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# A GUIDE TO 16-18 COURSES IN NEWHAM

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FOR STUDENTS IN  
YEAR 11 AND BELOW

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# ECONOMIC GROWTH AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES IN NEWHAM

**Newham is home to some of the largest and most spectacular developments in Europe. Investment in the borough includes Queen Elizabeth Park and Stratford, Canning Town and Custom House and the Royal Docks (including London's only Enterprise Zone). Newham is London's major regeneration prospect for the next 25 years. Stratford's transformation is unique in London by virtue of the scale of ongoing development.**

The Royal Docks which is one of the UK's most important regeneration stories is re-emerging as a commercial and cultural hub of global significance. Working in partnership with a wide range of stakeholders from local community groups to developers and local businesses, an ambitious £314 million investment programme will be

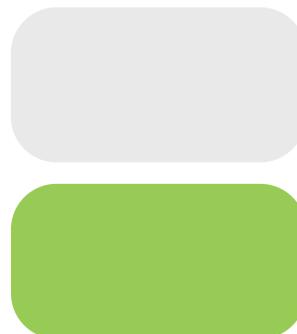
delivered over the next five years and beyond.

Today, the area continues as an important economic centre for London, with industry giants such as Tate & Lyle, ExCeL, London City Airport, and the University of East London. The Royal Docks is also driving innovation across other key sectors including advanced urban services, business and leisure tourism, automotive, digital and tech industries, and cultural and creative production.

Also, East Bank which is a new powerhouse for innovation, creativity and learning will bring world-class institutions to East London, including the BBC, Sadler's Wells, UAL's London College of Fashion, UCL and the V&A in partnership with the Smithsonian Institution, along with an explosion of small businesses and start-ups.

Together they are bringing new types of jobs and opportunities to the area in quantity and quality not seen here before. In total, there is a possibility of 40,000 jobs that could be available by 2025, including spin-offs in the local economy, with a cumulative economic value of more than £5 billion. There is a focus on developing talent and helping people get jobs in the construction and the built environment; digital technology; and the cultural, creative and fashion sectors.

Over the next two decades, Newham will continue to act as a focal point for growth and investment within London. The immense scale of regeneration and development is not only about establishing Newham as a key player on the global stage, it is about securing long term growth and prosperity for future generations.



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# ALL ROUTES AHEAD: HOW TO GET TO THE CAREER YOU WANT

Here is some advice to help you plan your next move after Year 11. Remember: whatever your first choice, make sure you have a back-up plan.

## **If you are in Year 11, you will need to continue in education or training until at least your 18th birthday.**

Studying a course until you are 18 will give you the best chance of developing the skills and gaining the knowledge that employers and universities want.

There are different options for you to choose from at age 16. You can study A levels in sixth forms or at college; study an applied technical programme e.g. BTEC, take up an apprenticeship or traineeship, or study part-time and combine your study with work or volunteering for more than 20 hours per week.

## **Can I work full-time?**

You will still be able to work full-time (more than 20 hours a week) if you want to, or volunteer or even set up your own business. But you will also need to make time to undertake part-time training or study in order to meet the duty to participate – this will allow you to get accredited qualifications.

## **What do I need to do?**

Start thinking about the type of learning or training you need to get you where you want to be in the future. There are a range of choices available to you at age 16, such as A levels; applied qualifications such as BTEC, or apprenticeships. You will have more choice about which route you would like to follow. This includes

more traditional pathways like GCSEs and A levels, applied or technical qualifications and training. Your teachers or the careers adviser at your school or college can help you decide what suits you best. Talk to your school careers coordinator to book a careers interview.

## **Full-time education**

Think about where you want to study. Do you want to study at a large sixth form college or FE college, a smaller school sixth form, or at a small training provider? You can find information about Newham learning centres in this brochure.

There are many different courses at a variety of levels. Your options will depend on your interests, strengths and Year 11 results. If you enjoy studying, do well at exams and are predicted to achieve mainly GCSEs at Grade 5 or above (formerly A\*-B) then AS/A levels could be right for you.

If you are interested in learning about a general career area but are not yet ready to learn about a specific job, then an applied course could be for you. Applied qualifications are Level 3 courses for 16 to 19-year-olds that teach transferable skills. They are for students that want to continue their education through learning applied to a general job area e.g. business administration, health & social care,

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performing arts, arts, crafts, media & publishing. If you are interested in training for a specific job role, there are technical qualifications available at all levels such as ILEX (legal work), AAT (accounts) and IMI (motor industry). Apprenticeships also include opportunities to study for technical qualifications. Applied courses are also available at level 2 for students who are not yet ready to progress to level 3 courses.

## **Apprenticeships**

If you are ready to start your career immediately, an apprenticeship will provide you with a job that offers training as well. You can apply through training providers and directly to employers.

You will need to be interviewed by an employer and possibly pass an assessment test. You will receive payment of a minimum of £3.90 per hour as well as having the opportunity to gain qualifications. If you need more qualifications or experience before starting an apprenticeship, then you might wish to consider a traineeship.

## **Frequently asked questions (FAQs)**

*I need help deciding what I should do.*

**Where do I even start?**

The first thing you need to do is not worry! Careers advisers in your school have a broad knowledge of all the options. Based on your talents and individual needs, they will be able to help you make the best decision for you. Most of the learning centres in this brochure have course advisers who will be happy to talk to you. Please contact the centre directly to find out more.

For more information on specific careers and the qualifications and skills needed for them, visit the National Careers Service website.

*I know exactly what I want to do.*

**How do I apply?**

You need to check the application information and any deadlines on your chosen learning centre's website/s. Make sure that you complete the application fully and obtain references from your school. Your school will then advise you about submitting applications.



## What happens next?

If you meet the requirements for your chosen course and it is not oversubscribed, you will be offered a place. You may be asked to come in to discuss your application further. You will be able to ask questions and get advice to help you make the best choice for your future. If you are successful in your application, you will need to enrol formally in August or September 2021. All offers of places are made subject to availability and are sometimes subject to you achieving your predicted grades. If you do not achieve your predicted grades, get in touch with the college or learning centre as soon as possible to see if they will still accept you on the course or have another option available.

## Late enrolments – it may not be too late!

The earlier you apply, the more options you will have. However, if you've missed the enrolment date, there may still be a chance to get a place on a course. Enrolments generally continue for two weeks after the start of the course, and this can be extended in some cases. The best thing to do is contact the learning centre to find out more.



## Where do Newham's young people go?

**Catherine** Completed A levels in Biology (A), Chemistry (B) and History (A) after joining NewVic from St Angela's Ursuline School in Newham. My qualifications will definitely open a lot more doors for me and give me greater opportunities with my degree choice, which I researched more thoroughly during lock-down. Offered a place at Middlesex University to study Veterinary Nursing.



**Bhoomi** achieved a Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sports (D\*D\*D\*) after joining NewVic from Stratford Academy. My teachers really pushed me to do extra work for me to go to the highest grade in all my units. I'll miss all the opportunities at NewVic. I took part in the leadership Academy with the Sports Academy and achieved 2 coaching badges and met different people to gain new skills. Offered a place at University of Hertfordshire to study Sports Therapy.



**Raky Ann** Studied at Sarah Bonnell and is currently doing a L3 Applied Science National Diploma. She is hoping to go to University to undertake a degree in science and pursue a career in Scientific research.





# INFORMATION

for young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), and for those helping them



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# Leaving school to start the next stage of your life is very exciting, but it can also be an anxious time when careful decisions and choices have to be made that help you to fulfil your dreams and aspirations.

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You will be thinking about the future and what you would really like to do. You will need to look into which courses or training are available and if you have a physical disability, a learning disability or perhaps both, you will also want to know about student support services that will enable you to get on with your learning.

## What do I do next?

- 1** Once you have found a course that is of interest, you can find out more by contacting the college, sixth form or other learning provider to arrange a visit. You will find contact details in this directory. Explain that you need to know about student support services and ask if you can meet the course tutor and someone from Student Support Services.
- 2** When you visit remember that this is your opportunity to find out about the course and for the course tutor to find out about you. The course tutor will know the course well and be able to offer you their best

advice. It is important to listen carefully; you are making an important decision and it has to be the right one for you now and for your future plans.

- 3** When you speak to Student Support Services or the course tutor, explain the support that you have had in the past and how this has helped you with your studies. Let them know if you have an Education, Health and Care plan (EHC plan).

## Some good advice

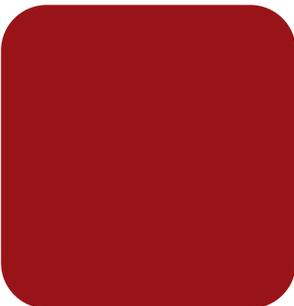
- Advice and guidance is very important. There are people available to help you in school. It is really important to work with them.
- Listen to the course tutors that you will meet. If for some reason it is felt that the course is not the right one for you, do not be too disappointed. This happens to everyone at some time and it is very important that you start the right course.
- Whatever you choose to study, remember that it does not matter if your learning takes

small steps or larger ones, what matters is that you are working towards what you would like to do in the future, remembering that along the way we sometimes do change our mind about what that is!

- You are used to being at school for five days every week and you may now find that some courses or training are for only one, two or three days. Try not to let that worry you or those close to you. Your spare days are an opportunity to do something else that interests you which could be another course at the same place. Speak to the people who are helping you for advice and guidance.
- Lastly, enjoy yourself and your learning.

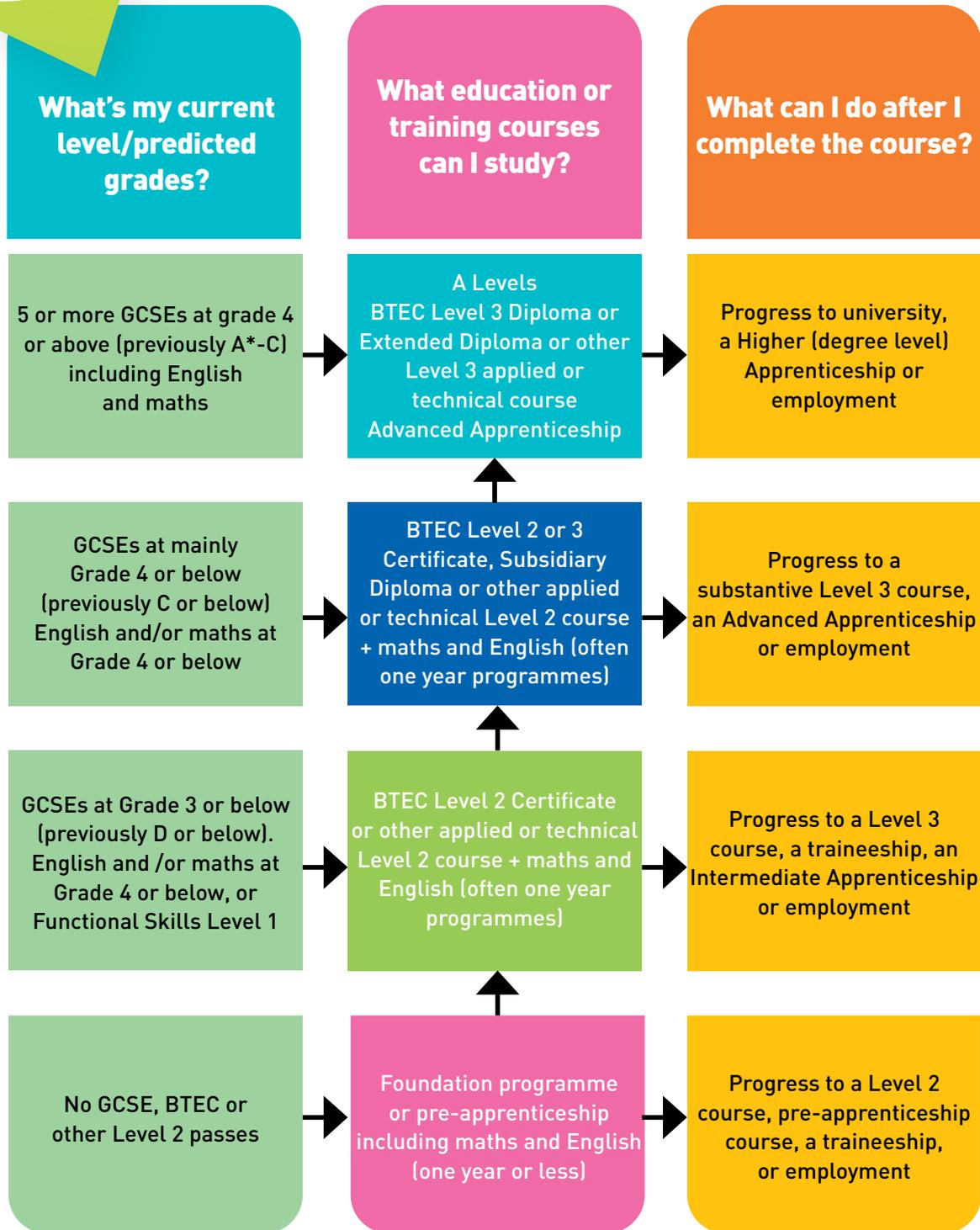
To find out about a wide range of services available for young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities, please visit [www.families.newham.gov.uk](http://www.families.newham.gov.uk)

# WHAT LEVEL IS RIGHT FOR ME?



If you don't achieve a minimum of a Grade 4 at GCSE or a Level 2 pass in Functional Skills in maths and English by age 16, you will need to continue studying maths and/or English as part of your post-16 study programme.

# What level is right for me?



There will be specific entry requirements for individual subjects and courses, and some subjects have higher entry requirements than others

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# APPRENTICESHIPS

There has never been a better time to start an apprenticeship.

Apprenticeship participation now stands at a record level - there were 393,400 apprenticeship starts in the 2018 to 2019 academic year of which 97,700 (25%) were under 19.

Apprenticeships give you the opportunity to work for a real employer alongside experienced staff. You will earn a wage and gain qualifications as well as valuable workplace experience and relevant job-specific skills. Apprentices are also given time for study related to their role (the equivalent of one day a week).

## Why apply?

- Earn a real wage;
- Be trained in the skills employers want;
- Set yourself up for the future - apprentices enjoy marked salary increases when they complete their training, and those completing a higher apprenticeship could see increased earnings of an estimated £150,000 over their lifetime.\*

## What types of apprenticeship are there?

All apprenticeships include elements of on the job and off the job training, leading to industry recognised standards or qualifications. Some apprenticeships also require an assessment at the end of the programme to assess the apprentice's ability and competence in their job role.

Apprenticeships are available at different levels:

- **Intermediate Apprenticeships** - equivalent to GCSE (Level 2)
- **Advanced Apprenticeships** - equivalent to A Level (Level 3)
- **Higher Apprenticeships** - equivalent to Foundation degree and above (Levels 4, 5, 6, 7)
- **Degree** - equivalent to a Bachelor's or Master's degree

## How long is the Apprenticeship training?

Apprenticeships take between one and four years

to complete and cover more than 1,500 job roles in a wide range of industries, from engineering to financial advice, veterinary nursing to accountancy. The Government is committed to increasing the number of apprenticeships in the UK over the next few years, so there has never been a better time to get involved.

## How old do you have to be?

Anyone living in England aged 16 and over who is not in full-time education can apply to be an apprentice. If you feel you are not ready for an apprenticeship yet, you may want to try a traineeship.

### Farheen, Participation & Engagement Facilitator, Newham Council

This apprenticeship has provided me with the perfect opportunity to learn, develop and progress and giving back to the community that I live in. The ability to secure a qualification which further supports my understanding of the role within this apprenticeship, has allowed me to personally progress with unlimited prospects and a bright future. My role as a participation and engagement facilitator allows me to put my current skills to practise and develop some skills such as confidence when having regular meetings with residents.



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## Entry requirements

Apprenticeships are available to anyone over the age of 16, living in England and have no upper age limit. The National Apprenticeship Service is committed to ensuring that high quality apprenticeships are a prestigious option, accessible to all people from all backgrounds. All vacancies on [Find an apprenticeship](#) will clearly state what the entry requirements are for the job role being advertised.

There will be different entry requirements depending on the industry, job role and apprenticeship level.

If your predicted grades at GCSE don't meet the entry requirements for the apprenticeship you are interested in, you can apply for a Traineeship. Recent changes to the minimum English and maths requirements now mean that people with a learning difficulty or disability can now access a Level 2 intermediate apprenticeship as long as they can achieve an entry Level 3 qualification during their apprenticeship.

A Disability Confident Employer will generally offer an interview to any applicant that declares they have a disability and meets the minimum criteria as defined by the employer. For more details, search Disability Confident on [GOV.UK](#).

## How much do you get paid?

The minimum wage for apprentices is £4.15 per hour from April 2020, but many employers pay more than this. The Apprenticeship Pay Survey 2018 estimated the average mean hourly pay received by apprentices in Great Britain was £7.70 an hour for Level 2 and 3 apprentices which is equivalent to over £16,000 per year. This is dependent on the sector, region and apprenticeship level. Your employment will normally be a minimum of 30 hours per week.

## Training

During your time as an apprentice you will receive training to enable you to gain nationally recognised qualifications which will help advance you in your chosen career. Apprenticeships are designed with the help of employers, so they offer a structured programme that takes you through the skills you need to do a job well.

### Sahl Assistant Accountant Apprentice

“Few years back I was working in the private sector as pharmacy assistant and then became a pharmacy manager. Although I have gained valuable skills in managing a business to certain extent I did not acquire management or Finance qualifications. When I came across LBN AAT apprenticeship it appealed to me because it will help me achieve the AAT accounting qualification while have transferable skillsets E.g. communication across a wide range of levels in which I did not obtain in my previous roles and using IT systems efficiently and effectively. I have completed a paper of the ACCA alongside the apprenticeship and aiming to complete the full ACCA qualification in next coming years. Although the apprenticeship requires self-discipline and motivation it is a rewarding choice as it is a stepping stone for further advancement. I would personally recommend as a good option.”



## What's on offer?

Large, multi-national organisations to medium and small enterprises offer apprenticeships in a variety of sectors, including:

- Retail and commercial enterprise
- Construction, planning and the built environment
- Engineering and manufacturing technologies
- Leisure, travel and tourism
- Art, media and publishing
- Business, administration and law
- Information and communication technology
- Health, public services and care
- Education and training.

There are more and more apprenticeships becoming available each year at different levels, and employers including B.T, the BBC, Glaxo Smith-Kline, Lloyds Banking Group, MoD Army, Newham Council, NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT), Royal Air Force,

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Royal Navy, Starbucks, Travis Perkins, and TfL offer apprenticeship routes into their organisations.

A number of large organisations have replaced their graduate entry routes with higher or degree entry apprenticeship routes for applicants with Level 3 (A Level equivalent qualifications).

### **Apprenticeships within Newham Council**

An apprenticeship at Newham Council offers Newham residents the opportunity to gain new skills and qualifications while working. Apprentices earn while they learn during the two year programme and receive support to help them build their confidence and launch a successful career.

They receive off the job training once a week to work towards either a level 2 or 3 qualification related to their job role. They also receive practical experience and work alongside experienced professionals who will help shape their professional development. Candidates don't need any formal qualifications to apply for many of our apprenticeships. An English and Maths assessment is part of the recruitment process. Email [apprenticeships@onesource.co.uk](mailto:apprenticeships@onesource.co.uk) to register your interest for future upcoming vacancies.

### **Where to look for an apprenticeship?**

If you are in Year 11 and interested in an apprenticeship, there are several ways you can find out more.

More information, including videos of current apprentices, is available at [apprenticeships.gov.uk](http://apprenticeships.gov.uk). You can search and apply for vacancies on Find an apprenticeship on [GOV.UK](http://GOV.UK). Once registered on Find an apprenticeship, email and text alerts can be set up about new apprenticeship vacancies which may be of interest.

If you would like to view more information on a selection of well-known employers you can visit the vacancy snapshot at [amazingapprenticeships.com](http://amazingapprenticeships.com). It displays a range of employer fact files outlining the types of apprenticeship vacancies available at these companies across the year. If you have a specific interest in a certain employer, it is also worth going direct to their recruitment site.

You could also meet employers and their apprentices through the amazing apprenticeships



live broadcast feature. In these interviews, you can take a look behind the scenes of a range of different employers and meet some of their apprentices [amazingapprenticeships.com/live-broadcasts](http://amazingapprenticeships.com/live-broadcasts)

Contact the National Apprenticeship Helpdesk for further support on 0800 015 0400 or by email: [nationalhelpdesk@findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk](mailto:nationalhelpdesk@findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk).

The Apprenticeship YouTube channel has useful hints and tips on applying plus other videos on apprenticeships, visit [YouTube](https://www.youtube.com) and search apprenticeships/NAS.

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For information and guidance visit [www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch](http://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch) where you can download:

- How to write a winning apprenticeship application
- Progress your career with higher apprenticeships
- Apprenticeship support guide

If you want to find out more about apprenticeship opportunities and training in Newham, you can contact local apprenticeship training providers.

Newham College  
[www.newham.ac.uk/apprenticeships](http://www.newham.ac.uk/apprenticeships)  
London Skills for Growth  
[www.skillsforgrowth.org.uk/apprenticeships](http://www.skillsforgrowth.org.uk/apprenticeships)  
Building Crafts College  
[www.thebcc.ac.uk/apprenticeships](http://www.thebcc.ac.uk/apprenticeships)  
**for apprenticeship vacancies in construction and the built environment**

Newham Council offer apprenticeships each year to local residents aged 16-30. The Council pays the London Living Wage of £10.55 per hour, and there are a range of apprenticeship vacancies available. Check the Newham Council website regularly to see when applications for apprenticeship vacancies in 2020 will open [www.newham.gov.uk/apprenticeships](http://www.newham.gov.uk/apprenticeships)

### How to apply?

At any one time on Find an apprenticeship, in a variety of careers and industries across England, there are between 12,000 - 20,000 apprenticeship vacancies online available at [gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](http://gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship). You can search by keyword (job role, occupation type or apprenticeship level) and by location. In addition, some employers advertise vacancies on their website.

Once the right job comes up, simply register on the website and follow the step by step instructions to apply for the role.

You can talk to your school careers adviser about apprenticeships and they will support you in making apprenticeship applications.

If you find an apprenticeship vacancy that you want to

### Ismaeel, Trainee Accountant, London Borough of Newham

"I saw the apprenticeship programme as a great alternative to university. It provided me with an option to train while learning and was an opportunity to professionally practice accountancy principles in a working environment which helped me to develop into an effective trainee accountant."



apply for, but your predicted grades at the end of Year 11 don't meet the entry criteria, we recommend that you apply for a traineeship first. A Traineeship is a stepping stone to help you to boost your qualifications and work experience in order to successfully apply for an apprenticeship.

### Further Support

Additional financial support is available for care leavers starting apprenticeships. A £1,000 bursary is available to support care leavers who are aged 16-24, this will be paid directly to them in the first year of the apprenticeships. If you need help with your apprenticeship application or professional advice on making the right choices, visit [nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk](http://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk) for a web-chat with an adviser or call 0800 100 900 (free from landlines and mobiles).

### Other benefits

Did you know that apprentices are entitled to an NUS card? This is issued through the National Union of Students and gives you discounts at a number of retailers and services. You may also be entitled to apply for an Apprenticeship Oyster Travelcard, which allows you to claim up to 30% off adult travelcards and bus and tram season tickets.



# Traineeships

A traineeship is real work experience with training that focuses on giving young people the skills and experience employers are looking for.

If your predicted grades don't meet the entry criteria for the apprenticeships that you are interested in, or if you have been unsuccessful when applying for an apprenticeship then you are likely to be a good candidate for a traineeship.

## What is a traineeship?

Traineeships are an opportunity to gain real work experience, job skills and improve your English and maths, if needed.

The programme can last up to a maximum of six months with the content tailored to your individual career needs.

At its core are a high-quality work experience placement, work preparation training, and English and maths if needed

## Is a traineeship right for me?

Traineeships are ideal if you are motivated to get an apprenticeship or job but lack the entry grades, skills and experience that employers are looking for.

If your predicted grades don't meet the entry criteria for the apprenticeships that you are interested in, or if you have been unsuccessful when applying for an apprenticeship or other job due to a lack of skills and experience then you are likely to be a good candidate for a traineeship.

You could be suitable if you will be aged 16 at the time that you apply, are motivated to work, have little work experience, and are qualified below Level 3 (A Level).

- Motivated to work.
- Have little work experience.
- Aged between 16-24 and qualified below Level 3.

## What are the benefits of a traineeship?

Traineeships have been developed in response to research showing that young people frequently lack the knowledge and experience employers expect in the workplace.

## Traineeships will help to tackle this problem, while benefiting you in the following ways:

- The opportunity to build your CV and get valuable work experience with local and national employers, where you are able to learn about the business and the industry it operates in.
- Work preparation training will put you in a better position to compete for an apprenticeship or other employment.
- Maths and English support, if needed, to help you with the literacy and numeracy skills needed to boost your career prospects, as well as improving your long-term chances and earning potential over your lifetime.
- Employers are at the centre of the work experience, which ensures you are 'work ready', and have the confidence to take the first step to securing employment and kick starting your career.
- At the end of your work experience you'll get an interview with the company if a role is available or an exit interview, together with meaningful written feedback, to help you secure an apprenticeship or other employment.



“Traineeships are a great opportunity for both parties. Not only can the employer get to know the trainee but the trainee can get real exposure to the type of career that is available and make an informed decision that is best for them.”  
**Chris Starling,  
Head of  
Apprenticeships,  
Virgin Media**



“My traineeship has given me the chance to improve my technical skills and show my determination to succeed. The support I have received has been brilliant, with regular reviews and updates on my progress.”  
**Jake completed a  
traineeship with  
Virgin Media and  
has now progressed  
to an intermediate  
apprenticeship.**

### Will I be paid?

Employers are not required to pay you for taking part in a traineeship but may support you with expenses such as transport and meals. The work placement is a real opportunity to gain meaningful work experience.

Depending on your individual circumstances, you may be able to access financial support from your training provider, for travel costs or if you need extra support due to a disability.

### How do I find a traineeship?

Now that you’ve determined a traineeship could be the right route for you, there are two options available:

1. Traineeship opportunities are advertised regularly on Find a Traineeship on [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk).
2. Contact your local colleges or training providers and find out more about traineeships. In Newham, Newham College, Skills for Growth, and Newtec all offer traineeships.

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# FINANCIAL SUPPORT AND HELP

If you are under 19 and have been resident in the UK for three years or more, full-time 16-19 education fees are FREE (this is subject to eligibility and status)

[www.gov.uk/education/funding-for-16-to-19-year-olds-in-schools](http://www.gov.uk/education/funding-for-16-to-19-year-olds-in-schools) Fees will be charged for commercial or higher education courses, and international students have to pay fees on all courses.

While you may not have to pay tuition fees, you might have other expenses to consider such as exam fees and the cost of materials for your course.

## 16-19 bursary fund

You could get a bursary to help with education-related costs if you are aged 16 to 19 and:

- **studying at school or college (not university) in England**
- **on a training course, including unpaid apprenticeships.**

Students most in need may be eligible to receive a bursary of £1,200 a year. This group includes young people who are:

- **in care or have recently left local authority care**

- **receiving income support**
- **disabled and receive an Employment and Support Allowance (ESA), and either Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or a Personal Independence Payment (PIP) in their name.**

## Discretionary bursary

Other students facing genuine financial difficulties may be awarded a bursary to help with the costs of travel, books or equipment. Bursaries may also be paid in kind.

Bursaries are paid on achievement of criteria such as attendance, punctuality and progress. Education and training providers decide on a student's eligibility for bursaries; they also administer the bursaries and payments.

If you need financial support, speak to your student support service or tutor to find out more, or visit the 16-19 bursary fund website [www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund](http://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund)

## Care to Learn – help with childcare while you learn

Care to Learn is available to young people under the age of 20 who

have one or more children and participate in learning and training (not in employment), on a publicly funded course in England. If you live in London you may be awarded up to £175 per child per week to assist with childcare costs. For more information, please visit [www.gov.uk/care-to-learn](http://www.gov.uk/care-to-learn)

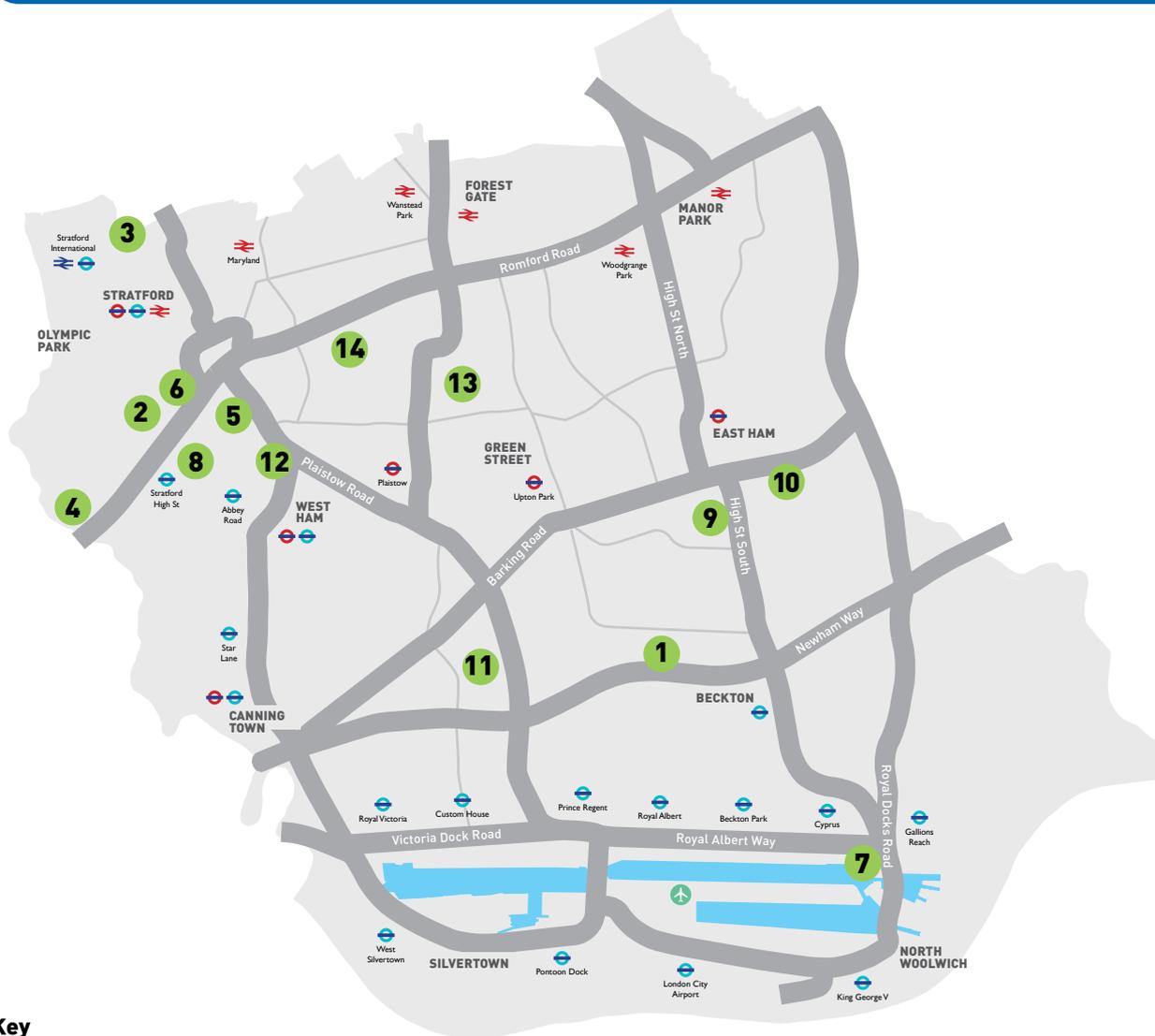
## Other awards and allowances

You could get a Dance and Drama Award (DaDA) to help with fees and living costs at one of 19 private dance and drama schools. Contact the school you want to go to and tell them you want to apply for a DaDA. You must be 16 or over and show talent and a likelihood to succeed in the industry.

If you are gifted and talented in specific subjects, such as sports, music and art, there are charitable organisations who you could apply to for funding. Information on such organisations is listed at public libraries, or you can speak to a careers adviser.

For more information, please visit <https://www.gov.uk/dance-drama-awards>

# MAP OF LEARNING CENTRES



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# BRAMPTON MANOR ACADEMY

## SIXTH FORM

### Subjects

Biology  
Chemistry  
Computer science  
Economics  
English literature  
Fine art  
French  
Geography  
German  
History  
Maths and further maths  
Physical education  
Physics  
Politics  
Psychology  
Religious studies  
Sociology  
Spanish

**“Brampton Manor Academy Sixth Form is one of the country’s leading A level providers. We offer only academic A levels and provide excellent teaching and guidance that enables the vast majority of our students to progress to the most prestigious Russell Group universities in the UK. If you’ve got a dream, we’ll help make it a reality.”**

*Dr Dayo Olukoshi OBE,  
Executive Principal*

Brampton Manor Academy Sixth Form offers distinctive, academic provision within Newham. We deliver a rich programme of A level teaching in a wide range of subjects for students who aspire to achieve the high grades required for admission to the UK’s top universities. Brampton Manor Academy is a highly successful school, having been rated by Ofsted as “Outstanding” in all areas in 2018.

Our amazing 2019 AS/A level results are an indication of the quality of our teachers, many of whom are Oxbridge and Russell Group graduates. Our teachers will leave

no stone unturned in ensuring that you succeed.

We offer excellent curriculum resources with top quality accommodation in all curriculum areas, all fully resourced with the learning materials and equipment needed for outstanding teaching and learning.

Further, we provide a bespoke programme of extracurricular activities, ranging from yoga to debating, to enrich your personal development. Many of our students attend summer schools with leading universities, including Oxford, Cambridge, Bristol and UCL. All students undertake work experience in a field of their choice in the summer term.

Our sixth form is academically selective and students are taught in average class sizes of 20. Sixth form teaching takes place in our dedicated 6th form centre comprising of 25 teaching rooms (including four science laboratories), a large study centre and a large student common room with cafeteria. The centre has its own

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Level 3 | A Level



outdoor area with picnic tables and our sixth formers have priority use of the adjacent tennis courts, cricket nets and other sports facilities.

We offer you our track record as a school:

→ **Our Russell Group progression rate, which was 75% in 2019, has ranked in the top 10 in the whole of the United Kingdom for the past three years,** with students going to great universities like Oxbridge, LSE, UCL, Imperial, Warwick, Bristol and Durham.

→ **Our students achieved fantastic results at A level in 2019 with two thirds of all grades awarded either an A\* or an A.** Over 100 students achieved straight A grades or above across their A levels.

→ **We are in the top 1%** of schools in the country for student progress from KS4-KS5, achieving the highest progress score in Newham for the past four years.

→ **38 of our students progressed to Oxford and Cambridge Universities** to study highly competitive courses like

medicine, law and economics in 2019 - the highest of any local provider and amongst the best in the country.

We offer you academic success and the opportunity to develop the skills and qualities needed for university admissions, alongside first class UCAS guidance provided by our dedicated university access officers, who are graduates of Oxford and Cambridge universities. Alongside the high academic success you will achieve at Brampton, our most defining feature is the care and support we provide our students. We treat all students as individuals and do all we can to help you achieve success in whatever field you wish, enabling you to have an enjoyable and rewarding two years.

↓ **Find out more**

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# BUILDING CRAFTS COLLEGE

## Subjects

Construction

**“The range of opportunities now being created for the pursuit of careers in the building, crafts and conservation related industries is unprecedented in recent times. The Building Crafts College helps provide students with access to those employment opportunities by offering a range of courses and skills-based qualifications ranging from apprenticeships in carpentry, joinery and stonemasonry to diplomas in fine woodwork and furniture making. The college is seeing a significant increase in demand as prospective students**

**reassess their priorities and their career and life choices.”**

*David Dowdles, Principal*

Every student is placed under the direction of a nominated course tutor, who is responsible for all aspects of that individual’s training and welfare. Other members of staff will support the learner in meeting individual’s needs, but the nominated tutor combines the traditional role of the master craftsman with that of a mentor, to advise and guide students at every stage of their development. The college is essentially practically based. The majority of time is spent



Level 3	NVQ/Diploma	Vocational	Advanced Apprenticeships
Level 2	NVQ/Diploma	Vocational	Intermediate Apprenticeships
Level 1	Construction Multiskills programme		



**Building  
Crafts College**  
Crafting Excellence

in the workshop environment, whilst much of the theory and underpinning knowledge is imparted in small groups around the work bench. Lecture rooms, with modern IT and projection facilities, are used for more structured, theoretical instruction, with a library also available as a quiet room for personal study. All students have access to the college computer system for course work.

The college is fully committed to providing equality of opportunity and celebrating difference. We strongly believe that all of our students are capable of progressing in their chosen subjects, to become a master craftsman, a construction manager, or a technical expert in their field. When students enrol at the Building Crafts College, they become our learners regardless of their background or prior achievement. They receive our support and commitment to achieve their full potential.

We are immensely proud of our many learners who have gone on to work for top employers in the built environment, craft and heritage sectors, or to establish their own businesses.



Students can progress through our Level 1 and 2 courses in carpentry and joinery, construction or stonemasonry on to Level 3 courses in the same subjects. At age 18 you can progress on to full time programmes in fine woodwork and furniture making. Evening classes are available in woodwork, stonemasonry and wood carving.

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# CHOBHAM ACADEMY

## Subjects

Business, economics and computing

CTEC - Business Studies and Sport

English literature and modern foreign languages - Spanish and Mandarin

Humanities

Performing arts

Sports

Science and mathematics

**“Our sixth form students have achieved amazing successes since we opened; we are all immensely proud of them.”**  
*Michael Whitworth, Principal*

Life in the sixth form is a very special time for students for many reasons. The core values of Chobham Academy, namely excellence, respect, integrity, innovation, collaboration, are mirrored within our sixth form; we combine the traditional values of excellent behaviour and smart attire with great teaching, academic excellence and the best of modern technology. Sixth-form students at Chobham Academy enjoy a dedicated ICT suite, study room and panoramic roof terrace as well as a sixth form cafe.

Our sixth form offers the opportunity to study on an A level pathway or a technical pathway and the Football Academy was launched in 2018. 2019 also welcomes West Ham Girls Academy to the Sixth Form. Students we are able to make use of cutting-edge facilities, including a theatre and box office, dance studio, Mac suite and recording studio and excellent sporting facilities.

In the seven years since opening, our students have enjoyed many notable successes as highlighted by our 2019 A level and destinations results:

- **Proportion of students studying an undergraduate degree at university - 80%.**



## What is it like to study here?

“No matter what subjects you’re doing or what career pathway you want to follow, the teachers give you the support and opportunities that will allow you to follow your dreams.” *Tracey*



- Proportion of students studying an undergraduate degree at a top 50 university - 41%.
- Many have secured places to study at the most prestigious universities in the country, including Imperial College London, UCL, the LSE and King’s College London.

Chobham Academy is part of the Harris Federation, which for the first time in 2015 established a bursary for gifted but disadvantaged students who have gained places at Russell Group Universities. Chobham is included in the Harris Experience Advanced Years 12-13 Programme (HEA). HEA is a Russell Group application programme providing expert guidance and individually-tailored

academic opportunities for our most able sixth formers.

In addition to these academic successes, our students have had access to a wide range of external speakers and careers advice. Students received visits from many outside organisations such as Pathways, UEL, Mark Evison Foundation, Unifrog, NCS, Holocaust Educational Trust, London Borough of Newham Workplace, UCL, Fix Up and Royal Holloway.

Chobham Academy, a Healthy School (Bronze award, 2017) was in June 2015 judged by Ofsted to be an ‘Outstanding’ school and the sixth form was also judged as ‘Outstanding’. Ofsted wrote that “[sixth form students] benefit from an extensive range

of highly effective teaching and learning opportunities. There are opportunities to complete high quality work placements and participate in a carefully planned personal development programme.”

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# EAST LONDON SCIENCE SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

## A-level subject list:

Biology  
Chemistry  
Computer science  
Economics  
English Literature  
Further Mathematics  
History  
Mathematics  
Philosophy  
Physics



**Building on the success of the East London Science School, ELSS sixth form opened its doors in September 2018. The sixth form provides a high quality A-level education aimed at creating the engineers, medics and scientists of the future. East London Science School has already built strong relationships with Oxbridge Colleges and many of the Russell Group Universities. We want to provide our sixth formers the widest range of opportunities to continue their education at prestigious institutions as well as outstanding apprenticeships.**

## Our Curriculum Offer

Mathematics, biology, chemistry and physics A-levels are at the heart of our sixth form curriculum. All pupils studying A-levels will study mathematics with us. Mathematics A-level is perhaps the single defining feature of a well-educated student. Having A-level mathematics increases the breadth of degree courses to which you can apply. It is essential to have A-level mathematics if you wish to pursue a degree in the sciences or engineering.

The sixth form provides pupils with the opportunity to study four



To stand on the shoulders of giants.

A-level subjects with a guaranteed teaching allocation of 5 hours per week for each subject. Subject specialists will teach above and beyond the A-level specifications in order to prepare students for university life and to engage and inspire students in the subjects they have chosen.

### Careers and Enrichment

Year 12 is a year packed full of opportunities for personal growth and development. In order to help you better understand your motivations and aptitudes, you are offered a 50 minute careers interview at the beginning of autumn term. An Action Plan will be produced for the year that will guide your choices of independent enrichment activities and internship opportunities.

Beyond 18 Week is five days of off-timetable talks and workshops from employers, apprenticeship providers, gap year organisations and universities. This is when you begin to write your initial personal statement for UCAS, have a mock Oxbridge-style interview and begin the search for opportunities over the summer holiday.



In the school calendar for year 12 is:

- UCAS Exhibition at ExCel
- University and Apprenticeship
- Search Fair at Emirates Stadium
- Volunteering to provide 1-2-1 tuition to lower school pupils
- Sixth Form Debating Society
- Careers drop in workshops and lunchtime seminars
- AQA Extended Research Project

**The sixth form is built around ELSS's central ethos that all pupils deserve a high quality education. Our teachers are extremely passionate about their subjects and will demand the attitude to learning that will**

**deliver top results. The sixth form is the final step in fulfilling the school's vision of creating intelligent and confident pupils that go on to make an impact in the world.**

*David Perks*  
*East London Science School*  
*Principal*

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# JOHN F KENNEDY SCHOOL

## Subjects

Functional skills  
Vocational skills  
World studies  
Independent living skills  
Sport and physical activity

Special Needs Academy



**“At John F Kennedy school we offer a continuation of high quality learning for young people with complex learning needs.”**

*Diane Rochford, Executive Headteacher*

We offer a small allocation of post 16 places within our 4-19 school. Our post 16 provision is delivered at both our Beckton and Stratford campuses. The main focus of our curriculum is to develop communication skills and to support developing independence.

We offer structured teaching and learning approaches within our Autism Spectrum Condition

[ASC] provision, supported by symbolic communication strategies (the Picture Exchange Communication System – PECS). We offer a sensory based curriculum with all aspects of physical development and postural management in our



provision at Stratford for more complex learners.

We offer Preparation for Adulthood programmes such as ASDAN Towards Independence. We offer ASDAN qualifications, Entry Level 1 as well as ASDAN Life Skills Challenge. Our programme of study includes communication, literacy, numeracy, life skills including horticulture and vocational modules.

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### What is it like to study here?

“Like most parents who have a young man with Jono’s needs we were very anxious about Jono’s transition at 16 but there was very little problem.

“The truth is Jono has thrived at JFK; they got a handle on him so quickly and he’s made real progress in all the ways you’d want him to academically, in communication and crucially for Jono in managing his emotions. He’s learned amazing new skills like ice skating, gardening and, essentially for home, washing the dishes!

“However when you have a young man like Jono who doesn’t use words, you have to watch and observe carefully. This is what I see: every morning when the bus comes to take him to JFK he smiles and most nights when he comes through the door he is equally cheerful. JFK makes him happy; you have to ask yourself as a parent could you ask for more?”

**Alison, parent of former JFK pupil**

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# LONDON ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE STRATFORD

## A level subjects

Biology  
Chemistry  
Economics  
English literature  
French  
Geography  
History  
History of Art  
Italian  
Mathematics  
Further mathematics  
Philosophy and theology  
Physics  
Politics  
Psychology  
Spanish

**London Academy of Excellence Stratford (LAE Stratford), named state sixth form of the year by The Sunday Times, is an academically-focused and high-achieving sixth form in Stratford, East London, located right next to the station and Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park.**

LAE Stratford is a great option for you if you love learning, are prepared to work hard, want to develop beyond the classroom, and aspire to study at a top university.

Our students achieved the best results in East London in 2019, with an average A level grade of an A+ (A



plus). We are proud of our teachers, who were judged 'Outstanding' by Ofsted, and of our university progression success - one in ten of our year 13s received offers to study at Oxford or Cambridge colleges in 2018, 2019 and 2020.



We are a values-driven school, and provide a world-class education and incredible opportunities to our students with the support of our partner schools, which include some of the top independent schools in the UK.

You could find yourself taking part in weekly sporting options ranging from Zumba and sailing to football and yoga, visiting one of the top universities and listening to a lecture from a world-famous actor like Sir Ian McKellan. This is the "LAE Experience", and you will be part of an inclusive community that promotes academic achievement, aspirational opportunities,



### What is it like to study here?

"The support we receive from our teachers is incredible. I only saw Oxford and Cambridge as an impossible dream, but since joining LAE the idea of applying to the top universities has been 'normalised'." **Reiss, now studying English literature at the University of Cambridge.**



enriching experiences and personal development.

#### Academic Achievement

Rigorous curriculum.  
2019 Results 99% A\*-C, 93% A\*-B, 65% A\*-A  
Average grade: A+

#### Aspirational Opportunities

University visits  
Mentoring  
Work placements  
Career-readiness workshops

#### Enriching Experiences

Weekly sport  
Weekly clubs and societies  
Duke of Edinburgh Award  
Combined Cadet Force  
Performing arts hub

#### Personal Development

Outreach  
Volunteering  
Partner school work  
Tutoring

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# LONDON DESIGN & ENGINEERING UNIVERSITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE

## Subjects

Art and Design  
Biology  
Built Environment  
Business Studies  
Chemistry  
Computer Science  
Digital Media  
Economics  
Graphics  
Mathematics  
Physics  
Psychology

**“An amazing thing is happening in East London. It’s going to change thousands of young lives and give Britain the dynamic and creative workforce it so desperately needs. It’s called LDE UTC and if you are 13+ and want to attend the tech school of the future...You need to know about it!”**  
*Jason Bradbury, TV tech expert and LDE UTC governor*



LDE UTC, based in the heart of the Royal Docks, East London is an industry led, hi-tech 13 – 19 college, providing educational excellence for the learners of today. LDE UTC has some of the

most innovative and advanced teaching technology in the UK including a LEGO Innovation Studio, the most advanced humanoid robots and the latest industry standard technologies



Level 3 | A Level | BTEC | Advanced Apprenticeships

Cambridge Technicals

enabling our learners to become confident, independent, work-ready individuals.

Young people choose to come to us because they have a passion to pursue a career in design, engineering and digital media. Much of the curriculum for our range of Level 3 courses is delivered through interesting and exciting employer-led projects, enabling learning by doing. Learning content is relevant and memorable, boosting our learners' academic achievement.

Our young people receive expert advice from our employer partners and university sponsor, coupled



with mentoring, site visits and work placements. Our employer partners include Thames Water, Costain, Skanska, Thames Tideway Tunnel, the University of East London and many more.

We also offer a unique pledge to all of our learners to help them move on to a degree course at university of their choice, an offer of

employment or an apprenticeship with one of our many partners when they leave the UTC

If you are interested in a career in design, digital media and engineering then our practical and academic approach, combined with the strength of our world class employer partners, then the LDE UTC is the place for you.



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# LONDON SKILLS FOR GROWTH

## Subjects

Business administration

Customer service

Childcare

Supporting teaching & learning in schools

Traineeship

Management

Sports teaching assistant

Hairdressing



**“To develop the skills of individuals and communities to respond to the changing needs of a 21st century workforce.”**

*Angela Beaton, Operations Director*

London Skills for Growth is a well-established and well recognised charity that puts our learners at the heart of everything we strive to achieve. We offer apprenticeships, traineeships, work experience, qualifications and training to enhance the skill sets of young people in the community and to ensure that they can lead productive and independent lives. London Skills for Growth helps young people start their career, equipping them with the skills and experiences that they need to progress into employment.

We provide a structured approach including both educational and pastoral support. We have a dedicated staff team to help you make the best choices.

### **What can I achieve?**

London Skills for Growth offers you the chance to grow and develop both new and existing skills including:

- qualifications in maths and English (if required) from Entry Level 2 up to Level 2
- vital employability skills and interview techniques
- NVQ Level 2 and 3 qualifications in business administration, customer service, supporting teaching and learning in schools, and childcare and hairdressing Level 2 only

Level 3	BTEC	Vocational	Vocational Advanced Apprenticeships & Traineeships
Level 2	BTEC	Vocational	Intermediate Apprenticeships & Traineeships
Level 1	BTEC	Vocational	Foundation/Pre-Apprenticeship programmes



- valuable work experience in small and large businesses
- the opportunity to experience different vocational areas to make the best career decisions for your future

All our pre-apprenticeship programmes offer structured financial support and provide you with the skills to progress into a suitable apprenticeship. There are no formal entry requirements, as we can deliver all of the qualifications you need. You will be required to attend an assessment day where we will assess your work readiness as well as your maths and English levels.

You will need to demonstrate motivation and commitment to achieving your goals.

You will also meet with a Learner Services officer to discuss your skills, qualifications and work experience. You will then be formally offered an appropriate programme or apprenticeship. All our pre-apprenticeship programmes provide you with the skills, training, knowledge, individual coaching, work experience and support to progress you from our pre-apprenticeship programmes onto a suitable apprenticeship or alternative career path.

### What is it like to study here?

Adam found A levels quite stressful after achieving very positive GCSE results, and decided to look for a job. He soon found job hunting difficult without work experience, and came across Skills for Growth. Adam signed up on the traineeship course to gain much needed work experience. During this time Adam learnt many new skills and increased in confidence. On completing his traineeship Adam was keen to start an apprenticeship and was successfully recruited as a Level 2 business administration apprentice within the company. Adam works as a receptionist for our Stratford site, and is enjoying learning more each day and meeting new people. Within a few months of joining Adam became Employee of the Month, voted for by staff across all three London sites, for his positive attitude, friendliness and eagerness to help.



**Adam Sheraz**

This will ensure that you start a programme or apprenticeship that gives you the best opportunity to succeed.

If you would like to apply, please contact our Learner Services team on 020 8221 0500.

If you feel that you are ready to enter the world of work, London Skills for Growth will be able to offer you excellent employment-based training, leading you to develop lifelong work-based skills.

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# NEWHAM COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION

## Subjects

Access to Higher Education  
Accounting & Finance  
Apprenticeships  
Business Administration, Management & Law  
Catering and Hospitality  
Childcare  
Construction & the Build Environment  
Digital Technology  
English & Maths  
Fashion & Tailoring  
GCSE Pathways  
Hairdressing, Barbering & Beauty  
Health & Social Care  
Humanities & Science  
Rail, Aviation & Motor Vehicle Engineering  
SEND (Special Education Needs & Disabilities)  
Sports & Fitness  
T Levels  
Travel & Tourism and Airline Services  
Young ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

**“Newham College offers courses at almost every level, from pre-16 to access to higher education. We provide fantastic opportunities for ambitious students. Relevant work experience is guaranteed and many students have even benefited from travelling abroad for placements in the industries that interest them the most. There’s no limit to achieving great things at Newham College; whatever your ambition, we can help you gain the skills for your success.”**

*Paul Stephen, Newham College Principal and Chief Executive*

### Great Courses For Great Careers

Newham College has unbeatable links with employers throughout London and beyond. There are specialist facilities for learning, socialising and even keeping fit. Students are supported to ensure that learning and progression goes far beyond their studies. Our gyms and exercise classes are

completely free.

The subjects we offer range from engineering and construction to health and social care. We offer specialist training for vocational careers, in industries such as tailoring, hospitality and catering or motor vehicle engineering. Newham College is the starting point for achieving all your goals.

### Newham College courses

Courses are provided free of charge for all 16-18 year olds along with free breakfast and lunch. A generous college bursary scheme and funds from the Learning Revolution Trust support purchase of specialist kit, equipment and academic resources to help you study. As a college student you also get free unlimited access to Office 365 and MS applications to help you study online. Our Learning Resource Centre offers books, DVDs and online resources to help





Level 3	BTEC	Vocational	Advanced Apprenticeships
Level 2	BTEC	Vocational	Intermediate Apprenticeships & Traineeships
Level 1	BTEC	Vocational	Foundation/Pre-Apprenticeship programmes

## What is it like to study here?

“Trust me when I say Newham College has the best teachers and staff who go above and beyond for their students. Newham College has been my backbone, making me stronger and leading me to places I never thought I could go. I became a student governor and the student union president. Thanks to Newham College I have been given the tools to get an excellent start in life. In September I move on to Higher Education to pursue my dreams of a career in adult nursing”



**Diana Azanda, Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care**

students do research and complete assignments at no extra cost. Newham College is committed to pioneering opportunities for students to succeed. The Mayor of London has awarded Newham College with a prestigious quality mark for providing excellent standards of training in construction. This means the College is officially part of the Mayor’s Construction Academy (MCA), a network of 21 training providers that have gained official recognition for providing the sector with suitably skilled workers.

We also run a fashion and tailoring centre of excellence, where lifelong careers are established, as a result of vital links between Newham College and leading employers.

This is just a fraction of what is available for those with the ambition to make the most of college in order to build a great career!

### Free breakfast and lunch

Free breakfast is served on a daily basis to all students who arrive before 8.45am. Free lunch is also made available to students aged 16-18 who are in classes in college all day and discounted travel is offered to minimise financial worries for all students in this age group.

### Student life

Every teenage student on a vocational course is guaranteed an external work placement with a high profile employer to enable them to apply and develop their skills while studying with the college. A range of extra-curricula activities, extra

qualifications and guest speakers via ELBA (East London Business Alliance) broaden your experience of college life. College gyms and sport and fitness activities run in collaboration with Sport England will encourage you to keep fit, de-stress and make new friends. A busy student common room schedule of events including a debating society will let you engage with others. The Student Parliament and annual elections enables learners to get their opinions heard to change things and add extra activities in year. Careers & UCAS advice will help you plan your next steps into the world of work, apprenticeships or university.

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# NEWHAM COLLEGIATE SIXTH FORM CENTRE (NCS)

## Subjects

English literature

Humanities

Science and mathematics

**“If you wish to study in a highly academic environment with teachers who will prepare you to progress to some of the most competitive universities in the UK or abroad then join us!”**

*Mr Mouhssin Ismail, Principal*

Newham Collegiate Sixth Form Centre (the NCS) is the academic A level centre established by a group of Newham secondary schools: The Cumberland, Kingsford, Lister, Little Ilford, Plashet, Rokeby, Royal Docks, Sarah Bonnell and Stratford School Academy. The NCS primarily offers places to students from its partner schools and other schools in Newham and surrounding areas.

The NCS offers a focused A level curriculum for academic students, and the opportunity to study in a dedicated sixth form centre with high-quality facilities and a specialism in science and mathematics.

The ethos of the centre is to provide students with an academic education which also promotes self-development enabling and encouraging students to work hard and

stretch themselves to achieve their full potential.

The A level curriculum has a strong intellectual focus, and an emphasis on preparing students for progression to Russell Group universities including Oxbridge. The NCS also supports student application to highly competitive US Ivy League Universities. The expert staff team provide a stimulating education, personalised curriculum, and opportunities to develop wider knowledge and experience within a supportive environment.

The centre has excellent facilities for students including state of the art science laboratories and iPads for all students as a learning tool. The centre also includes a lecture





## Newham Collegiate Sixth Form Centre

A specialist centre for Science and Mathematics

Level 3 | A Level

theatre, student library, quiet study centre, a student social centre and café.

Collegiate students will study four A levels in their first year, and attend classes for five hours per week in each subject. Each student has a personal tutor and every student's programme is individually designed to maximise study opportunities and prepare students for successful progression to leading universities or competitive internships. Students also undertake private study in the dedicated sixth form library and learning resource centre to develop their independence in preparation for university.

Students will benefit from the centre's bespoke Super Curriculum which is designed to stretch interests outside of core A level studies providing development as a deep thinker, critical enquirer and intellectual risk taker.



### What is it like to study here?

**"The most unique thing about the NCS is the academic buzz that you feel around here. It's palpable, you can feel it here. Every corridor you walk in there's a conversation that's about something interesting or something academic, and you don't get that at any other institution. It's amazing!"**

**Haseeb**

An emerging talent programme gives students an insight into the careers of accountancy, banking, law, engineering, medicine and dentistry. The programme provides skills and knowledge through workshops with industry leaders, internships, work placements and mentoring from industry experts. A focused programme of preparation for university begins as soon as students start their Year 12 study. Students and staff work closely with leading universities to broaden students' understanding of different university including strategic partner UCL subjects to familiarise them with the range of degree courses offered, and to start to target degrees they are particularly interested in. At the end of Year 12, all students undertake specific preparation for applications and admissions to higher education, including Oxbridge and Russell Group

universities as well as scholarship applications to international universities. Students also receive assistance with entrance examinations e.g. BMAT, UKCAT, LNAT and STEP.

If you are predicted to achieve a set of impressive GCSE results, and you are interested in studying the subjects we offer, then Newham Collegiate Sixth Form Centre is an excellent place for your sixth form study.

↓ Find out more

**Newham Collegiate Sixth Form Centre, 326 Barking Road, E6 2BB**

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# NEWHAM SIXTH FORM COLLEGE (NEWVIC)

## Subjects

Art and design  
Business  
Computer science  
Construction  
Economics and finance  
Engineering  
English language  
English literature  
Foundation learning  
Functional skills  
(English and Maths)  
Health, social care,  
childcare and education  
Humanities  
Information and  
communication technology  
Law  
Media  
Modern foreign languages  
Performing arts  
Science and mathematics  
Social sciences  
Sports  
Travel and tourism

**NewVic is a college with an excellent track record for successful student development and progression. We are a strong, supportive community organised around the needs of individual students and focused on helping every individual succeed.**

The 2018-19 academic year saw NewVic achieve it's first OFSTED 'Outstanding' for personal development, behaviour and welfare of students. We are a thriving, diverse and inclusive college located in the heart of east London, with over 25 years of expert experience. Since 1992, NewVic has supported more than 50,000 students to achieve their goals. Our 2019 A Level and vocational results saw a record breaking year with a 97% pass rate and over 50% of students achieving a triple distinction in vocational courses.

As one of London's largest sixth form colleges, and over 2,500 students, we offer a wide range of opportunities for learning and personal development. We get to know every student well and provide them with individual attention and tailored support.

Our focus is to provide students with everything they need to successfully progress to higher education, apprenticeships, training or employment.

Year upon year, the majority of our students progress to university, with a significant proportion securing places at Russell Group universities and those within the top 50 league tables.

NewVic offers a wide range of courses including more than 35 A level subjects, Level 3 subsidiary diplomas, specialist Honours and Professionals Programmes, Level 2 and 3 vocational courses, and foundation level courses. If you choose to join us, you will receive excellent teaching and support to achieve the success you deserve, and create the future you want.

We offer a challenging Honours programme for students who



Level 3	A Level	BTEC	Vocational
Level 2	BTEC	Vocational	GCSE
Level 1	BTEC	Vocational	Foundation programmes



### Craig Bukenya aspires for Cambridge after securing Eton partnership

Craig Bukenya Bagosera, is a first year A Level and Honours Programme student studying English Literature, Politics and Sociology. Alongside his course, Craig has also been involved in Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) supported by Greenwich University; LSE Pathways to Law with London School of Economics; the Toynbee Hall Project with Wadham College (Oxford University); and the Classics Programme in partnership with King's College London.



*"I'd like to read Human Social and Political Science at the University of Cambridge, and either pursue a career in politics or law. My ambition has increased even more now that we have support from Eton as well as NewVic and the other partners that work with them. Although we study in a state school, this will not hinder my level of ambition."*

are looking to develop higher level critical thinking skills and progression to elite universities. The programme is designed to stimulate intellectual curiosity and provide weekly lectures and activities with leading university professors and thinkers on a wide range of topics.

We will treat you with respect and challenge you academically - encouraging you to develop new ways of seeing and thinking.

At NewVic we not only support and invest in your academic success, we also place a high value on your

all-round development. One of the ways we do this is by providing an exciting, high quality and wide-ranging programme of student development and sports activities. These activities will help you broaden your experience, develop your interests and passions, support your wellbeing and offer opportunities for fun, competition and skills development.

Our Nrich programme covers the creative arts, sports, leadership, enterprise, health awareness, language power, understanding our communities and our world. We run activities on a daily basis

during lunchtimes, after college and on Wednesday afternoons. Clubs and societies you can participate in include DJing, debating, cricket, basketball and leadership academies, STEM clubs, creative writing, street dance, model United Nations and volunteering. Student development activities are fully inclusive and open to all students.

At NewVic you will also experience unique opportunities and development through our extensive network of former students, academic and industry partnerships. Take advantage of our 300+ professional links to boost your employability and propel your career prospects.

We want all students to enjoy their time at NewVic, unlock their potential, and achieve their goals for successful progression to higher education or the world of work.

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# SIX 21

## Subjects

Art and design  
Biology  
Business  
Chemistry  
Computing  
Drama  
Economics  
English literature  
Extended project qualification  
Further mathematics  
Geography  
Government and politics  
History  
Mathematics  
Music/music technology  
Philosophy  
Photography  
Physics  
Psychology  
Sociology  
Spanish

**“Universities want thinkers.  
Employers seek problem solvers.  
So schools have to change. At  
Six 21 we offer a top academic  
education, and a lot more -  
incredible opportunities to develop  
into extraordinary individuals.”**

*Peter Hyman,  
Co-Director of Big Education*

“School 21 is an exciting place to learn. Outstanding leadership has produced a highly effective school in a short time. Excellent teaching across the school and in every subject allows all groups of pupils to achieve equally well and rated “Outstanding” in all categories by Ofsted.

From School 21 comes a pioneering new sixth form, Six 21 which opened September 2017. Six 21 is a dynamic and exciting place for those with the ambition to go to top universities, find fulfilling careers and make a difference to the world.

Harnessing School 21’s experienced team with a track record of developing exceptional students who are eloquent speakers, skilled problem solvers and creative thinkers, at Six 21, we believe in the balanced development of Head (academics), Heart (empathy) and Hand (creating).





Level 3 | A Level

### A unique programme of learning

We have created a bespoke programme for every student at Six 21, drawing upon an unrivalled network of organisations and opportunities that the school's founders and influential trustees have built up over the last five years.

- A levels taught by outstanding teachers employing the most advanced teaching techniques - working in partnership with top universities (including King's College London and Oxford and Cambridge colleges).
- Research projects, academic courses, and design projects ensure all students extend



### What is it like to study here?

'I couldn't have asked for a better sixth form experience, Six 21 perfectly accommodates for students who are looking for a great extracurricular experience alongside a two-year journey full of academic growth and success. Six 21 pushes you out of your comfort zone, through life-changing experiences, preparing you for life after sixth form.' - **Farhad Uddin**



'I had no idea why I joined Six21 but coming out the other side I definitely don't regret my decision. They've turned me from a quiet and shy student to a confident, ambitious and pioneering entrepreneur, they prepared me to take on whatever the world has to throw at me!' - **Israr Malik**

their knowledge, skills and experiences far beyond the normal for A-Level students, providing the best foundation for success and independence at university and beyond.

- Real-world learning - long term, ongoing placements with our network of partners: project internships in the fields of law, medicine, the arts, high tech businesses.
- Leadership development and service learning. The chance to make a difference, address challenges, and campaign for change in your local

Are you ambitious, academic and enterprising? Do you want a sixth form experience that goes beyond the ordinary? If so, Six 21 could be the place for you.

#### ↓ Find out more

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# ST ANGELA'S URSULINE SIXTH FORM

## Subjects

Art  
Business  
Computer science  
Drama  
Economics  
English literature  
Extended project  
Film studies  
Government and politics  
Humanities (geography and history)  
Mathematics and further mathematics  
Media  
MFL (French, German and Spanish)  
Music  
Sciences (biology, chemistry and physics)  
Social science (sociology and psychology)  
Technology - resistant materials and textiles  
Theology

**“A very warm welcome to St Angela’s Ursuline Sixth Form as you consider the next stage of education in your aspirations for university and working life. Your choice of post-16 education in both the institution you choose and the courses you wish to study is one of the most important decisions you will make in your life. With a long history of excellence in the post-16 sector and the most successful non-highly selective sixth form in Newham, St Angela’s is the right place to take on the challenge of the biggest educational leap you will ever make and importantly it is with people who care about you.”** *Mark Johnson, Headteacher*

St Angela’s Ursuline Sixth Form is situated in the heart of Forest Gate. We have an excellent, longstanding tradition of providing an outstanding education, filled with excitement and challenge. We offer advanced learning courses and a huge range of super enrichment opportunities. The mechanisms to ensure you are a holistic learner and the Sixth Form’s outstanding support make our progression rates to university truly exceptional at 98%.

Our sixth form provision, for all boys and girls, offers a choice of A level courses and the Extended Project Qualification. Our super links to universities are well developed including partnerships which provide unique opportunities, reduced offers and distinct scholarships. We also hold incredible networks to the world of work, ultimately creating innovative opportunities for all students to grow as individuals as well as part of the very special community that is St Angela’s



Level 3 | A Level

### What was it like to study here?

"Not only did I benefit from the great support we got in lessons, I was also amazed by the number of enrichment activities on offer."

*Sam, now studying maths at Durham University*



### What was it like to study here?

"There is so much opportunity provided in the Sixth Form to set you on the right path for further education and life. Constant support and guidance is provided to motivate you towards success."

*Sara, now studying medicine at Queen Mary University of London*

↓ Find out more

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# ST BONAVENTURE'S 6TH FORM

## Subjects

Art  
Biology  
Business extended diploma  
Business studies  
Chemistry  
Computing  
Economics  
English literature  
Geography  
German  
Government and politics  
Graphic art  
History  
ICT  
Mathematics and further  
Mathematics  
Media  
Music  
Physics  
Product design (3D design)  
Psychology  
Religious studies  
Sociology  
Spanish  
Sport science

**“We get to know every one of our students individually and provide support to them every step of the way. We make sure parents are kept fully aware of their progress and our small class sizes of approximately 13 per class means we provide more personalised teaching. St Bonaventure’s has all the advantages of a traditional 6th form with excellent mentoring and pastoral care.”**

*Wayne Templeman,  
Director of 6th Form*

We teach traditional subjects that are highly rated by the most prestigious universities and we make sure that our students make exceptional progress. Our 6th form is co-educational and we provide an outstanding education to young

men and women wishing to study a variety of subjects, both academic and vocational.

Our results are consistently good and we have the best results in the country in the highly regarded humanities and social sciences. Our new 6th form building which opened in January 2017 is a dynamic centre for post-16 learning, supporting achievement, aspiration and progression.

Standards and expectations are very high at St Bonaventure’s and we boast longstanding partnerships with successful academic institutions and employers. St Bonaventure’s has a fantastic reputation on a



Level 3 | A Level | BTEC | Vocational



local, national and international level and many of our alumni have made positive impacts in many areas of society since we were founded in 1877.

Choose us if academic success is as important to you as it is to us.

↓ **Find out more**

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### What is it like to study here?

“Everyone has high expectations of you as St Bonaventure’s students go on to do amazing things.”

**Zainab - former Plashet School pupil**

“St Bonaventure’s is a diverse, inclusive community where everyone is valued and respected. Progress is driven by all the teachers and students achieve amazing results every year. There is a very strong academic focus, but what I love about St Bonaventure’s most is that students are developed into young citizens who can make a difference in society.”

**James Appiah former Head Boy at St Bonaventure’s**

“I believe that the staff work extremely hard for all the students and care deeply about their wellbeing. The environment is peaceful, loving and is based on gospel values, such as compassion and justice. St Bonaventure’s 6th Form encourages you not to impress others but to express yourself. I made the right choice coming here and I have never doubted it.”

**Manisha Shajan - former Head Girl at St Bonaventure’s**

“I love the fact the 6th form is compassionate. They communicate and guide you effectively. Overall, the 6th form is almost like a part-time family.”

**Tamera - former Brampton Academy pupil**

# OTHER PATHWAYS



Although the colleges and further education providers in Newham offer an extensive range of study options and facilities, you might be looking for a particularly specialised course that may be available locally or in a neighbouring borough. You can find out more about what is on offer at other education and training providers by visiting their websites, or contacting them directly through the details listed below.

## Barking and Dagenham

**Barking and Dagenham College,**  
Rush Green Campus, Dagenham  
Road, Romford, Essex, RM7 0XU  
 t 020 3667 0294  
 w [www.barkingdagenhamcollege.ac.uk](http://www.barkingdagenhamcollege.ac.uk)

**ELUTEC Academy of Design and Engineering,** Rainham Road South, Dagenham East, RM10 7FN  
 t 020 3773 4670  
 w [www.interest@elutec.co.uk](http://www.interest@elutec.co.uk)

## Epping

**New City College, Epping Forest Campus**  
Borders Ln, Loughton IG10 3SA  
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 e [info@ncclondon.ac.uk](mailto:info@ncclondon.ac.uk)  
 w [www.ncclondon.ac.uk/epping-forest](http://www.ncclondon.ac.uk/epping-forest)

## Hackney

**Access Creative College**  
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London N1 6LP

t 020 7613 8380  
 e [admissions@accesscreative.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@accesscreative.ac.uk)  
 w [www.accesscreative.ac.uk](http://www.accesscreative.ac.uk)

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Kenninghall Road, E5 8BP  
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 e [info@bsix.ac.uk](mailto:info@bsix.ac.uk)  
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 t 020 8502 8778  
 e [info@ncclondon.ac.uk](mailto:info@ncclondon.ac.uk)  
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## Newham

**Diva Apprenticeships**  
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 e [hello@divaapprenticeships.com](mailto:hello@divaapprenticeships.com)  
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## Redbridge

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## Tower Hamlets

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 w [www.ncclondon.ac.uk/tower-hamlets](http://www.ncclondon.ac.uk/tower-hamlets)

**Mulberry UTC**  
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 e [info@mulberryutc.co.uk](mailto:info@mulberryutc.co.uk)  
 w [www.mulberryutc.org](http://www.mulberryutc.org)

**City Gateway**  
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 w [www.citygateway.org.uk](http://www.citygateway.org.uk)

**East London Arts and Music**  
45 Maltings Close, E3 3TA  
 t 020 7515 2159  
 e [info@elam.co.uk](mailto:info@elam.co.uk)  
 w [www.elam.co.uk](http://www.elam.co.uk)

## Waltham Forest

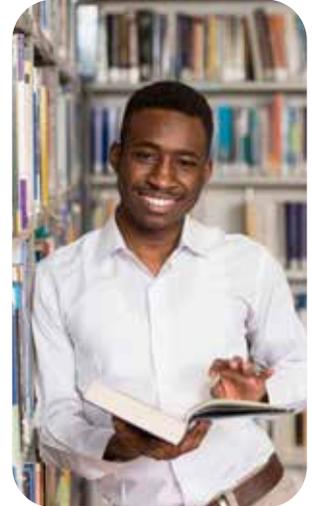
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# GOING TO UNIVERSITY



## Going to university gives you the opportunity to transform your life

A university degree can provide entry to a wide range of careers and opportunities. Those who have degrees are also more likely to be in employment than those with lower level qualifications.

According to the Office for National Statistics, graduates will earn substantially more over their working life than non-graduates, so a degree can be considered a worthy investment.

In order to progress in specific careers, such as being a doctor, you will be required to study that subject, medicine, to degree level. An increasing number of careers and employers now require degrees (especially for senior roles). These include nursing, teaching and many computing and technical jobs.

At university, you can:

- study a subject you love at a higher level and be taught by experts in your chosen field
- study in a global community of students bringing rich and varied experiences
- acquire and develop the higher level skills that are prized by employers
- enhance your personal development, skills and experience through internships, volunteering, working with researchers and studying abroad

## Start thinking about university now!

You will get many opportunities to find out about university while you are a student in Newham. Take every opportunity you can to visit campuses and get involved in summer schools, masterclasses and other activities. These experiences will all help you to gain a greater understanding of what studying at university is all about.

## Choosing your subjects

It is important to know what the entry requirements for the university course you are interested in studying are. Requirements may vary between universities, but some courses, such as medicine, require you to have studied specific subjects.

There are some subjects preferred by selective universities. These are sometimes referred to as “facilitating subjects”, which include:

- Maths and further maths
- English literature
- Physics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Geography
- History
- Languages (classic and modern)

The table below provides some examples of the core Level 3 subjects you may need to apply for specific courses at university.

Suggested A level pathways which target admission to selective universities	Core A level subjects (students choose three subjects)	Facilitating subjects (students choose one subject)
Medicine/dentistry	Maths, further maths, physics, chemistry, biology	English literature, history, geography or a modern foreign language
Medical sciences	Maths, physics, chemistry, biology, psychology	English literature, history, geography or a modern foreign language
Veterinary science	Maths, chemistry, biology, English literature	English literature, history, geography or a modern foreign language
Biological sciences	Maths, chemistry, biology, psychology	English literature, history, geography or a modern foreign language
Physical sciences	Maths, further maths, physics, chemistry	English literature, history, geography or a modern foreign language
Maths	Maths, further maths, physics	English literature, history, geography or a modern foreign language
Engineering pathway	Maths, further maths, physics, chemistry	English literature, history, geography or a modern foreign language
Politics, philosophy and economics	Maths, English literature, history, economics	A modern foreign language or geography
Humanities	Students choose four subjects from the following: English literature, history, geography, religious education, a modern foreign language, psychology or biology	

For more information about choosing your subjects and entry requirements, have a look at Informed Choices, the Russell Group's guide to making decisions about your post 16 education. The Russell Group represents 24 leading UK universities which are committed to maintaining the very best research, an outstanding teaching and learning experience and unrivalled links with business and the public sector.

### University fees and finance – funding is available

Going to university costs money. You will have tuition fees to pay and you will need money for your living costs: things like your rent if you live away from home, money for food, travel, clothes and books and materials for your course. The good news is there are loans to help you with all of these costs.

#### Tuition fee loans

You will probably have seen in the news that students will pay up to £9,250 a year for undergraduate

courses and most degree courses last for three years. You do not have to pay these fees up front. Instead the Government, through the Student Loans Company, will provide you with a loan to pay your fees. The fees will be paid directly to the university for all eligible students.

#### Repaying your loan

Student loans have been designed to be manageable and realistic. You are liable to repay your loan in the April which falls three years after the start of your course, but you will only make repayments if you are earning more than £26,575. Once you earn more than £26,575, you pay 9% of your income above £26,575. For example, a graduate on a salary of £28,000 will pay £10 a month from a monthly take-home pay of around £2,333 (take-home pay is the amount of money you get to take home and spend once tax and national insurance have been taken off).

You will pay interest on your tuition fee loan, and you need to be aware that the amount you owe will increase

each year with interest. Interest is charged at the rate of inflation plus 5.6% while you are studying. If your repayments don't start because you're earning less than £26,575, the interest on your loan will increase at the rate of inflation.

Repayments are normally taken automatically from your salary, and monthly repayments are linked to your income and not the amount borrowed. If you haven't paid off the loan after 30 years, your loan will be written off.

#### Living cost loans

You will be able to get some help with your living costs in the form of a loan. Living cost loans are determined by your family income and individual circumstances such as whether you are studying in London or living at home.

#### Scholarships and bursaries

Each university will offer scholarships and bursaries and will have details of these on their website. Scholarships and bursaries do not have to be repaid.

#### Ieva Petravičiute

**Ieva studied A levels in film studies (A), history (B) and psychology (A), and a Level 3 subsidiary diploma in TV and film production (D\*). She is going on to study digital film production at the University of Greenwich.**

"The teachers at NewVlc are very understanding and know what is best for me, challenging me to reach my full potential. I have learned so many things during my course that I am sure will help me in the future. I have also been involved in the NewVlc Dance Company and the Raleigh Programme. During my time at NewVlc, I have built up my confidence which has led me to doing great things such as work experience at MTV."



#### Rumana Ali, ex-Plasht School, ex-NewVlc 6th Form College. Now studying at Oxford University.

Rumana achieved A levels in English literature (A\*), government and politics (A) and history (A\*) and an AS-level in economics (A). She is now studying history at St. Hilda's College, Oxford University



# WHERE DO I START?



- List your qualifications or predicted grades, your skills and interests.
- Think about where you want to get to - what do you want to be doing in five years' time?
- How will you get there? What qualifications or training will you need?
- Research different courses.
- Research different education providers.
- Find out the application deadlines for courses you are interested in.
- Find out about open days and open evenings.
- Find out your current school deadlines for tutor references.
- If in doubt, ask!

# WHERE TO GET ADVICE AND INFORMATION?

## If you are at school

If you are in years 10 or 11, contact your school careers adviser or careers teacher. Or call 15billionebp on **020 8536 3630** and ask to speak to a careers adviser, who will be able to discuss your options with you.

## If you are over 16

You can call Workplace on **020 3373 1101** if you are 16-18 to talk to an advisor about your options.

Contact the National Careers Service for more information, advice and guidance on careers and the qualifications and skills needed for them. Visit [www.nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk](http://www.nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk) for an online chat or call **0800 100 900** to speak to a careers adviser.

## For more information on apprenticeship opportunities

Talk to your careers adviser about apprenticeships or contact Newham College, Skills for Growth, Building Crafts College or the London Design and Engineering UTC in Newham for information about pathways into apprenticeships.

Visit [www.gov.uk/become-apprentice](http://www.gov.uk/become-apprentice) or talk to your school careers adviser to discuss your options. To search for apprenticeship vacancies, go to [www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](http://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship)

- It is free to register and once you have set up your account you can receive alerts to tell you about new vacancies. For information and guidance visit [www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch](http://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch) where you can download:
  - How to write a winning apprenticeship application.
  - Progress your career with higher apprenticeships.
  - Apprenticeship support guide.

Newham Workplace maintains a database of Newham residents aged 18 and over who are interested in finding out about apprenticeship opportunities. Register your interest with Newham Workplace by getting in touch with the engagement team. Visit [www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Apprenticeships.aspx](http://www.newham.gov.uk/Pages/Services/Apprenticeships.aspx) or call **020 3373 1101** or email [Workplace.EngagementTeam@newham.gov.uk](mailto:Workplace.EngagementTeam@newham.gov.uk)

Drop into the Stratford Office between 9am-4.30pm (Monday-Friday), or make an appointment by calling workplace. Newham Workplace, 112-118 The Grove, Stratford, E15 1NS

## For more information on traineeship opportunities

Traineeship opportunities will be advertised regularly on the National Apprenticeship Service website [www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship](http://www.gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship) For more information about traineeships visit [www.gov.uk/find-traineeship](http://www.gov.uk/find-traineeship)

## 16-19 Bursary Fund

To find out more visit [www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund](http://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund)

For more information visit [www.gov.uk/care-to-learn](http://www.gov.uk/care-to-learn) or call the Learner Support Line on **0800 121 8989**.

## Dance and Drama Awards

For more information visit [www.gov.uk/dance-drama-awards](http://www.gov.uk/dance-drama-awards)

To find your local University Technical College (UTC) and register your interest, visit [www.utcolleges.org/utcs/](http://www.utcolleges.org/utcs/)

## Going to university

Further advice on:

Student finance  
<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance>

University application process  
[www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

National Union of Students  
[www.nus.org.uk](http://www.nus.org.uk)

Studying abroad  
[www.thestudentworld.com](http://www.thestudentworld.com)

Russell Group universities:  
For information on choosing your subjects and entry requirements, have a look at Informed Choices [www.russellgroup.ac.uk/informed-choices](http://www.russellgroup.ac.uk/informed-choices) the Russell Group's excellent guide to making decisions about your post-16 education.



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