Film Studies is about how we engage with films on a textual level; their form and aesthetics, how they produce meaning, and how they articulate our world to us. It encourages you to watch, analyse, discuss and write about films from different perspectives. If you love films and are interested in the analysis and creation of cinema then you will enjoy Film Studies A Level!

Over the two-year course, you will study twelve films including films from major film movements and production styles from the USA and the UK, as well as European and World Cinema. You will consider your role as spectator in the construction of meaning and examine film as an aesthetic art form, a storytelling medium and how films reflect their social and political contexts.

This course not only enables you to understand how films both make meaning and reflect wider societal values, but will also develop your own filmmaking skills and put theory into practice. Topics of study will include Silent Cinema, Film Noir, French New Wave, Surrealism, Ideology, Auteur Cinema, US and British Contemporary film and Documentary.

A Level Film Studies is a well-regarded subject which allows for significant creative and interpretive scope. The combination of theoretical understanding coupled with technical and creative knowledge means that the qualification offers you the chance to develop their own skills grounded in an academic context. As such, it fits very well alongside a range of other creative and technical subjects to give you a strong basis for university study. Many students go on to study film, television, journalism, or other creative industries related courses. Alternatively, it provides an excellent qualification for a creative apprenticeship or a successful career in the film industry.



A LEVEL

French

A level ●○○○

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: AQA

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Learning a language is an amazing experience, particularly if you enjoy discovering patterns, losing yourself in books and films, learning about new cultures and traveling. As a French A Level student, you will learn the intricacies of French grammar, giving you a deeper insight in the inner workings of the English language and make you a better communicator.

Throughout your two years of study you will focus on the following key objectives; understanding and appropriate reaction to spoken language and written language, manipulating language to express complex ideas, and the ability to analyse, evaluate and criticise original texts. In addition to being able to understand and interpret both the written and the spoken language, the focus on these objectives will develop your analytical, research, communication and critical skills.

The qualification consists of four main topics:

- Current trends of the French society;
- Multiculturalism;
- The political life in the French world;
- Art & Culture.

You will develop your listening and reading skills and learn to translate complex texts accurately both from French into English and from English into French. You will study a novel, currently "No et moi", and a film, currently "La haine", in the original which will evolve your analytical skills as well your capacity to write in French. You will read French newspapers and magazines, as well as watching French media and listening to French podcasts. You will conduct and present a research project on a topic of your choosing, which you will then discuss in-depth allowing your speaking skills to flourish.

With millions of French speakers worldwide, the importance of French as a world language is more and more appreciated. Being able to interact with people in their own language will open the doors to a wondrous world of possibilities such as the opportunity to work abroad.

A LEVEL

Geography

A level ●○○○

Assessment

- 80% Exam
- 20% Coursework
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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Geography is the study of people and their relationship with their environment, the impacts each has on the other and the challenges of managing those impacts. You will take part in fieldwork, classroom discussions, and reflect on your own experiences: how will the changes to the planet affect you, and how are you influencing these changes?

You will begin by studying the Carbon Cycle and Energy Security - how do we "keep the lights on" and avoid runaway climate change - we then move on to Globalisation - why is the world increasingly interconnected? How has this helped drive development, inequality and environmental degradation? How could we manage this better? Shaping Places is our last topic of year one and focuses on regeneration; why do some places in the UK need extra help and how might this "levelling-up" be achieved? We finish the first year with Coursework; a report on a topic of your choosing on an area of geography that interests you and you would like to develop further using data collected in 'the field'.

In Year 2 we start with a study of Glaciated Landscapes - how do ice sheets and glaciers operate to produce distinctive landscapes? How are these landscapes being changed by both physical processes and human activities? This is followed by Superpowers; the study of the pattern of power across the world including analysis of how superpower dominance has changed over time and what this means for the global economy, global politics and the environment. Tectonic Processes and Hazards is our final Physical Geography topic, with an in-depth study of the causes of tectonic hazards and management responses. We finish the course pulling together aspects of Human Geography around the themes of Migration, Identity and Sovereignty- how have changes studied in Globalisation and Superpowers affected the 'nation state', their populations and the environment?

Our Geographers spent 4 nights in Iceland this year, exploring the beautiful landscapes and even seeing the Northern Lights!



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Graphic Design

Extended Certificate ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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Prodigious Magazine - Final Outcome

Do you love everything graphic design, typography and illustration? Are you looking to develop your digital skills and get to grips with the fundamentals of graphic design such as composition, type layout and image based work? Over the course of two years, you will explore all these aspects of graphic design and more. The regular application of these skills to real world scenarios will prepare you for apprenticeships, employment or university.

In our dedicated studio you will be using the latest Adobe Creative Suite software on Apple iMacs with drawing tablets, scanners and a printer available to all students.

The course consists of three projects in the first year and three projects in the second year. Each project will differ in their graphic design context such as book cover design, magazine design, album art work, and branding and logo design. We are also very proud to be able to offer live projects set up with local companies which run alongside the course and offers you excellent real world experience; whether it's creating brochures for medical professionals, artwork for Arbury Carnival or t-shirts for Strawberry Fair. We set up the course to be as practical a course to get you on the right track to follow your vocation.

During your second year you will be guided to create a personal portfolio for your application to university or apprenticeships. You will be supported by your tutor and progress coaches throughout this time of application.

Assessment on the course will be continuous, with grades given at the end of each project. The course is highly creative to help you to develop your visual art and design-based skills. You will be supported by your teacher throughout the two years and encouraged to create personal responses to each project.

LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Health & Social Care

Extended Certificate ● ● ● ●

Diploma ● ● ● ●

Extended Diploma ● ● ● ●

Assessment

Extended Certificate

- 60% exam
- 40% coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

Diploma

- 45% Exam
- 55% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

Extended Diploma

- 40% Exam
- 60% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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The vital services and essential support provided by health and social care workers has never been more evident than in the recent years. Our Level 3 Health and Social Care courses give you the opportunity to gain an excellent introduction to a future career in this growing sector.

You will study modules such as anatomy and physiology, health and safety, and equality and diversity. You will gain an understanding of the health and social care sector, the different individuals you might meet, care for, or support, and the importance of effective communication and safe practice in the sector.

You will learn by applying your skills and knowledge to activities that are relevant to what happens in health, social care and childcare workplaces. There are opportunities to complete work placements at the end of Year 1, providing you with experience in of care work and development your core care skills.

In addition to your academic studies, you will be offered further enrichment activities linked to your classroom learning that will give you first-hand experience and boost your CV. Previously, this has included: achieving an accredited first aid certificate, participating in health and social care research projects, undertaking mental health training and collaborating with the local community to promote care and support of individuals with dementia, through the Dementia Friends scheme.

Teaching is by specialist staff who have the expert knowledge and industry experience to support your learning and future progression. By the end of year 2 you will be equipped with the skills and knowledge you need to progress onto university, apprenticeships, employment or further specialist training, opening up a wide range of career opportunities such as nursing, midwifery, social work, paramedic and childcare roles.

A LEVEL

History

A level



Assessment

- 80% Exam.
- 20% Coursework
- Exam Board: AQA

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Develop your skills of communication, evaluation, analysis, assessment and expression as you study revolution, the collapse of the monarchy and the establishment of new regimes on A Level History.

You will study England 1603-1702, considering the causes and events of the English Civil War and the execution of King Charles I in 1649 and assessing how far the monarchy was changed after the Restoration.

We give you the opportunity to specialise in either Russia 1917-1953 or Germany 1918-1945. Specialising in Russia will lead you to study the revolutions of 1917, Bolshevik Russia, Stalin's rule and Russia's emergence as a superpower following the Second World War. If you choose to specialise in Germany, you will spend your time studying the German revolution of 1918-1919 and the establishment of the Weimar Republic, the Nazis in power and their impact on the German population.

You will study and produce a coursework project on the struggle for black Civil Rights in America, 1860-1965; looking at some primary material as well as how historians have viewed this period.

We will also support your growing interest in understanding different time periods and the impact of political change on societies by presenting you with a number of opportunities to learn outside the classroom with activities such as guest speakers, trips and student conferences.

LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

IT

Extended Certificate



Assessment

- 50% Exam
- 50% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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IT is at the heart of everyday modern life; at work, at home and in our leisure time. From computer graphics and control systems to communications and problem solving, IT has an ever-increasing role to play and there is a diverse range of career opportunities available.

You will study the applications of virtual and augmented reality, social media, digital marketing and the internet of everything as well as basic hardware and networking. You will explore the interactive ways in which people engage with their digital media; work on projects for local clients, attend trips and interact with specialist IT gurus.

Completing coursework for each unit means you will develop excellent research, written communication and oral presentation skills. These, along with the teamwork and problem-solving skills you will refine while collaborating on projects, are all highly desired by employers.

All organisations use IT in some way, meaning a wide range of career opportunities are open to you; from financial and economic modeling to computer aided design and artificial intelligence. Recent leavers have moved on to degrees in Computer Science, Psychology, Business Studies, Accountancy, Nursing, Games Art and Design, Property Finance and Investment and Information Technology. Others have joined the armed forces, gone on to degree-apprenticeships with organisations such as Astra Zeneca or become entrepreneurs and started their own business.



A LEVEL

Mathematics

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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In the modern world, mathematics is not only relevant but crucial to the development of methods that can be applied to solve problems in science and society. Mathematics is an excellent training for the mind, requiring precise and accurate work, clear logical thought and problem solving skills. Why not join us and put your knowledge to the test?!

In Year 1, you will study a range of topics in pure maths: proof, algebra, graphs, binomial expansions, trigonometry, logarithms, calculus (differentiation and integration) and 2D vectors. You will also study two branches of applied mathematics. Mechanics deals with motion and the forces producing motion, while statistics is all about drawing conclusions from the analysis of data and probabilities.

In Year 2, you will study a further selection of pure maths including sequences, advanced calculus and 3D vectors. You will also continue the study of statistics, looking at conditional probability and the normal distribution as well as some further statistical hypothesis testing. In mechanics, we study moments, modelling with forces and friction, projectiles and more advanced kinematics.

You will be encouraged to enter for the Senior Maths Challenge and Senior Maths Team Challenge. You will also benefit from the Cambridge University STIMULUS project and opportunities to attend lectures and workshops. Support is also available for students wanting to take STEP or AEA papers.

Studying maths will open doors to a range of degree courses and apprenticeships. Students who recently completed their courses with us are now studying for degrees in Mathematics at York, Midwifery at East Anglia, Chemical Engineering at Swansea, Computer Science at Nottingham and Materials Science at Queen Mary, University of London.



A LEVEL

Further Mathematics

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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Further Maths acts as a perfect bridge between A Levels and university education, helping you to develop the skills required to work at degree level in any subject. Encounter fascinating concepts, such as the complex roots of equations, right from the start of our Further Mathematics course. You will study advanced mechanics and statistics, as well as solve intricate problems and explore new mathematical ideas.

You will be taught in two dedicated groups throughout your time at college, one for Maths and one for Further Maths. Our course is structured so that you can learn complex further maths topics from the start of the year, working at a faster pace and at greater depth.

In Year 1, you will study the following compulsory topics from Further Pure Maths: complex numbers, roots of polynomials, matrices and applications, proof by induction, series and the use of vectors to solve problems with lines and planes in 3D. You will also be studying topics from two applied options, Statistics and Mechanics. The statistics and mechanics will develop the ideas introduced in the mathematics course and also bring in some additional topics.

In Year 2 there is a greater focus on the compulsory Further Pure Maths with topics covering: advanced complex numbers, series and calculus methods, polar coordinates, hyperbolic functions and differential equations. In Statistics we study more advanced theoretical probability and hypothesis tests. In Mechanics, we study elastic strings and collisions in 2D.

Students studying both maths and further maths have an excellent choice of careers, many in well paid professions. Further maths is also highly regarded by many top universities for mathematics, science and engineering courses as well as computing and economics. In recent years, students have gone to study Mathematics at Warwick, Mathematics at York, Computer Science at Durham, Biology at Nottingham, Aerospace Engineering at Nottingham and Medicine at Plymouth.



A LEVEL

Media Studies

A level ●○○○

Assessment

- 70% Exam
- 30% Coursework
- Exam Board: EDUQAS

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Our lives have become dominated by screens. What advantages do they present us? And what problems? In an ever-changing world, an ability to analyse the messages, values, and ideologies inherent in media have become ever more important. From how online and social media targets its audience, how television shows construct compelling, challenging narratives, to how news media manipulates its audiences, you will fully engage with a range of issues and perspectives surrounding the media.

In A Level Media Studies, you will focus on textual analysis, representations of people and places, how audiences are influenced, and how media industries are structured. Media Studies is, at its heart, the practice of 'breaking down' media products to work out exactly how they were made, why they were made, and for who they were made. To explore this, you will learn a whole new vocabulary, which will change your perspective forever on how media works, and how it influences the world, for better and for worse!

In addition to the theoretical, discussion-based work completed in the classroom, you will also create media products. This is a very hands-on subject, and you must be prepared to approach a wide range of often challenging ideas and difficult concepts.

Throughout your time on the course, you will study advertising and marketing, newspapers, video games, music video, radio, and film marketing; exploring magazines, television and online media in significant detail. Finally, you will have the opportunity to demonstrate your creative abilities; producing a full-length music video you shoot yourself for an existing song, as well as a tie-in magazine excerpt that promotes your work, learning how to shoot and edit footage to create a compelling, unique project.

Ultimately, Media Studies is ideal for students who love engaging with media and want to take their passion to the next level.



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Media

Extended Certificate ●○○○

Diploma ●●○○

Extended Diploma ●●●●

Assessment

Extended Certificate:

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: UAL

Diploma:

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: UAL

Extended Diploma:

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: UAL

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If you want to develop your creative skills, enjoy playing with images and sound, like working with people and are passionate about film, TV, animation, graphics or radio then this is the course for you!

The main media taught is film & television, but there are many other things you will get the opportunity to try, depending on which of the applied courses interests you...

- The Extended Certificate includes units in Filmmaking, Scriptwriting, Sound & Visual Effects.
- The Diploma includes units in Filmmaking, Scriptwriting, Sound, Podcasts, Cinematography, Visual and Special Effects.
- The Extended Diploma includes units in Filmmaking, Scriptwriting, Sound, Visual and Special Effects, Graphic Design, 3D, Animation, App Design, and your own media product choice.

On the Extended Diploma you will study a wide range of media as well as Film & TV. You will be given a wide range of media briefs, for instance: film poster, podcast, title sequence, and animated sequence. You will have a large degree of choice as to what you make in your Final Major Project, where you will specialise in one specific media area.

No matter what course you choose, our teachers will give you a huge amount of support, so you don't need any prior knowledge.

We have visiting speakers throughout the year and run trips to film festivals, visual effects festivals and cinemas; this Spring we even took our students on a trip to New York!

The majority of our students progress onto university study, but some students move straight into industry. Relevant work experience is key to making this transition and is something we strongly encourage and support all of our students to participate in.



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Music

Extended Certificate ● ● ●

Assessment

- 25% Exam
- 75% Coursework
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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Our Music Extended Certificate gives you a taste of what it is to work in the music industry. As a music student, you will be playing and performing in ensemble groups, both in and out of the college. You will learn the requirements of working within a creative field using a practical approach, while developing your knowledge of the career opportunities that are available in this constantly evolving industry. If you are ultimately aiming to progress into a career in the music or creative sectors then this course is designed for you!

You will develop skills that are valued in all areas of work, such as performance techniques, communication skills and team work. You will have the opportunity to focus on your personal vocal/instrumental technique and then combine your skills with those of others in ensemble rehearsals and performances. The course is taught within excellent purpose-built facilities, equipped with computers with audio and MIDI interfaces, acoustic and electric pianos, PA systems, amplifiers, drum kits and additional percussion. Performances will take place in our professionally lit and sound-engineered music stage.

There is also a wealth of opportunities to explore creative and professional performance opportunities in our many music enrichment programmes, such as open mic events, formal concerts and recording sessions.

Whether you are interested in a future career in music, or are simply passionate about the subject, this course is an excellent choice, giving you transferable skills that are valued by higher education and employers alike.



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Musical Theatre

Extended Certificate ● ● ●

Assessment

- 33% Exam
- 67% Coursework
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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Musical Theatre is a highly practical course, providing you with the necessary skills and opportunities you need to develop into a 'triple threat' performer. The course consists of a combination of rehearsals, performances, reports, journals, and presentations, allowing the Musical Theatre performer to be fully understood.

Key Musical Theatre practitioners will be explored, and a range of repertoire learnt. You will develop your singing technique and jazz dance skills, before learning how to successfully bring together your acting, singing, and dancing skills into a Musical Theatre performance. You will continuously evaluate your skill development and set yourself targets in development journals. This leads onto the performance of a full musical and devising of a Musical Theatre piece in the second year where all of these skills can be put into practise.

You will be expected to take part in Performing Arts enrichment such as choir, dance technique, LAMDA college productions. This will support the development of your performance skills ready for the future!

The professional approach gives you the preparation you need to pursue a Musical Theatre course at a top conservatoire, or a University based course. The course also supports a range of transferable skills to further any career in Performing Arts.



A LEVEL

Photography

A level ● ● ●

Assessment

- 40% Exam
- 60% Coursework
- Exam Board: AQA

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Our A Level Photography course will enable you to create individual, expressive work and introduce you to new skills in both digital and analogue photography. As well as learning new technical skills, including studio lighting and elements of composition, studying photography will develop your understanding of society and culture.

You will be encouraged to be curious and proactive as you learn and explore new ways of thinking. Our teachers are experienced, specialist, staff who are passionate about photography and keen to help you develop your skills and potential. We offer excellent facilities including Mac suites, an industry standard photographic studio and a large, well-equipped darkroom.

Throughout the course, there is an emphasis on developing your creativity through studying the work and techniques of established photographers to use as inspiration in the development of your own projects. The first year of Photography is all about discovery, you will learn to use a range of cameras to take incredible pictures, learn to print your photographs in the darkroom as well as working on Macs using Photoshop software to enhance your digital imagery.

In the second year, you will be expected to reflect on your practical coursework and produce an illustrated essay based on your investigations into your chosen photographic genre.

We offer students an exciting range of enrichment activities, trips to galleries, location shoots, support entering national competitions (which they win!) and regular exhibitions of their work. They benefit from great educational, residential trips, such as the recent trip to New York this Spring, and visiting speakers ranging from industry practitioners to leading university representatives; helping you to make informed choices about your future.



A LEVEL

Physical Education

A level ● ● ●

Assessment

- 70% Exam
- 30% Coursework
- Exam Board: WJEC

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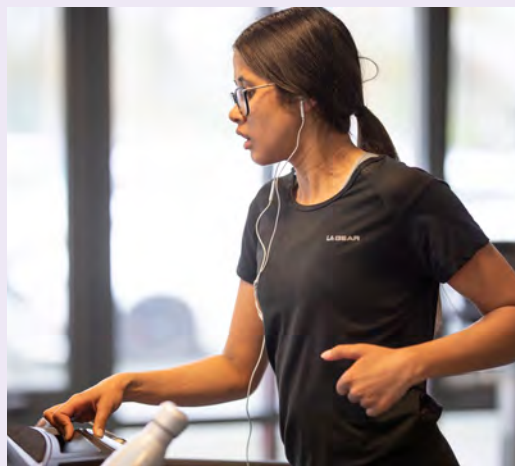


The sports industry is an integral part of modern society and at a professional level is a lucrative business. On our A Level PE course, you will go on a journey that will take you through many different avenues of the sports industry and, in particular, the application of sport science. You will gain an insight into how the body and mind work together to influence sports performance, both positively and negatively.

You will learn by applying your skills, knowledge and understanding to activities that reflect what happens in the real world of sport and exercise science industry, from the importance of physical training for sports performance to the influence of biomechanics in the analysis of individual and team performance. You will also consider the role of nutrition on sports performance, as well as looking at sport and its influence on society throughout history and in the present day.

Choosing one sport to specialise in, through either performing or coaching, you will complete a written project that will analyse and evaluate your performance in order to enhance and develop your ability in your chosen sport. Throughout the course, you will be required to demonstrate and apply your knowledge of the factors underpinning involvement in physical activity and sport.

Teaching is by specialist staff who have the relevant knowledge and experience to support your learning and future progression in the sports industry. By the end of year 2 you will be equipped with the skills and knowledge you need to progress onto university, apprenticeships, employment or further specialist training; opening up a wide range of career opportunities. If you are considering studying degrees such as Physical Education teaching, Physiotherapy, Sport Psychology or Sport and Exercise Science, our course is an ideal preparation.



A LEVEL

Physics

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: OCR

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Physics affects every part of our daily lives, from civil, mechanical, motor and aeronautical engineering, to how we have harnessed both nuclear energy to heat and light our environment, and waves to communicate. In this exciting and challenging subject, you will examine the origins and structure of the universe, from subatomic particles to the vast areas of the cosmos.

In Year 1, you will cover Forces, Motion, Electrons, Waves and Photons. In Year 2, you will cover Newtonian World, Astrophysics, Fields, Particles and Medical Physics. The topics covered build on concepts you learn in your first year, increasing in interest as we explore more challenging aspects of Physics. By the end of the course you will be able to show how gravitational fields change as you move further away from planets, understand how gravity determines the changes in the universe, be able to explain the origins and fate of the universe, and you will know how Einstein's theory can be used to predict the output of energy from fusion and fission reactions.

We place a strong emphasis on developing your practical skills; you will become familiar with SI units and standard prefixes used throughout Physics, and learn the scientific skills of planning, implementing, analysing and evaluating through practical work completed in our Physics laboratory. You will assess errors and the accuracy of your experimental results and make a decision on the validity of your results and the conclusions which you have made.

You will have the opportunity to meet and be mentored by STEM professionals while participating in project days, Engineering Education Scheme projects, lectures and master classes at the University of Cambridge Cavendish Laboratories. Our excellent location on the Cambridge Biomedical Campus means you are in prime position to visit internationally renowned and highly-relevant local STEM companies and research institutions; our Physics students have recently visited the Sanger Institute, TWI, TTP, Amazon, University of Cambridge Engineering Department and the Kavli Institute of Cosmology.

A LEVEL

Politics

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: AQA

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According to MP Edmund Burke (1729-1797) society is 'a partnership not only between those who are living, but between those who are living, those who are dead and those who are to be born', he believed it was vital that knowledge was passed down to different generations.

Politics A Level will allow you to understand and engage with the world around you whilst understanding how we got to where we are. There has never been a more important time to study Politics and to understand the societies in which we live, work and study.

How does the UK government differ from other democratic and non-democratic countries? How well are rights protected in the UK and USA? Vital questions on how democracy functions in the UK and USA and what powers are held by those who govern us are just small parts of the course, alongside wider ideas such as Liberalism, Socialism, Nationalism and Conservatism that have shaped the modern world in both positive and negative ways.

Across both years of the course, we will study political ideologies and both UK and US Politics and government covering democracy, political parties, pressure groups and electoral systems alongside the UK and US Constitutions, Parliament and Congress, Prime Minister and President as well as rights and the role played by the Supreme Courts in both countries. We will study how these systems emerged and how they have changed with recent challenges.

You will have the opportunity to attend a range of trips, talks and workshops by visiting speakers. This year these have included talks from local MPs Anthony Browne and Daniel Zeichner, virtual exchange with American students from Troy High School in Michigan, and even a trip to 10 Downing Street!

This is an excellent subject for anyone looking to study Law, Economics, Politics or International Relations at university and opens doors to career paths in local government or the wider Civil Service. Former students have gone on to have successful careers working with the Welsh Parliament and even setting up and directing "Centre", a cross-party think tank!

Our Politics students had an amazing time on their trip to 10 Downing Street and the Palace of Westminster accompanied by local MP Anthony Browne!



A LEVEL

Psychology

A level ●○○

Assessment

- 100 % Exam
- Exam Board: AQA

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We are all amateur psychologists in that we constantly try to understand the behaviour of people around us. In seeking to understand human behaviour, psychologists look at a range of influences from early childhood experiences and socialisation to biological factors such as genes, hormones and brain structure. These viewpoints will have different implications and issues, which you will seek to understand as a student of psychology, in addition to a range of fascinating topics and research methods.

In Year 1 you will explore social influence, including: conformity, obedience and authority, models of memory and how eyewitness testimony goes wrong, the way children develop attachments to their parents and their impact on later life, and mental illnesses including issues with diagnosis and their treatment. You will study the various approaches to explaining behaviour, how psychology has developed as a science and explore a range of research methods connected to the topics through practical experience.

In Year 2 you will explore four key topic areas: biopsychology, including the brain, nervous system and how sleep works, how schizophrenia is caused and treated, the development of gender identity and forensic psychology, which studies the causes of criminal behaviour and rehabilitation. You will discuss a number of debates within psychology, including the implications of the nature vs nurture debate, research bias and the ethics of psychological research.

While you may not yet know whether you want a career in Psychology, the skills you develop in science, research and writing as part of the course are attractive to any employer, making Psychology a great foundation for a wide range of careers.



Our Psychology students were privileged enough to meet Holocaust survivor, Lidia, and hear her emotional life story on their trip to Poland in the Spring.

LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Psychology

Extended Certificate ●○○

Assessment

- 50% Exam
- 50% Coursework
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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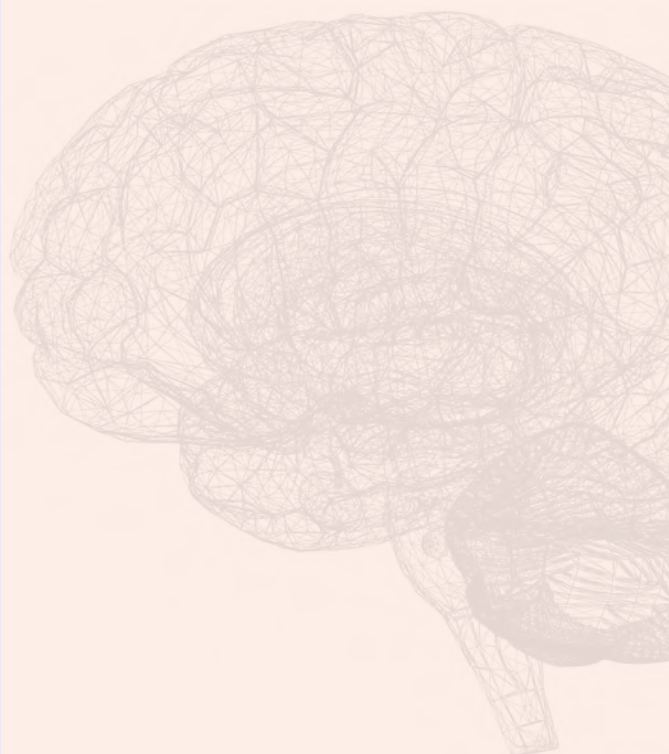


Psychology is the scientific study of the human mind and behaviour. Applied Psychology focuses on how psychology can be used to tackle real world problems and improve people's lives. Unlike A Level Psychology, you will be assessed by both coursework and examinations, meaning your final grade is not based on exams only.

In Year 1, you will explore four key approaches in psychology: Social, Cognitive, Learning and Biological. You will develop your understanding of how psychological research and concepts can explain gender identity, aggression, and consumer behaviour. The exam will require you to apply your knowledge to real world scenarios. The coursework will involve writing a research proposal as well as planning, conducting, and reviewing your own research.

In Year 2, you will study health psychology, building on the knowledge of psychological approaches you developed in year 1. You will look at a variety of topics including theories of health belief, stress and addiction, treatments for these conditions, methods used to persuade people to adopt health behaviours and theories of non-compliance to treatments. Your coursework will focus on forensic psychology; learning about how we can understand crime from a psychological perspective, the effectiveness of punishment and rehabilitation and how to make an offender profile.

Many of our students progress to university, however a significant and growing proportion follow the Degree Apprenticeship route; recent examples including Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship and Degree Apprenticeships at Addenbrooke's Hospital.



A LEVEL

Religion (Buddhism), Philosophy of Religion and Ethics

A level ●○○

Assessment

- 100 % Exam
- Exam Board: EDUQAS

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Does God exist? Why is there suffering? How should we live our lives? Who was Buddha? Why do people meditate? Religion, Philosophy and Ethics A Level explores the variety of answers to these questions from the great thinkers of Buddhism, Philosophy and Ethics.

You will find this course interesting if you are curious about and keen to engage with the beliefs and practices of diverse cultures and societies.

There are three components covered each with their own two-hour exam at the end of the course:

- 1. Buddhism:** This includes the study of key figures, texts and practices including the Buddha, the Dalai Lama, the Pali canon, meditation, and mindfulness. You will also study central concepts and teachings, such as nirvana, karma, and rebirth. You will investigate the impact of historical and social developments in the global spread of Buddhism to Japan, Tibet and Britain as well as analyse issues within Buddhism such as its relationship with modern science and the roles of gender in religion.
- 2. Philosophy of Religion:** Philosophy of Religion covers classical and modern arguments for and against the existence of God, the challenges to religious belief (from psychology and atheism and the problem of evil), the study of religious experience and miracles and the study of religious language as symbol, myth, analogy.
- 3. Religion and Ethics:** You will study religious and secular ethical theories such as Virtue Theory, Natural Law, and Utilitarianism. As you develop and deepen your understanding of these theories you will apply them to moral issues such as immigration, euthanasia, and nuclear deterrence. You will also analyse the scholarly debate about freewill versus determinism.

Our Religion, Philosophy and Ethics course gives you the opportunity to develop your skills in critical thinking and both written and verbal communication which are highly valued by employers. Universities hold this A Level in high regard as the skills developed facilitate entry to a variety of degree courses. You'll find the knowledge and skills learnt on this course useful in many careers including law, education, public services, health care and social work.



A LEVEL

Sociology

A level ●○○

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: AQA

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Sociology is the academic study of social behaviour, attempting to answer questions about why society works the way it does, and why people behave the way they do. Studying sociology is inherently interesting. It gives you the tools to understand behaviour and how the world operates. You will never be the same again!

In Year 1 you will study the role and purpose of education; educational policies, teacher-pupil relationships; and educational achievement of different social groups. You will investigate different sociological views on the role of the family, the changing experience of childhood and relationships between couples. You will also learn about the way in which sociologists study society, and the methods they use to do this.

In Year 2 you will study the causes of crime and why some groups are more likely to break the norms of society than others. You will examine green crime, state crime as well as media representations and influences on crime. You will study the social role of religion, including explanations for the rise of religious extremism, the debate about whether the world is becoming more secular, and new religious movements including cults and sects.

Sociology forces you to look at the world in new ways. You will study theories of key sociologists and have the opportunity for discussion, drawing on your own experiences, opinions, enabling you to relate to relevant sociological ideas and evidence. We make use of outside speakers and arrange trips which have included visits to the universities of Liverpool and Manchester, film screenings and a Crime Conference in which ex-prisoners talked about their offending and experience of prison.

You will develop a range of transferable skills, including the ability to think sociologically, by placing yourself in the shoes of others, developing essay skills of analysis and evaluation and presenting information academically. The study of Sociology at this level can lead to a range of further studies and possible careers, these include: law, police work, journalism, teaching, the medical professions, human resources, social work, management, civil service, probation work and the world of business in general.



A LEVEL

Spanish

A level ● ● ● ●

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: AQA

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Learning a language is an amazing experience, particularly if you enjoy finding out how languages work, discovering patterns, losing yourself in books and films, and learning about new cultures and traveling. As a Spanish A Level student, you will learn the intricacies of the Spanish grammar, giving you a deeper insight in the inner workings of the English language and make you a better communicator.

Your two years of study will focus on the following key objectives; understanding and appropriate reaction to spoken and written language, expressing complex ideas, and the ability to analyse, evaluate and criticise original texts. In addition to being able to understand and interpret both written and spoken language, you will develop your analytical and research.

The qualification consists of four main topics:

- Current trends of the Hispanic society;
- Multiculturalism;
- The political life in the Hispanic world; and
- Art & Culture.

You will develop your listening and reading skills, learning to translate complex texts accurately both from Spanish into English and from English into Spanish. You will study a novel, currently 'Como agua para chocolate', and a film, currently 'Volver', in the original which will evolve your analytical skills as well your capacity to write in Spanish. Finally, you will have the opportunity to conduct and present a research project on a topic of your choosing, allowing your speaking skills to flourish.

Being able to interact with people in their own language will open the doors to a wondrous world of possibilities. With over 400 million Spanish speakers worldwide, the importance of Spanish as a world language is increasingly appreciated.



LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

Sport

Extended Certificate ● ● ● ●

Diploma ● ● ● ●

Extended Diploma ● ● ● ●

Assessment

Extended Certificate:

- 42% Exam
- 58% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

Diploma:

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

Extended Diploma:

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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If you're an enthusiastic fan of sport, whether that be through participating, coaching, volunteering or spectating, this is the course for you! By the end of this course you will have the confidence to plan and lead sport and exercise in practical settings, enhanced communication skills and a range of transferable skills suitable for any career path.

The Extended Certificate comprises of two exams, Anatomy & Physiology and Sports Development, and coursework based units on sports coaching, sports injuries & rehabilitation, and organising sports events. The Diploma & Extended Diplomas are entirely coursework assessed and aimed at those looking for a career within the sports and health sectors. To prepare you for progression in this field, you will study a diverse range of topics including Anatomy & Physiology, Sports Nutrition, Sports Coaching, Sports Psychology, Practical Team Sports, Applied Exercise Physiology, and Training & Fitness. There is a significant and stringent written coursework component in all three Sport qualification options. You will be expected to develop good organisational skills, and be prepared to work independently on coursework tasks alongside the class based learning.

We work closely with senior staff at Cambridge United FC to deliver career workshops and have strong links with ARU Sports & Exercise Science Department who regularly host progression days designed for our students. We attend trips such as the recent strength & conditioning day at St George's Park and walking on the Tottenham Hotspur Stadium roof!

Approximately 50% of our students progress to university, studying a range of courses including Sports Science, Sports Coaching & Teaching, Sports Therapy & Physiotherapy, Sports Marketing & Business, and even bespoke routes like Golf Course Management. Popular institutions include the University of East Anglia, Anglia Ruskin University, Birmingham University, Durham University, Leeds Beckett University and many more.

Our students also progress into sports related careers in coaching, fitness, teaching, management, and healthcare through organisations such as Norwich City FC, Cambridge United FC, Peterborough FC, Cambridge Rugby Club, David Lloyd Leisure, local schools and the NHS.

LEVEL 4

Art Foundation

Assessment:

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: UAL

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This one-year Level 4 qualification is an exciting fast paced course, set up for creative students to develop a bespoke portfolio. The delivery includes twilight sessions enabling students to fully use the technology and equipment in our purpose built studios.

The course focuses on three main areas...

- **Diagnostic Investigation** aims to develop your ability to challenge preconceptions, and to analyse, reflect and extend your skills in using materials, techniques and processes. Through lectures, seminars, studio projects, gallery and museum visits, you will be introduced to a broad range of art and design disciplines.
- **Developing Specialist Practice** allows you to select an area of specialism and complete a series of projects relevant to your progression choice. Support surrounding progression such as UCAS is also offered as part of the course and Learning outcomes.
- **Consolidating Practice** requires you to undertake a final major project and produce a body of work for final assessment and exhibition in an end of year show. Previous shows have been in a range of places such as Fitzwilliam Museum, Kettles Yard and the Round Church.

This course offers international trips to locations such as New York, and gives students the opportunity to learn industry skills and develop high levels of professionalism.

Some graduates have won London based internships from opportunities attached to the course and have progressed on to a range of exciting routes. Others have gained places at leading Universities such as UAL, Goldsmiths, Glasgow, Nottingham Trent, Brighton and overseas, furthering their creative education.

The programme builds on your prior experience, linking skills already acquired with ideas and challenges, which will increase your independence and enable you to demonstrate a full understanding of the relevant standards necessary to progress to Higher Education or to an alternative career path.



LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

Art and Design

Assessment

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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This is an exciting course for students who have or have not completed a GCSE in Art. It is 100% coursework with 6 units delivered across the one-year programme. Students explore a range of specialisms including digital, photography, printmaking, fashion and textiles, graphic design and illustration.

The lessons are delivered in specialist art studios including a Mac suite and traditional darkroom. Lessons are engaging, fun and focus on creative work as well as researching the work of other relevant artists and designers. You will produce sketchbooks where you will document all your practical work and your research.

The Level 2 Art Diploma course is supported with a range of local trips to museums and galleries in Cambridge such as the Archeology and Anthropology Museum, Botanical Gardens and the Fitzwilliam museum. Students also complete a drawing workshop working with The Raptor Foundation who visit us with a selection of different bird species for students to photograph and draw. Students gain valuable support and information for their progression options from their tutors.

Unit project titles are varied working with titles such as 'Collections, Sense of Place and Natural Forms, these allow students the opportunity to respond and explore techniques and specific elements of interest.

This course is ideal for students who may wish to pursue a creative progression in areas such as art, design, fashion, graphics, and photography.



LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

Health and Social Care

Assessment

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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Ever since you were young you have known that you want to work with people, helping them through some of the toughest times in their lives, being the rock they can cling to in the darkest of nights. People come to you when they need reassurance, you don't judge, you don't preach, you are just there to help. If this sounds like you, a career in Health and Social Care may be calling to you. This course will help you to develop the knowledge, skills and values that you will need in order to excel in this interesting and challenging career.

You will complete a number of units as part of the course, such as;

- Communication: the processes and skills of communication and how they apply to a range of people with differing communication needs.
- Creative and therapeutic activities: you will learn how creativity and therapeutic activities can be used to support people with various needs.
- Anatomy and Physiology: how cells, tissues, organs and organ systems all work together, along with what might go wrong and how to care for people who are ill.
- Individual needs: understanding how people's needs vary across a diverse group of people and how to meet these needs in a caring and efficient fashion.

As part of the course, you will undertake 60 hours of Health and Social Care work experience across two weeks. You will set yourself development goals for your time at a work placement and you will review your successes and areas for development in order to refine the skills that you will need as a Health and Social Care professional.

During the year there will be a number of extra-curricular activities for you to participate in, should you wish. In previous years, we have had trips to The Langdon Down museum of Learning disabilities, and hosted visiting speakers and workshops led by staff from Addenbrookes, a range of universities and apprenticeship providers and local social care organisations such as Wintercomfort, Jimmy's and Darwin Nurseries.



LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

IT

Assessment

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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The Internet is an essential part of everyday life used for shopping, communication, leisure, gaming and finding information, to name just a few.

On this course you will learn the skills and knowledge to design, create and test a fully functioning website to meet a client's specification. Through analysis of websites and the exploration of the use of multimedia, you will learn how to effectively use websites to communicate with users and the components needed to aid web accessibility. You will learn how to set up and test mobile communication devices and how to make improvements to the set-up of these devices.

You will also study the features and uses of mobile communication devices and be able to compare different devices. By the end of this one-year course you will understand how businesses use mobile communication, the benefits, and drawbacks this tool brings as well as the social and legal implications of using mobile technologies.

Working as part of a cohesive group, receiving tutorial support and study skills assistance from our specialist staff, you will build the foundations to enable you to be successful on a Level 3 study programme.



LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

Media

Assessment

- 100% Coursework
- Exam Board: OCR

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Are you interested in media production as a possible career? On our Level 2 Media course you will develop the skills needed to work within creative media industries, following professional practices at all times throughout your studies.

This course will allow you to develop your creativity and confidence with two key Adobe applications; Photoshop and Premiere for graphic design work and short video productions of their own.

While on the course, you will complete seven units covering:

- basic video and audio production training
- digital photography, including using a photography studio
- graphic design for a range of print products, including posters and covers
- producing a two-minute video production with a title sequence
- researching the BBC and one of their television programmes

It is mainly a practical course, meaning you will learn about media concepts through producing media artefacts. There are nine sessions a week alongside an English or Maths GCSE retake course.

This course will give you a broad foundation to progress onto one of our Level 3 Media courses for a further two years; with Long Road Alumni going on to achieve careers in Film, Graphic Design and Photography after leaving Long Road.



GCSE: ACCESS TO LEVEL 3

Double Science

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: AQA

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We believe that science has something to offer every student, and that everyone needs some level of relevant scientific understanding. Our course provides a science qualification for Level 2 students, enabling those of all abilities and aspirations to realise their potential.

The course covers all three sciences and has divided the content into two main sections, Biological Science and Physical Science, which make connections between areas of Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

There's no better way to learn about science than through purposeful practical activities as part of day-to-day teaching and learning. Our practicals are clearly laid out in the specification, so you know exactly what's required; are deliberately open, so can be covered in the way that suits students.

This one-year qualification enables you to extend your range of GCSE qualifications to progress to Level 3 courses, gaining the equivalent of two GCSEs. Working as part of a cohesive group, and receiving tutorial support and study skills assistance from our specialist staff, you will build the foundations and skills which will enable you to be successful on a Level 3 study programme.



GCSE: ACCESS TO LEVEL 3

English Language

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: Edexcel

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Our English Language GCSE course is designed for students who have not yet achieved Grade 4 in English GCSE. In all our classes we nurture a caring and supportive culture; course trips enable you to turn your classmates into friends and develop mutual trust which will build your confidence in lessons.

Your teachers will offer additional workshops and one-to-one support to further develop and boost your literacy skills. We balance collaborative group tasks with independent assignments. Our lessons are interesting, structured and varied; teaching methods involve discussions, as a whole class as well as in small groups. You can expect to produce significant amounts of writing in every lesson, which will really develop your literacy.

At the end of the year you will sit two exams focusing on one 19th century literary prose text and two non-fiction 20th and 21st century texts. You will also write one piece of original creative writing and one piece of original transactional writing. Your studies will prepare you for your exams ensuring that you feel confident and well-equipped for the examination period. Throughout the course you will read, analyse and evaluate a range of extracts from 19th century fiction as well as 20th and 21st century non-fiction. You will spend time in lessons practising a range of activities and writing tasks that will develop your approach to imaginative and transactional writing, for example speech writing, letter writing and article writing.

If you have taken Spoken Language in school and have obtained at least a pass grade, you will not need to take it again.

GCSE: ACCESS TO LEVEL 3

Film Studies

Assessment

- 70% Exam
- 30% Coursework
- Exam Board: WJEC

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Film is an important part of many people's lives. GCSE Film Studies is designed to draw on your enthusiasm for film and introduce you to a wide variety of cinematic experiences through films which have been important in the development of film and film technology. On this course you will experience a powerful medium which inspires a range of responses from the emotional to the reflective as you are drawn into characters, their narratives and the issues films raise.

The Film Studies GCSE comprises of three components:

Key Developments in US Film

This component assesses knowledge and understanding of three US films chosen from a range of options. You will study one pair of US mainstream films and one US independent film produced between 1930 – 1960 and 1961 – 1990; using these films to explore key developments in film and film technology.

Global Film: Narrative, Representation and Film Style

This component assesses knowledge and understanding of three global films produced outside the US chosen from a range of options including one global English language film, one global non-English language film and one contemporary UK film.

Production

This component assesses the ability to apply knowledge and understanding of film to a production and its accompanying evaluative analysis. You will produce an evaluative analysis of the production in relation to comparable, professionally-produced films or screenplays.

GCSE: ACCESS TO LEVEL 3

Mathematics

Assessment

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- Exam Board: Edexcel

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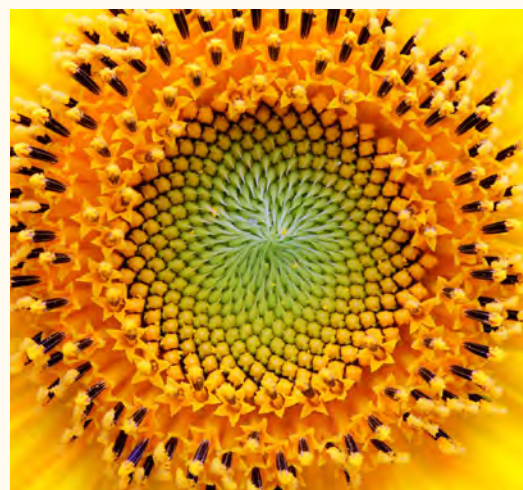
A pass in GCSE Maths is essential for progression onto a wide variety of further study, training or employment. Our highly qualified, supportive and experienced specialist teachers will provide an opportunity for you to redefine your relationship with mathematics, increase in confidence and improve on previous exam outcomes. Our exam results are consistently amongst the best in the country.

Our course emphasises problem solving and mathematical communication to help prepare you for the workplace where the ability to think logically when making decisions and clearly explain reasoning are highly valued skills.

This Maths GCSE course focuses on three key assessment objectives:

- Applying standard techniques - the recollection of facts, formulae and algorithms in order to accurately and efficiently perform a range of calculations.
- Reasoning, interpreting and communicating mathematically—covering the choice of calculations and presentation of structured techniques.
- Solving problems - the selection of appropriate mathematical techniques in order to solve problems in a variety of contexts which may be unfamiliar or novel.

Students who have not yet achieved a Grade 4 in GCSE Mathematics, are required to include a Level 2 Mathematics course in their programme of study.



GCSE: ACCESS TO LEVEL 3

Sociology

Assessment

- 100% Exam
- Exam Board: WJEC

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Sociology is the study of society. It tries to explain how society works, and how it affects peoples' behaviour. Sociologists look at how people live, how they interact with each other, and how social institutions like the family and education system shape their lives.

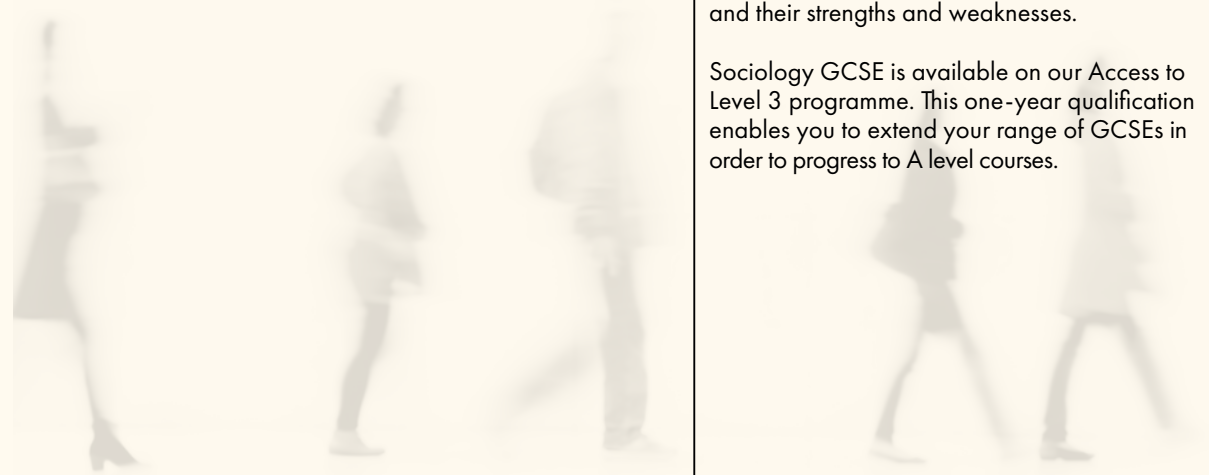
You will consider how human beings acquire their identity and examine the process of passing on culture from generation to generation. This theme is continued through a detailed study of two agents of socialisation: families and education, which will provide you with a deeper, more theoretical understanding of the social world.

You will study why sociologists believe the family is so important and look at changing patterns of family life. You will study the functions of the education system, looking at differences between gender, ethnicity and social class in terms of who does best in our education system.

You will enhance your awareness of the social world through an examination of social structures and their influence on human behaviour. You will learn about the different sociological explanations for the causes of crime such as inequality, poor family life and poverty. You will look at different forms of status and inequality in society such as those linked to gender, class and ethnicity.

You will look at the different types of research methods sociologists use when studying society, and their strengths and weaknesses.

Sociology GCSE is available on our Access to Level 3 programme. This one-year qualification enables you to extend your range of GCSEs in order to progress to A level courses.



Getting to Long Road

The college is located on the south side of Cambridge, adjacent to Addenbrooke's Hospital. We adjoin the Guided Busway route, which allows easy access to the College from Huntingdon, St Ives, Swavesey, the Science Park, Trumpington Park & Ride and Cambridge Station.



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