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## **MINI GUIDE TO PART-TIME COURSES FOR ADULTS.**

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# WELCOME FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**We want to continue to encourage adults to develop knowledge and skills and gain valuable qualifications – whether that's to develop your career, return to work, improve your Maths and English, enhance your digital skills or to take up a new interest.**

Our courses are offered on a part-time basis and have been designed to fit around your lifestyle and work commitments - with most courses even offered for free or at a minimal cost. In addition, there are several short courses that can be studied online, meaning you can start them at any time throughout the year and complete them in your own time. For employers, these short courses can offer a great way of upskilling staff.

Our leisure courses will help you gain new skills in a fun way and even turn something you love doing into a new career. There are courses in hair and beauty, millinery, web design, photography, wellbeing and many more.

Anyone over the age of 19 can study one of our part-time maths, English or IT courses at The Skills Centre NC, and benefit from our relaxed and friendly environment and qualified tutors.

We also offer a growing number of distance learning courses which are supported by our expert delivery team.

If you've got a clear career objective and are looking to up-skill your knowledge for your dream career, then a professional qualification could be the answer.

You may not have been inside a classroom for years, but you won't be alone if you sign up for a course with us.

I do hope that you decide to study a part-time course at our college, and that you find the experience rewarding and enjoyable.



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or speak to an advisor  
using the online chat  
feature on our website.



**96%**  
OF OUR STUDENTS PASSED  
THEIR QUALIFICATIONS



**94%**  
PROGRESS TO FURTHER  
STUDY OR EMPLOYMENT



**94%**  
OF STUDENTS WOULD  
RECOMMEND THE COLLEGE  
TO A FRIEND<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>On programme survey 2020  
based on 2,200 responses

# FIND A COURSE THAT'S RIGHT FOR YOU!

We offer exciting part-time courses in a variety of areas including:



- Leadership and Management
- Accounting
- HR
- Business
- Carpentry and Joinery
- Electrical Installation
- Painting and Decorating
- Bricklaying
- Plumbing
- Hospitality and Culinary Arts

- Health and Social Care
- Digital
- English
- Maths
- Art and Design
- Photography
- Music
- Beauty Therapy
- Hairdressing
- Motor Vehicle

## SHORT COURSES

- CSCS Site training
- Electronic Music Production
- Advanced Mixing & Mastering
- Adult Choir
- Introduction to Web Design
- Introduction to Coding
- Millinery
- Introduction to Digital Photography

For more information on individual courses and entry requirements, visit our website [www.northamptoncollege.ac.uk](http://www.northamptoncollege.ac.uk)

## MATHS AND ENGLISH

We have courses for all levels of English and maths; from entry numeracy and literacy, right up to GCSE. These are all free of charge to UK residents.

We deliver lessons to small groups of adult learners, many of whom had poor experiences of education growing up. You will find the learning environment in our classes very different from those of school days. Each year exceptional numbers of adults (over 90%) pass their exams which mean they can secure skilled jobs or progress onto higher levels of study.

## IT AND DIGITAL SKILLS

We deliver a large range of IT courses for adults at every level to support work-readiness or study at university-level.

These include the new Essential Digital Skills for adults which are free of charge to all UK residents who do not yet have a good working knowledge of using a computer or tablet.

Our IT short courses start from the very basics, such as accessing the internet and sending an email; but continue through to longer Level 1 and 2 courses to improve skills in Outlook, PowerPoint, Word and Excel.

These courses can be studied intensively if you need to upskill rapidly.

# BILLY MAGUIRE

## CARPENTRY

Billy lost his full-time job during the pandemic, so he decided to return to education and re-train in a subject he was passionate about. Billy had a lifelong dream to study Carpentry, so he decided to enrol on a part-time course at Northampton College.

Billy said, "The tutors here are really good people and you can tell they know their stuff because they all have experience in the industry. Coming back to College as an older student was a bit daunting, but the teachers are very understanding and helpful.

"If you're thinking about studying here, then my advice is just to go for it. I think it's brilliant!"



## DISTANCE LEARNING

Our online and distance learning courses are ideal for adults aged 19+ who would like to gain a new qualification, but don't have the time to attend college.

You can develop your knowledge in several areas including business, customer service, logistics, and health and wellbeing. We also offer English and Maths GCSE and Level 1 Functional Skills English and maths.

Whatever you decide, all the courses are delivered in bite-sized chunks and can be started at any time throughout the year. This makes them ideal for people who are looking for flexible study options.

### OUR COURSES INCLUDE:

- Certificate in Understanding Behaviour that Challenges
- Certificate in Understanding Children and Young People's Mental Health
- Certificate in Understanding Data Protection and Data Security
- Certificate in Principles of Customer Service (VRQ)
- Certificate in Lean Organisation
- Management Techniques
- Creating a Business Start-Up
- Mental Health First Aid & Mental Health Advocacy in the Workplace
- Warehousing and Storage
- Level 2 Certificate in Understanding Climate Change and Environmental Awareness
- Award in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care
- Award in Managing Your Money

## FAST-TRACK COURSES

Adult learners now have the opportunity to study a range of fast-track functional skills qualifications in English and maths at Level 1 and 2 for free.

These online courses are ideal for learners who have a good level of knowledge in their chosen subject and require a qualification to

progress into a new job role, a new career direction or a fully-funded Level 3 course under the Government's Lifetime Skills Guarantee.

To find out more about our fast-track courses and book an assessment please call 0300 123 2344.



## ACCESS COURSES

**Northampton College courses aren't just for students progressing straight from school.**

Perhaps you've been out of education for some time, working, raising a family or simply deciding what to do next. Perhaps you're looking to change direction in your career, or achieve the degree you missed out on when you were younger.

If so, our Access to Higher Education courses could be for you.

### WHO ARE ACCESS COURSES FOR?

We offer a range of Access pathways, all specifically designed for mature students, in the following subjects:

- Health Professionals
- Humanities and Social Science
- Science

Whether you need to return to a subject you struggled with at school or want to start exploring a brand-new area, you'll find our friendly, approachable staff members are experts in helping you change direction. If you are aged 19+ and have had a year out of education post 18, you may also be eligible.

Don't worry if you don't have any formal qualifications – our guidance team will be delighted to help you find the best option for you. And who knows where your Access course could lead next?

# CAROLINE BULL

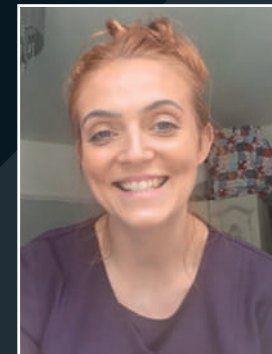
## BEAUTY THERAPY

Caroline is studying Level 2 Beauty Therapy and loves learning to perform new treatments. She said, "I was a bit nervous before I started the course, but the training salons have such a lovely, relaxed atmosphere and everyone else is just there to learn with you."

"The other students are really friendly and helpful and the teachers are always happy to lend a hand and offer support and advice."

"I'm really enjoying the practical elements of the course and learning new skills and techniques. My advice to other adults thinking about studying at the College is - don't be afraid to jump in."

"After I complete the course I hope to progress on to Level 3 and then eventually work in a salon. Perhaps I'll even own my own salon one day, fingers crossed!"





## PROFESSIONAL COURSES

**Our professional programmes in Accounting, Management and Human Resources are well respected by businesses and highly sought after by employers.**

We offer state-of-the-art training facilities and a team of first-class tutors to support you to achieve your career goals.

With starting points throughout the year, our flexible offer allows you to build a programme that is tailored to your needs. Lessons are taught in the evenings, but occasionally take place during the day or at weekends.

These courses are accredited by professional bodies, including the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT), the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) and the Institute of Leadership & Management (ILM).



## COURSE FEE INFORMATION

Course fees are based on current funding rates and often change from year to year. Below is a guide to what you may be expected to pay for your Further Education course but there are a range of options available to help with your costs. Please contact the Enrolment Centre on 0300 123 2344 for the latest information and advice.

### ADULTS AGED 19 OR OVER

If you are aged 19+ at the start of a Further Education course, you may have to pay fees but there may be exemptions. There are no tuition fees for:

- Those earning up to £17,004 per annum (including the self-employed) on eligible courses.
- Unemployed students in receipt of a qualifying means-tested benefit at the start of an eligible course.
- Students aged 19-23 at the start of an eligible first full Level 3 course who do not already have a qualification at that or a higher level.
- Students aged 19-23 at the start of an eligible first full Level 2 course who do not already have a qualification at that or a higher level.
- Students aged 19-23 at the start of an eligible entry Level or Level 1 course who intend to progress to a Level 2 course.
- Qualifications in maths or English, including GCSEs and Functional Skills, for students who have not previously attained a GCSE grade A\*- C or grade 4 or above.
- Full-time Level 1 and Level 2 funded courses.
- All adults are expected to pay for associated trips, materials, equipment, uniform costs and awarding body fees but concessions or financial support may be available.

# HOW DO I APPLY?

Details of all our courses running at Booth Lane, Daventry and Lower Mounts can be found on our website [www.northamptoncollege.ac.uk](http://www.northamptoncollege.ac.uk)

If you are interested in our courses, you can apply online.

For English, maths and IT, you will need to book an advice appointment so we can assess your current skill level and requirements.

We take in to account your current knowledge of IT, what you would like to achieve and your level of ability in spoken and written English.

**Booth Lane, Northampton NN3 3RF**  
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