



SOUTH DOWNS

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Dear Engineering Applicant

We are very much looking forward to you joining us for your studies in September and thank you for choosing to study with us. HSDC is very proud of our Engineering provision, which is designed specifically to meet the needs of industry so that all our students have the best possible opportunity to progress to their chosen pathway.

As you have applied for our Engineering courses, we wanted to let you know about an additional opportunity available only to you. As a part of our provision, we offer the **Engineering Apprenticeship Academy**. This Academy is exclusively available to HSDC Engineering students and is an ideal programme for those who would like to progress straight into work at the end of their full-time study. We are looking for students who are really focused on a career in engineering as there are only a handful of spaces available each year.

Local engineering employer Harwin Plc, which specialises in advanced manufacturing and automation, has been working with HSDC on the delivery of the academy for the last 4 years to develop student employability skills. Through the Academy you will have the opportunity to achieve a Level 3 qualification, alongside experiencing valuable industry placements with Harwin plc throughout the academic year.

At the end of the first year of the course, selected students will be offered employment by Harwin to join their apprenticeship programme. The remaining students will continue into their second year of full-time study and to take up opportunities with the many other employers we work with in the local area.

Find out more about Harwin plc: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FGdCe9fqjrk>

Find out more about the academy: <https://www.hsdac.ac.uk/harwin-academy-at-hsdac/>

If you would like to express an interest in joining this Academy, please email the Admissions team at admissions@hsdc.ac.uk who will ensure that this is discussed with you during the final stage of the enrolment process prior to the start of the course.

In the meantime, please stay safe and follow the rules. We know that making the decision to apply to study at college can be an anxious time for most people and this is made worse with our normal way of life suspended as a result of the Covid19 outbreak. We want to assure you that we have the right course for you here at HSDC in September and we look forward to seeing you.

Yours faithfully

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