



Brockenhurst College

2025



**DISCOVER**  
YOUR ROUTE TO SUCCESS

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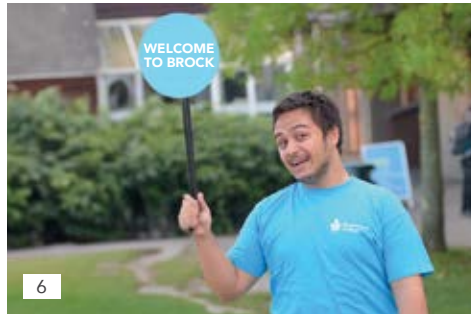
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### LINKS WITH SCHOOLS

**At Brock we have spent many years forging and maintaining strong relationships with our local secondary schools, helping make students' transition to college as smooth as possible.**

We organise outreach events on school grounds for all pupils, from Year 7 upwards, including assemblies, careers fairs and evening events aimed at both parents and learners. We also offer Year 10 Taster Days to give 14–15 year-olds a real sense of what Further Education is about. You can find out more about our outreach events from your school. In addition, we host events for school teachers that include Continuing Professional Development sessions and practice-sharing initiatives.



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# WELCOME TO BROCKENHURST COLLEGE

Welcome to the Brockenhurst College prospectus for 2025 entry, and thank you for your interest in joining our vibrant and aspirational college community.



Here at Brock, we are committed to being the power behind your progress throughout the next stage of your education. Our staff are invested wholeheartedly in supporting you to excel in your studies and grow as an individual. This means you will develop further knowledge, skills and personal attributes, equipping you to take your next steps after college.

The defining culture at Brock is one of academic excellence. In addition, there is a strong culture of inclusion, respect and personal responsibility. We are confident that these strengths, along with our continued support, will enable you to realise your potential and develop into an independent, lifelong learner.

With this in mind, we know that every young person is different. This is why we will work with you during the application and enrolment period to create a bespoke Study Programme that meets your interests, abilities and future aspirations.

As a student, you will combine your academic learning with our wide-ranging Enrichment programme. This will enable you to develop a broader set of skills and meet new, like-minded people who share your interests. For example, you may wish to learn a new skill such as sign language, or enhance your UCAS application by joining our Vets and Medics programme.

You will also benefit from the expertise of our teachers, who are all experienced professionals in post-16 education. They are specialists both in their subjects and in providing the wraparound support you need in order to develop, succeed and progress. In fact, student feedback regularly praises the additional support, advice and guidance provided

by our teachers and Professional Services staff. This assistance will help you every step of the way throughout your Brock journey.

To discover more about what makes Brockenhurst College a special place to learn, succeed and make lifelong friends, please book to attend any of our Open Events. Each one is a valuable opportunity to speak to teachers, explore the campus and ask any questions about subjects and college life.

Above all else, we will work with you to ensure you enjoy an inspiring and rewarding learning experience, and we very much look forward to welcoming you to the College as a student.

Helen Odhams  
Principal

### STUDENTS' UNION



**Hi. My name's Bella Laraman and I'm President of the Students' Union (SU). As a democratic body, the SU gives you the ability to influence decision-making at the College, bringing about positive change.**

We run a Student Parliament and several committees, taking suggestions and queries forward to the College's Senior Leadership Team. Meanwhile, executive SU members organise student events and charity fundraising drives.

If you want to get involved, you can either select Students' Union as an Enrichment activity or engage with us independently. It'll give you important evidence of civic responsibility for both your CV and your UCAS application if you apply to university. So, the benefits are clear – everyone is welcome, and meaningful change starts with you.



MEET THE SU  
EXECUTIVE  
TEAM



# TOP TEN REASONS TO CHOOSE BROCK

At Brock we are specialists in 16–19 education and provide a package of academic and pastoral benefits that is unique. Look now as we give you a rundown of the Top TEN things that make Brock special...

## 1 Specialist 16–19 teachers

All our teachers are specialists in 16–19 education, which means they treat you like an adult and understand how to get the best out of you. They are also experts in their subjects. For example, Vocational course teachers have industry experience that informs all teaching and learning. Meanwhile, A Level teachers have academic backgrounds in their subjects, always keeping up with research findings.

## 2 Tailored support

Providing quality support that is consistent, meaningful and tailored to the individual is central to our values and mission. You will benefit from a Tutorial programme led by your Academic Tutor, who will be your guide and advocate throughout your Further Education journey. Then there are your subject teachers and all the learning support staff we have on-hand to assist you. Feedback tells us that students value the skills and experience that our staff have in supporting the 16 to 19-year-old age group – something that marks Brock out as very different to school.

## 3 Wide range of subjects

You can select from a wide range of courses, whether it be A Level, A Level Equivalent or Vocational. With A Levels and A Level Equivalents, this means you can opt to create a diverse or complementary Study Programme combination that is an exact fit for your interests and ambitions. When you add our wide range of Enrichment and/or academy opportunities to the mix, you will access an even broader overall learning experience.

## 4 First-class facilities

You will have access to industry-standard learning facilities that provide an authentic taste of the working environment in your chosen field. Examples include a fine-dining restaurant for hospitality students, a professional-grade recording studio for musicians, a marine engine workshop for aspiring marine mechanics, and a well-equipped gym and fitness studio for athletes and Sport & Exercise learners. You will also have access to industry-level computer hardware and software.

## 7 High-quality information, education, advice and guidance for progression

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From day one we will work with you to focus on what you want to do after college. To navigate your options, you will engage with our Next Steps programme, which is designed to set you on the right path. At Brock we also hold the prestigious Quality in Careers Standard (QCS), evidencing our commitment to providing the best careers education, information, advice and guidance. Plus, you can benefit from a range of informal initiatives, such as networking with employers and meeting visiting industry speakers, as well as posing questions to visiting representatives of UK universities. In fact, if applying to university is your aim, we will support you throughout the entire UCAS application process – from helping you shortlist institutions, to helping you draft your Personal Statement.

## 6 Wide choice of Enrichments

### Wide choice of Enrichments

We give you a wide choice of Enrichment options. This means you will be able to develop your wider knowledge and skills in areas of personal interest. Your Enrichments will form part of your overarching Study Programme, with each one representing a prime opportunity to grow as a person in the company of likeminded people who share your interests.

## 5 Mature and diverse community

Our main campus culture is much more like a university's than a school sixth form's. This means there is a culture of diversity, independence, personal responsibility and an element of self-directed learning. As a result, you will obtain a mature outlook and attitude that will benefit every aspect of your life. Feedback from past students indicates that this culture makes Brock a useful stepping-stone to Higher Education, apprenticeships and employment.

## 8 Picturesque location

### Picturesque location

Academic research shows that people learn well in a peaceful environment that contains positive stimuli from the natural world. This makes Brock's serene and picturesque location an ideal setting for focussing on your studies and ultimately achieving your goals. It is a place to think, learn, explore and discover – well away from noise and unwelcome distractions. Having said that, if you need to use retail services, Brockenhurst village is just a five-minute walk away.

## 9 Extensive transport links

Our transport network means you can always get to and from college with relative ease. Special college bus services cover our entire catchment area, and you can use public buses as well. Meanwhile, Brockenhurst is a major stop on the Weymouth to Waterloo train line. This enables students from both Bournemouth and Southampton areas to travel to college in around 20 minutes. Also, travel concessions and travel bursaries can help make commuting more affordable.

## 10 High-speed Wi-Fi

### High-speed Wi-Fi

We have invested heavily in upgrading our Wi-Fi network to give everyone even more bandwidth. This guarantees reliable interaction and speedy downloads for busy people on the move. And the benefits are clear... You should never find yourself out of the loop, either on a personal level or during your studies.



# YOUR APPLICATION PROCESS

## 1. APPLICATION

SEPTEMBER 2024 – FEBRUARY 2025

Visit our website and apply online for 2025 entry. We need all applications by the beginning of February, but the earlier we receive them the better. Applications received after 7 February will be considered, but your choice of subjects may depend on availability.



## 2. INTERVIEW AND OFFER

OCTOBER 2024 ONWARDS

We will hold interviews from October at the College. Details of how to book your interview will be available on your Application Portal. At your interview you will be able to talk through your study options and future plans. You will also have the opportunity to tell us what you have done so far. In particular, we will want to see your Record of Achievement file, recent school reports, attendance record, exam results and identification. You will receive an email offering you a place and outlining your courses following a successful interview.



## 3. ONLINE SUPPORT

MAY 2025

From May onwards you can engage with us through the New Student section of our website. There you will find all sorts of information including details about travel and financial support. In May you will also be sent your invitation to Freshers' Day, so keep an eye out.



## 4. FRESHERS' DAY

THURSDAY 26 AND FRIDAY 27 JUNE 2025

This is your opportunity to sample your chosen courses, explore the campus and meet some of your new friends. It is really important that you attend this day to ensure you are confident about your course choices.

WELCOME TO BROCK



## 5. YOUR ENROLMENT PORTAL

JULY 2025

In July we will email you your Enrolment appointment and give you access to your Enrolment Portal. You will also be able to upload some of the information we need from you. For example, we need a passport-sized photograph to go on your student record and you must confirm your personal details.



## 6. ENROLMENT

AUGUST 2025

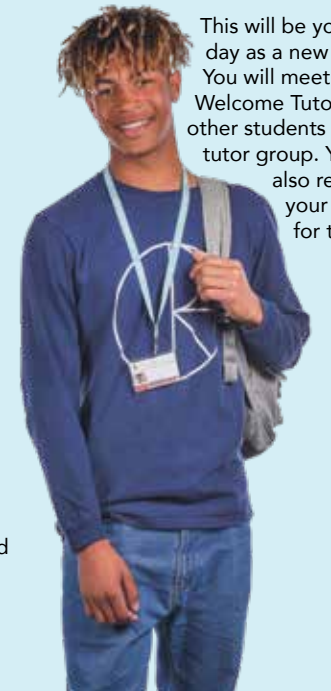
At the end of August you will discuss your GCSE results with us and confirm your chosen courses. You will also select your Enrichments.



## 7. INDUCTION

SEPTEMBER 2025

This will be your first day as a new student. You will meet your Welcome Tutor and other students in your tutor group. You will also receive your timetable for the year.



## OPEN EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2024  
4:30PM – 8:00PM

SATURDAY 12 OCTOBER 2024  
9:30AM – 1:30PM

SATURDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2024  
9:30AM – 1:30PM

THURSDAY 3 JULY 2025  
5:00PM – 8:00PM

For support with your application, simply email [admissions@brock.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@brock.ac.uk)

# YOUR BROCK JOURNEY



## A LEVEL / A LEVEL EQUIVALENTS



### START

I wanted to study a number of subjects. I learn well by preparing for exams. I chose to study three A Levels.



### MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above to include English Language and Maths. An average GCSE score of 4.0 or above. **Please note**, most subjects have specific additional entry requirements.



### APPLYING

I applied to Brock and was interviewed and offered a place dependent on my GCSE grades. I also had the opportunity to choose my Enrichment options at Enrolment.



### ASSESSMENT

I was assessed throughout the course, which showed me I was on track. The majority of my exams were at the end of my second year. However, I had to take my exams at the end of the first year to progress to the second year. Also, some A Levels had coursework modules.



### STRUCTURE

I completed three 1.5 hour lessons for each subject, each week. Plus, I attended a weekly Tutor session and completed independent learning outside class. I also engaged with Enrichments and joined an academy. I had the option of doing work experience as well.



### PROGRESSION

I was able to choose to go on to university, a higher or advanced apprenticeship, or into full-time employment.



## VOCATIONAL



### START

I knew the field in which I wanted to work. I learn better through a combined approach, completing coursework and also taking exams.



### MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**Level 3/Level 3 Extended:** Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above to include English Language and Maths.  
**Level 3 Extended Diploma** is equivalent to three A Levels.  
**Level 2:** Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above to include English Language and Maths.  
**Level 1:** English Language and Maths grade 2 or below, plus other GCSEs at grade 2 or below.  
**Please note**, some subjects have specific additional entry requirements.



### APPLYING

I applied to Brock and was interviewed and offered a place dependent on my GCSE grades. I was told I could study a two-year Level 3 course or, if I didn't get the grades, I could study a one-year Level 1 or 2 course. I also had the opportunity to choose my Enrichment options at Enrolment.



### ASSESSMENT

I was assessed through a portfolio of assignments. I also had some externally marked exams.



### STRUCTURE

I had 14 hours of subject lessons a week, covering a range of modules. As well, I attended a weekly Tutor session and did some independent learning on campus and at home. Enrichment tasks and academy commitments filled the rest of my time. I also took part in a two-week work placement.



### PROGRESSION

At the end of my Level 3 course I was able to progress to university, a higher or advanced apprenticeship, or full-time employment.



## T LEVEL



### START

I knew the field in which I wanted to work. I wanted to study at college and take an extended work placement.



### MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above to include English Language and Maths. **Please note**, most subjects have specific additional entry requirements.



### APPLYING

I applied to Brock and was interviewed and offered a place dependent on my GCSE grades. I also had the opportunity to choose my Enrichment options at Enrolment.



### ASSESSMENT

I was assessed throughout the course, which showed me I was on track. There were exams at the end of the first and second year. I had to pass my exams at the end of the first year to progress to the second year.



### STRUCTURE

I had 15 hours of subject lessons each week. I also took part in Enrichments and joined an academy. Plus, I attended a weekly Tutor session and did independent learning. On top of that, I undertook an extended work placement, which had to last a minimum of 315 hours. **Please note**, our Education and Early Years T Level has a 750 hour work placement.



### PROGRESSION

I was able to choose to go on to university, a higher or advanced apprenticeship, or into full-time employment.



## APPRENTICESHIP



### START

I wanted to work, earn money and get a nationally recognised qualification at the same time.



### MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry requirements vary, and you may need up to five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English Language and Maths. **Intermediate Level apprenticeship (Level 2)** – equivalent to five GCSE passes. **Advanced Level apprenticeship (Level 3)** – equivalent to two A Level passes. **Higher Level apprenticeship (Level 4 or above)** – can lead to NVQ Level 4 and above, or a foundation degree.



### APPLYING

I applied for a job that included an apprenticeship through Brock. I used their skills matching service and received CV and careers advice as well. I had an interview with an employer and was offered a job.



### ASSESSMENT

I was assessed in the workplace for my qualification. I could have retaken my Maths and English GCSEs if I had not already achieved a grade 4.



### STRUCTURE

I worked full-time, and my college Assessor visited me regularly to make sure I was doing well. I studied for a qualification that covered modules relating to my job role. This was classed as 20% off-the-job training. If you are on a **Marine or Construction apprenticeship**, you will also attend college. Construction and Marine courses are based at our Marchwood campus.



### PROGRESSION

I was able to go into a full-time job. However, I could have completed a higher apprenticeship, followed by an advanced (degree level) apprenticeship.

You can rely on our teachers and Professional Services staff for all the help and support you need to achieve success. This includes access to our Next Steps programme, a wide range of Enrichment opportunities, a well-structured Tutorial programme, and pervasive pastoral care that makes you feel comfortable and always in control. You can also access our Skills Development staff, who will assess any additional learning needs and introduce extra support if necessary.



# INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

Here at Brock we have invested heavily to create first-class facilities that give you the high-quality learning experience you deserve. With that in mind, here is a list of the main investment projects we have undertaken in recent years to support learner journeys.



REFURBISHED  
SCIENCE LABS

NEW COMPUTER  
SUITES

UPGRADED  
WI-FI ACROSS  
MAIN CAMPUS

NEW 4G ASTROTURF

UPGRADED SOUND  
STUDIO

PROGRAMMABLE  
ROBOTS

REFURBISHED  
BROCK HUB

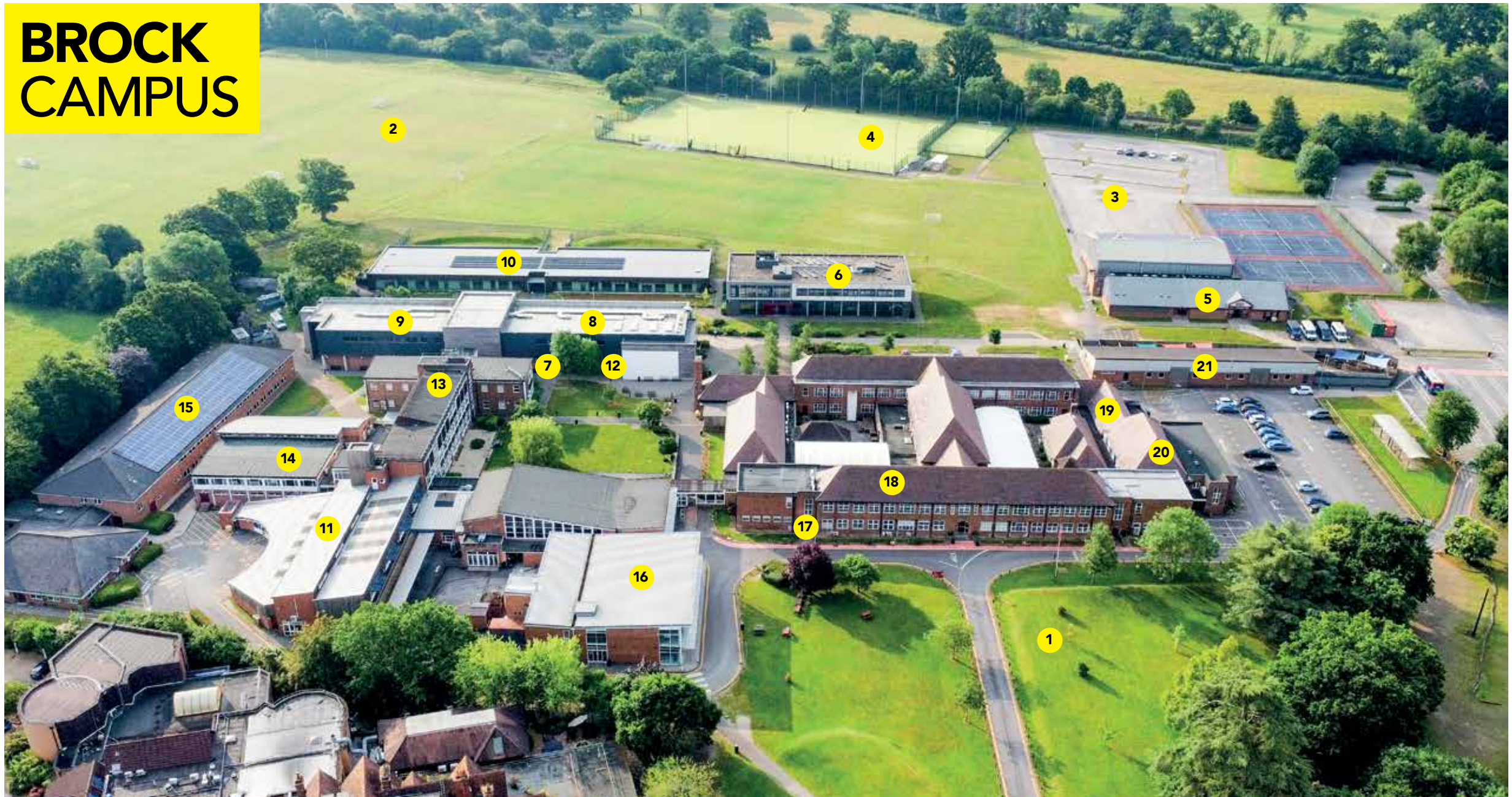
VR HEADSETS

NEW INDUSTRY  
COOKERS IN  
TRAINING KITCHENS

HUMAN  
SIMULATION  
MANNEQUIN



# BROCK CAMPUS



**1** Thirty-six-acre campus in the New Forest National Park.

**2** Twenty-seven acres of playing fields.

**3** Over 300 student car parking spaces.

**4** All-weather 4G AstroTurf pitch for football and hockey.

**5** Fully-equipped Sports Centre with Gym and Fitness Suite.

**6** STEM Centre packed with the latest learning technology.

**7** Engineering Workshops with industry-standard equipment.

**8** Computing and IT labs with Cisco Systems input.

**9** Photographic Studio including dark room.

**10** Foundation and Independence Hub.

**11** Visual Arts Hub with separate areas for each specialism.

**12** Industry-standard training kitchens and fine-dining restaurant.

**13** Newly refurbished science laboratories set up for a range of experiments.

**14** Brock Hub, run by trained and experienced staff, featuring group study rooms and personal workspaces.

**15** Specialised classrooms for English, humanities, modern languages and childcare courses.

**16** Hard Brock Café open all day for food, drink and socialising.

**17** Reflections Room for quiet contemplation and prayer.

**18** Business and IT Suites.

**19** Recording Studio with industry-standard hardware and software.

**20** One-hundred seat Kemball Theatre available for all kinds of performances.

**21** Highwood Nursery open to our college community and public.



# OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Enjoy the fresh air and catch up with friends at any of the outdoor social spaces dotted around our main campus.

Select from a variety of formal and less formal spaces where you can conduct your independent study either alone or in a group.

Implement learning support strategies with help from our Skills Development team, enabling you to do your best every single day.

Benefit from a wide range of assistance, support, hardware, software and books at Brock Hub.

Engage with a range of health and wellbeing facilities and initiatives, including ones organised by our Safeguarding and Welfare team.

Purchase quality food and drink at the Hard Brock Café, which is well-staffed and provides a wide range of options.

Book facilities for basketball, football, tennis, badminton and more, to continue playing your favourite sports with friends.

Take a walk into Brockenhurst village, which has shops, green spaces and free-roaming animals.



OVER **35** ENRICHMENTS



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# ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES



**Enrichments strengthen your progression prospects by adding value to your learner profile and weight to your job and/or university applications. This is because employers and universities understand and value the wider skills and attributes college leavers have acquired through Enrichments. You will also meet likeminded people and make new friends.**

Your selected Enrichments will form part of your overarching Study Programme, giving you prime opportunities to pursue your interests and generate evidence of additional success. Although many Enrichments must be completed in person, others can be completed online at a time that suits you. You can select from our wide range of options, which contains something for everyone. For example, you can engage with our Brock2Kenya humanitarian project, or learn a new language with Spanish for Backpackers.







**DO YOU KNOW HOW EASY IT IS TO REACH US?**

**POOLE**

51 mins (Car) 33 mins (Train)

**BOURNEMOUTH**

40 mins (Car) 13 mins (Train)

**CHRISTCHURCH**

24 mins (Car) 14 mins (Train)

**RINGWOOD**

30 mins (Car)

**LYMINGTON**

14 mins (Car) 9 mins (Train)

**SOUTHAMPTON**

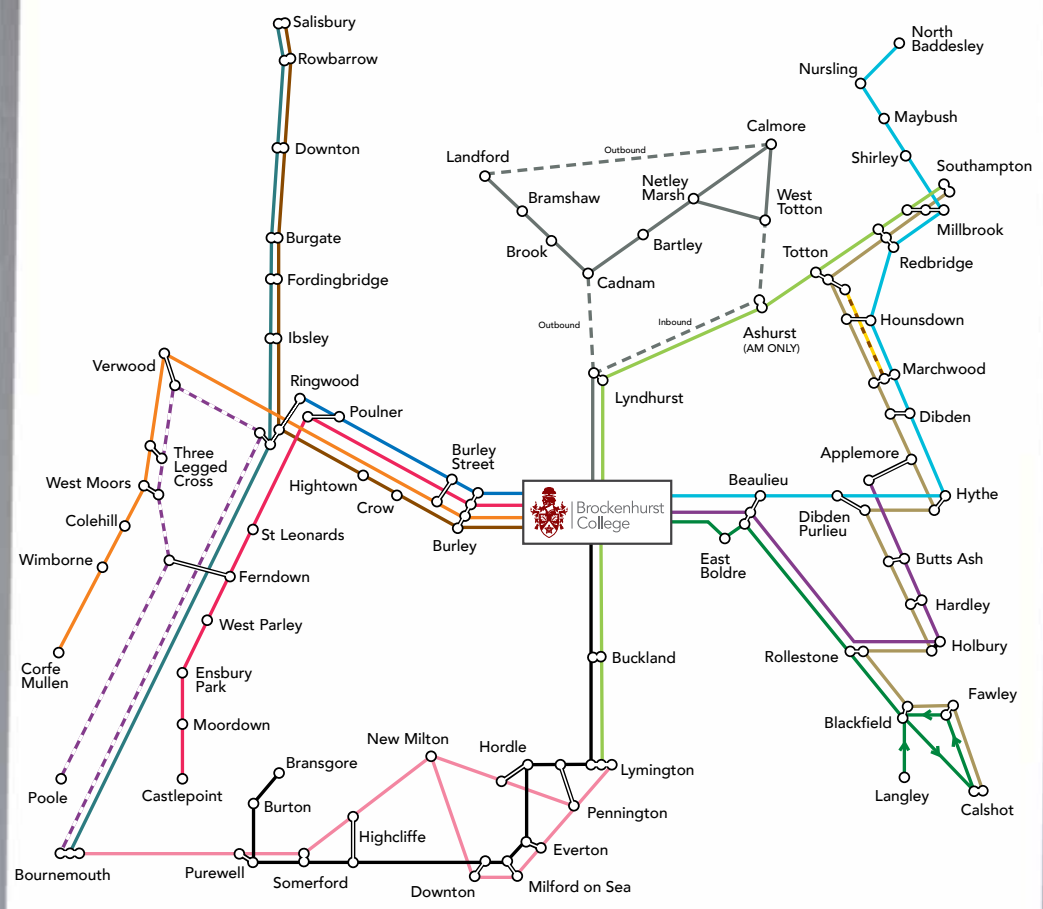
23 mins (Car) 13 mins (Train)

**ISLE OF WIGHT**

23 mins (Ferry) Cowes – Southampton  
40 mins (Ferry) Yarmouth – Lymington

If you travel a long distance to Brock, we will do our best to compress your timetable so you do not have to travel in every day. Please email [admissions@brock.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@brock.ac.uk) for more information.

**IT IS JUST A 7 MINUTE WALK FROM BROCKENHURST TRAIN STATION TO THE COLLEGE**



- \*BS6
- C7
- C16
- \*X1/X2
- \*BS8/BS9
- C12
- C18
- \*X3
- C4
- C13
- C20
- - - \*X6
- C5
- C15
- - - C27
- \*Public provision



SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

[travel@brock.ac.uk](mailto:travel@brock.ac.uk)

# TRAVEL

At Brock we offer a range of subsidised travel options, and our discounted college bus passes are available on an annual, termly or monthly basis. Depending on your circumstances, you could also benefit from bursary support towards rail travel costs and further bus discounts. For more details and to access our bursary application form, please visit [www.brock.ac.uk/bursaries](http://www.brock.ac.uk/bursaries)

**Bus network**

Our network of 10 dedicated bus services covers areas not serviced by trains. For greater flexibility, college bus passes are also valid on some BlueStar and MoreBus services, with evening and weekend use included free of charge.

**Train travel**

Train passes provide flexible travel entitlement to suit any timetable. For 50% off daily and season rail tickets, make sure to check out the 16-17 Saver Railcard at [www.16-17saver.co.uk](http://www.16-17saver.co.uk)

**Travel to and from the Isle of Wight**

Student-rate ferry passes are available through the Wightlink and Red Funnel websites. Importantly, connecting buses and trains run from both terminals.

**Travel to and from Marchwood Construction and Marine Technologies Training Centre**

Our Marchwood campus is served by our dedicated C27 bus from Totton train station.

**More information**

Our information and advice service is available throughout the summer, and you can find out more about travelling to Brock by emailing [travel@brock.ac.uk](mailto:travel@brock.ac.uk)

Bus passes can be ordered through our online store from late July 2025. Please see [www.brock.ac.uk/travel](http://www.brock.ac.uk/travel) for guides, bus timetables, pricing and to purchase a pass.

For all travel enquiries, please email [travel@brock.ac.uk](mailto:travel@brock.ac.uk)



# HOW WE SUPPORT YOU AS A LEARNER

## ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT

We understand that sometimes you might need a little extra support to do your best. That is why we have teams of specialist staff on-hand to help you with your learning. This assistance can take a variety of forms and will be applied following detailed consultations with you about what you feel is necessary.



## SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

The Skills Development team is a group of dedicated tutors who are qualified to assess and support neurodivergent students and those with disabilities. The main aims of Skills Development are to identify students who require extra assistance and enable them to develop skills and strategies to perform at their best.

All students will be screened for additional learning needs. However, if you had special exam arrangements at school, or have obtained a statement of need from a medical practitioner or educational psychologist, then you should visit the Skills Development team during your first few weeks at college.

Initially you will have an interview with a tutor who has a good knowledge of your subject area. Then, through an informal chat and self-assessment process, you will agree a programme of support aimed at helping you achieve greater confidence and enhanced independent learning skills.

## Study skills sessions

Ongoing study skills sessions are geared towards tackling a range of challenges, including: time management, organisation, research, assignment writing, and revision and exam preparation. The team includes dedicated English and Maths tutors to help with any literacy or numeracy difficulties. The department can also provide advice on the use of assistive technology to support learning. All tutors are qualified to assess for special exam arrangements such as extra time and the use of reading software.

**“Skills Development has helped me throughout my three years at Brock. The whole team is very knowledgeable in their subject areas. I sometimes go to Skills Development with a lot on my plate and I always leave with a lot less to do.”**

**Charlie Williams**

Studied: Sport Performance and Excellence Level 3 Extended Diploma



### LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANTS

Our Learning Support Assistants are trained professionals who are available to help you get the most out of your studies and reach your potential.



### THE LODGE

The Lodge is an allocated quiet space for students with additional social needs. It is staffed by Learning Support Assistants and has proven very popular.



### LEARNING DIFFICULTIES AND DISABILITIES (LDD)

The LDD department supports the consultation, implementation and annual review of processes associated with EHCPs.

**“Thank you for your help with Sam’s first year at Brock. He has done so well to settle in and recently he has tried the college bus a few times. We are delighted with Sam’s first year and look forward to next year, confident that he is happy.”**

**Nick and Charlotte Dean**, parents of Sam Dean who studied Functional Skills.



### ORGANISATION

At college you will be far more independent as a learner than at school. Getting yourself well-organised from the very beginning is essential.



### TIME MANAGEMENT

Fail to plan and you are planning to fail. Keeping to deadlines and staying on track with multiple projects are key disciplines.



### LITERACY SKILLS

You will need to fine-tune your reading, writing and spelling abilities to meet the demands of A Level and Vocational courses.



### ASSIGNMENTS

Interpreting briefs accurately, gathering and collating information effectively, and writing clear and coherent reports, are fundamental to assignment success.



### REVISION AND EXAMS

Tools and strategies for effective revision set you up to perform at your best on exam day with minimum stress.



# HOW WE SUPPORT YOU AS AN INDIVIDUAL

We have a comprehensive network of support staff who are here to ensure you get the most out of your time at Brock.



**DEBBIE GRIFFITHS**  
Finance and Welfare Advisor

"I'm here to make sure you get everything you are entitled to have in terms of financial support during your studies at Brock. Finance matters can be tricky, but don't worry, because our team has the knowledge and experience to help. Common issues arise from things like travel expenses. However, sometimes students may need additional financial support to complete their studies. Whatever your query, my door is always open. I'll always be happy to listen and act – it's why I'm here."

**MINA PERONI**  
Head of School Liaison,  
Transition and Progression

"My role begins well before you join Brock. This means I will visit your school to support you in making your post-16 choices. I will then work with the wider college team to support your transition to Further Education. Once at college, I will ensure you are empowered to make well-informed decisions about your Sixth Form journey and your post-18 route to success. You can also benefit from our Progression and Higher Education Day, as well as receive support with your apprenticeship or UCAS applications."

**LEE MELVILLE**  
Pastoral and Welfare  
Manager

"I oversee the Safeguarding and Welfare team, which is just one aspect of the College's overall pastoral support package. I also look after a group of specialist welfare professionals that includes our Nurses, Counsellors, and our Student Liaison and Security Officer. My role is largely about managing daily safeguarding for our most vulnerable students. However, they are not the only people who can benefit. If you have a safeguarding and/or welfare concern relating to anyone, you can access support, advice and guidance through us."



**ALEX WILLIAMSON**  
Brock Hub Manager

"Brock Hub is your go-to place for many different kinds of help and support. It's an independent and group study zone, full of reading and tech resources, which is staffed by helpful people. It's also home to our Careers, Safeguarding and Welfare team, and our Student Finance team. Plus, there's LearningLab, which provides reprographics services, along with IT support from our learning technologists. Not only that, you can get support with referencing and research too. Finally, you can apply for personal items you can't afford thanks to our Brock Pantry scheme, which works on the same principle as a food bank."

**ALISTAIR LAMBON**  
Careers Leader/Advisor

"I'm the Careers Leader here at Brock, overseeing the Careers Education Programme. I'll work with you to help you identify and investigate all the career options that might be right for you. At Brock we hold the Quality in Careers Standard, which is a national award that evidences our competence in providing careers education, information, advice and guidance. This means you can be sure you will only receive relevant and up-to-date information. As a result, you'll be empowered to make well-informed decisions."

**FAYE PETERS**  
Student Services Advisor

"At Student Services we're here to take care of any practical day-to-day issues you might encounter. This means you can get straight back to what really matters – your studies. We're basically here to make life easier. Our team members are trouble-shooting experts in problems like travel disruption, a lost bus or train pass, funding issues and many other difficulties. No problem is too big or too small. So, if you need assistance, just turn up at our office and we'll get you sorted."



# PREPARING FOR YOUR FUTURE



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As specialists in 16–19 education, we have expertise in supporting students to prepare for their future, whether that be progression to university, an apprenticeship or employment.

## University planning

We will encourage you to attend Higher Education events both here at the College and around the UK. You can also meet representatives of around 70 universities who visit us independently each year as part of our Careers Fair.

## Careers research

Your career progression is high on our agenda from the moment you enrol. Whether you plan to study at university, or want to start your career straight away, our Careers Advice service is here for you.

## Work placements

Work placements can play a key role in your studies and can also play an important part in you securing a job or university place. Our trained staff are available to assist with tasks like CV-writing and obtaining a placement.

## Other events

Next Steps events are held throughout the year to help you learn more about your options and gain useful insights and advice.

These include: presentations from major national and international companies; seminars from industry entrepreneurs; university-led presentations on admissions preparation; personal statement seminars; and social media workshops.

## CLASS OF 2023 DESTINATIONS

Whenever you come to an end, you automatically create a new beginning. With that in mind, here is a breakdown of what 2023 Brock leavers chose to do next in order to follow their career aspirations.

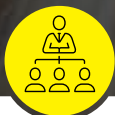
98.7% of leavers went into work or education after leaving Brock.

### Top Ten HE destinations for 2023 leavers:

- Arts University Bournemouth
- Bournemouth University
- Bristol University
- Solent University
- University of Exeter
- University of Portsmouth
- University of Southampton
- University of Sussex
- University of Winchester
- UWE Bristol

Apprenticeships and employment were also popular choices for leavers. Hospitality, leisure, engineering, construction, retail and beauty were among the most popular job sectors. Employer examples include: Tesla, Princess Cruises, Mercedes-Benz, Carnival UK and Sunseeker International.

Statistics are based on 2023 leavers. Based on 71% response rate.



### TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

We offer opportunities to attend a range of talks and presentations about important things such as finance, preparing for university, developing study skills and applying for apprenticeships and employment.



### TUTORIAL PROGRAMME

You will access progression information, advice and guidance through your tutorial programme. This will enable you to identify and understand the opportunities available to you after Brock.



### 'DROP IN' SUPPORT

You will be supported on an individual basis by our Careers Leader, our Employability Development team and our Progression Advisors. You can make appointments through Student Services.



### HIGHER EDUCATION VISITS

Our close links with local universities mean representatives from these institutions make regular visits to talk about Higher Education and how to make a successful university application.



### ENHANCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Specialist classroom activities will take place throughout your time at Brock. Each one will have a particular focus. For example, a scheduled activity could be related to university preparation, employment, or apprenticeships.



### PROGRESSION FAIRS

Throughout your studies you will have opportunities to visit a variety of fairs on campus. These include an HE fair with over 70 universities, an apprenticeships fair, and a work placement and volunteering fair.



**"There are so many opportunities at Brock. I guess the one that stands out for me is the Careers Fair, where you can just go up to potential employers and network with them. When you know a name and a face from an organisation, and they give you their card, it gives you the confidence to push on and network more."**

**William Pitman**  
School attended: Testwood School  
Studied: Business Level 3 Extended Diploma  
Now studying: Apprenticeship with KPMG



**"My favourite memories of Brock include attending English language conferences in London, watching Shakespeare at the Globe Theatre and attending university open days. These experiences have made me more curious and led me to explore my subjects in greater depth. I also attended modern languages open days at Oxbridge colleges. This developed my knowledge and taught me how to make a successful application to a Russell Group university."**

**Phoebe Elliott**  
School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Spanish, English Literature, English Language and GCSE Chinese  
Now studying: Spanish and German at the University of Cambridge

You can find information on our **Aspire Academy on page 26** and **Apprenticeships on page 105**



# ASPIRE ACADEMY

If you achieve high grades across your GCSEs, our Aspire Academy will nurture your talents and develop your abilities, giving you the best chance of fulfilling your potential. You will also benefit from university outreach initiatives, field trips, specialist Enrichment opportunities, summer school options and intercollege competitions.

As an Aspire student, you will work with your Aspire Tutor to develop a bespoke Study Programme that will enable you to grow into the learner and ultimately the professional you want to become. Importantly, you will have opportunities to participate in supra-curricular activities designed to enhance your abilities and support you in your quest for success.

Naturally, it helps if you know what you are aiming to achieve. However, many learners prefer to keep their options open at Further Education level. Therefore, do not worry if you are still undecided. We will help you develop that all-important sense of vision for your future.



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**"I was part of the Aspire Academy and took the opportunity to produce an Extended Project Qualification, which helped me develop my independent learning skills in preparation for university."**

**Kathryn Brooks**

A Levels studied: Maths, Biology, Chemistry  
Now studying: Biomedical Sciences at the University of Oxford

## Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

The EPQ gives you the opportunity to research an area of your choice beyond your A Level courses. It is equivalent to one AS Level (UCAS points) and can be studied in your second year.

You will develop your academic skills through the process of planning and refining your research to make a final presentation. Your project can be either a research project or an artefact such as a piece of music or a film script.

You will be taught and mentored in small groups. Every year students complete scientific and social science based projects. Past projects have included: The impact of pesticides on bee populations; Is the NHS being privatised by stealth?; Existentialism in the work of Dostoevsky; Women in Victorian society.

## HE+

HE+ is a collaborative project run by the University of Cambridge that is aimed at high-achieving first year A Level students.

The programme includes the following:

- Workshops led by academics and students from the University of Cambridge.
- Seminars delivered by academics from the University of Cambridge.
- Extension classes in a range of core subjects.

## Reading Scholars

Reading Scholars is an initiative offered by the University of Reading covering core and arts-related subjects, including some not served by HE+. You may apply for Reading Scholars in your first term at Brock.

The scheme gives you a tangible taste of life as a university undergraduate and provides practical support for the Higher Education application process. It also features input from leading academics, current undergraduate e-mentors and Reading alumni.



**"I joined the Robotics Enrichment and worked with a team to create a self-driving robot designed to compete at the University of Southampton. This taught me vital skills such as problem-solving and team-working."**

**Matthew Dyson**

A Levels studied: Computer Science, Maths, Electronics, Physics  
Now studying: Computer Science at the University of Southampton



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# STEM ACADEMY

**At Brockenhurst College we have a history of strong results across the STEM subjects.**

**So, if you want to gain added support for your STEM learning, then come and join our STEM Academy.**

## What are the advantages?

Our STEM Academy is designed to support students studying Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM), and promote high achievement.

If you are considering a career in science, engineering, medicine, veterinary science, or any other STEM-related area, then this extra learning opportunity is definitely one for you.

## Special activities

Being part of our STEM Academy means you will have the chance to participate in extra activities including competitions, trips and talks by visiting speakers.

Here are some examples of recent opportunities:

- British Science Week, featuring a range of visiting speakers.
- Community volunteer programme for medics and vets.
- Educational trips to Iceland, Switzerland (CERN) and elsewhere.
- Physics and Biology Challenges and Olympiads.
- Subject conferences and masterclasses.
- Support with special papers like BMAT, MAT and STEP.

- UK Senior Maths Challenge (individual and team) and Olympiad.
- University of Southampton Ambassadors programme.

## The Greenwood Bursary

The Greenwood Bursary funds university tuition fees for a Brock student who has excelled in STEM subjects and faces financial hardship. This bursary funds three years of a full degree course for a student who has selected a degree programme in a STEM subject.

The Greenwood Bursary may only be awarded to one student a year. It was established in 2018 by retired Lyndhurst couple, John and Marion Greenwood, who together have backgrounds in both engineering and education.



# SPORTS ACADEMY

You can continue playing the sports you love and develop as an athlete by joining our Sports Academy, where you will benefit from regular coaching, training and competition.

Currently we run academies in basketball, football, netball and rugby, enabling you to enjoy sport alongside your studies.

You will train twice a week and represent the College in county, regional and national events, giving you the constant thrill of hard-fought competition.

Importantly, all training and competing will be scheduled so it does not clash with your studies.



## Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS)

We provide added support for talented athletes in education under the TASS dual-career programme.

The scheme enables young people to get the very best from their sporting and academic endeavours without having to choose between the two.

Support services include physiotherapy, nutrition advice, lifestyle support, psychology, strength and conditioning coaching, and a private medical scheme.



## AFC Bournemouth Female Elite Player Programme

We work with AFC Bournemouth so women footballers can combine academic studies with a comprehensive football education programme.

The Female Elite Player Programme will allow you to access high-quality coaching, with a range of sessions available each day, plus regular Wednesday fixtures.

Meanwhile, your academic curriculum will be tailored to match your ambitions, with a range of A Levels and Vocational courses on offer.



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# PERFORMING ARTS & MUSIC ACADEMY

Our Performing Arts and Music Academy gives you even more opportunities to develop your talents in music, dance, acting and singing. You will also be able to improve your overall performance skills alongside likeminded people who will help you make the step up to professional or semi-professional level.

## Becoming part of the academy means...

You will have plenty of opportunities to gain additional performance experience through college productions. You can also choose to work for the College's Marketing department as a Student Ambassador, earning credits you can spend on campus. Both options will give you valuable material for your growing CV.

## Extra activities

We run a series of performance-related trips designed to inspire you and help you learn from others.

These include:

- Backstage tours of West End theatres and opera houses, followed by viewings.
- New York, where you will watch musicals on Broadway and take part in performance workshops.
- Local theatres, where you will see the latest plays, musicals, concerts and dance productions.



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"The College production was my highlight of first year – it was a fantastic opportunity for me to make new friends, gain new skills and enjoy my time onstage, performing to a public audience with an immensely talented group of people."

Olli Webb  
Studied: Music Level 3,  
English Literature A Level

"The Football Academy at Brock is well structured, has an excellent team spirit and we all have a good relationship with our coaches. The facilities are brilliant. For example, the pitches are first class and the range of equipment gives us various training options."

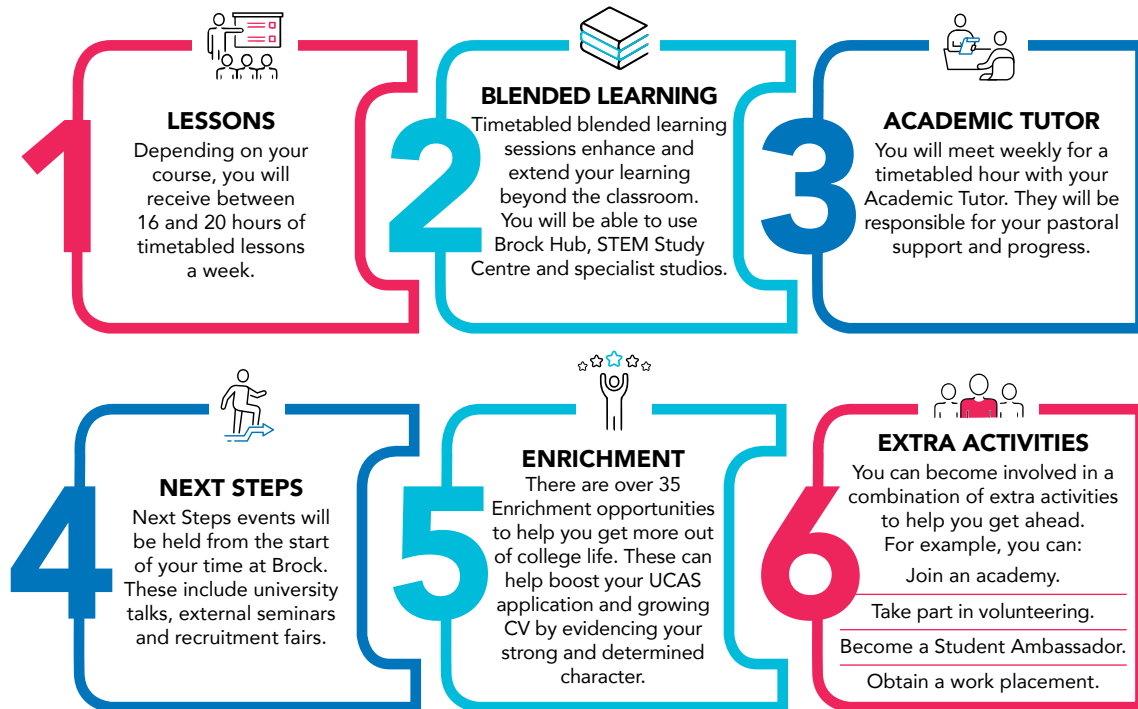


# YOUR LEARNING

Your Study Programme and our approach to learning work together to give you the study skills and support you need to get the most out of college.

## Your Study Programme

You will create an individual Study Programme (SP) that will serve as your overarching strategy for success. The main feature of your SP will be your subject or subjects. To complement these formal studies, you will add your choice of Enrichments and/or academy commitments. Weekly tutorials with your Academic Tutor will be another important SP feature. You will also use your SP to set targets for independent learning as part of our Blended Learning approach. This independent learning may be completed remotely or on campus. And, last but not least, you will have timetabled slots for engaging with our Next Steps progression initiative.



## Timetable example (Level 3 Study Programme)

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:00am – 10:30am	Psychology	Blended Learning	Study Period	Maths	Psychology
10:30am – 10:50am	Break				
10:50am – 12:20pm	History	Study Period	Psychology	Blended Learning	Maths
12:20am – 1:10pm	Lunch and Enrichment				
1:10pm – 2:40pm	Study Period	History	Blended Learning	History	Blended Learning
2:40pm – 2:50pm	Lesson changeover				
2:50pm – 4:20pm	Sports Academy	Maths	Sports Academy	Tutor Time	Study Period



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## Transitioning to college

Moving from school to college is an exciting moment in your life. Straight away you will notice that being at college is very different to being at school. But don't worry, because staff here at Brock are focussed on supporting you to make the best possible transition to our close-knit college community. They will support you to become an able, curious, independent learner, with all the attributes you need to be successful in your studies. Importantly, their commitment to you and their ambition for your future will enable you to plan your successful progression to university, employment, or an apprenticeship.

## DOUBLEUP

DOUBLEUP is central to your overall Study Programme. Level 3 learning is more demanding than GCSEs, and to be successful you will need to DOUBLEUP on your class time with independent study. For example, on an A Level programme you will have 4.5 hours of class time, so you will need to DOUBLEUP with at least 4.5 hours of independent study. Initially your teachers will guide you, making suggestions about how to DOUBLEUP. Reading around a topic, summarising your class notes and practising exam questions are all examples of DOUBLEUP that you can set yourself. Remember, you only get out what you put in, so invest in your future by committing to DOUBLEUP.

## Our teachers

Our teachers are experts in their subjects and specialists in 16–19 education. Meanwhile, all our Vocational course teachers have relevant industry experience as well. Each teacher is committed to implementing a range of learning strategies to keep you motivated and inspired. Thanks to this support you can explore your syllabus in depth, respond with sophisticated ideas, and ultimately translate your learning into success.



# BUILDING YOUR STUDY PROGRAMME

Calculating your average GCSE score will enable you to determine which Study Programme type is right for you. To do this, simply add all your GCSE scores together, then divide them by the number of subjects studied.

Here are some examples:

	EXAMPLE 1	EXAMPLE 2	EXAMPLE 3	EXAMPLE 4
GCSE SUBJECT	GRADE	GRADE	GRADE	GRADE
English Language	9	9	9	4
English Literature	9	9	8	4
Maths	8	8	6	4
Science (Double award)	8,8	7,7	4,4	4,4
History	8	9	9	4
Spanish	9	7	5	4
PE	9	8	4	4
Art	8	5	5	4
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>36</b>
Average GCSE Points Score (total/number of subjects taken)	8.4	7.7	6.0	4.0

What is the best Study Programme for you?

Average Score at GCSE*	3 A Levels or A Level Equivalent	Level 3 Vocational Course/T Level	Level 2 Vocational Course	Level 1 Vocational Course/PACE	Enrichment	Aspire	EPQ	Academies	Academic Tutor
7.0 or above	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5.0 or above	✓	✓			✓			✓	✓
4.0 or above		✓			✓			✓	✓
3.0 or above			✓		✓			✓	✓
2.0 or below				✓	✓			✓	✓

\*Please note, there are subject specific minimum entry requirements in addition to your average GCSE score. In order to study A Levels you must have GCSE English Language and Maths at Grade 4 or above. Please see page 8 for more information.



COURSES



# ANIMATION A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Animation is about fusing art with technology to achieve outstanding visual communication that conveys powerful messages. Mastering both traditional and modern techniques will give you the skills to work in industry sectors such as animation, VFX, architecture, marketing and game design.



## Course overview

This programme combines creativity, personality and technical ability with guidance on how to follow professional standards.

You will learn about historical contexts and discover important industry techniques like rotoscoping, compositing and 3D modelling.

Expert teachers will help you explore modern examples from leading production houses such as Blue Zoo, Studio Ghibli and Pixar. You will also examine and evaluate historical works by Max Fleischer, Industrial Light & Magic and Walt Disney.

Our Photomedia department uses Apple Mac computers, graphics tablets and professional-standard software such as Adobe After Effects, Toon Boom Harmony and Blender to give you a learning experience that corresponds directly with modern creative industry practices.

Plus, you will benefit from initiatives that take learning outside the classroom. These include visits to film festivals and top production studios, where you can talk to people working at the leading edge of this dynamic art form.

## As a student you will:

- Acquire a varied skill set in 2D and 3D animation, enabling you to bring original concepts and artistic visions to life.
- Examine animation processes, software and associated technologies, including drawing, story-boarding and photography.
- Borrow a range of cameras, lighting, lenses and tripods through our loans system to create reference images and videos for your animations.
- Access university-standard equipment and professional-grade software in our new Mac suites.
- Learn from subject specialists with industry experience who are passionate about passing their knowledge and skills on to you.

## Career and progression

Careers and opportunities in the creative industries are varied and include working in film and television, app/web design and graphic design.

You will create an extensive portfolio of work to evidence your progress in adopting different animation styles and answering various production briefs.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Fine Art A Level
- Graphics and Illustration A Level
- Photography A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths
- English Language
- Art and Design or another art related subject e.g. Graphics

## Where are they now?

Tommy Rhodes has used hundreds of hours of class sessions and independent study to learn advanced 3D mesh modelling, material shading and particle systems using Blender. This has earned him a place at Bournemouth University studying BA (Hons) Computer Animation Technical Arts.



"Having access to industry level hardware and software has given me a realistic grounding in what it is like to work in animation.

Also, we get to experience many different methods of animation, from traditional methods to more modern methods like Blender. My teachers are very enthusiastic and have industry experience, which gives me a quality learning experience to take forward to university."

## Olivia Jones

School attended: Applemore College  
A Levels studied: Animation, Fine Art, Maths

# ART AND DESIGN

These courses are opportunities to develop your talents in a suite of purpose-built studios under the guidance of specialist teachers. As a result, you will have everything you need to grow into a more skilled artist who can produce high-quality works of art.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

This course is aimed at you if you are keen to pursue a career in an artistic or design-related field.

You will learn through seminars, independent study, worksheets, artists' visits, location visits, group trips, experiments and project work.

You will cover many topics, including: painting, graphics, photography, 3D design and art history.

### As a student you will:

- Study key trends and movements in art and design, giving you a greater awareness of the artistic environment.
- Explore 2D and 3D materials and techniques to help you realise your artistic visions.
- Investigate graphics and illustration to recognise how they are distinct from fine art.

### Career and progression

Past students have found opportunities through work-related training programmes such as apprenticeships in photography, graphics, illustration, fashion, product design and multimedia. If you have completed the Level 3 course, you may decide to progress to Higher Education.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

2 YEARS

### Course overview

If you want to combine elements from many different types of art and design, then this is the course for you.

You will explore a range of creative areas, including: fine art, graphic design, fashion, photography and textiles. You will also investigate established artistic techniques.

### As a student you will:

- Explore materials, techniques, processes, ideas, concepts, communication through art and contextual influences.
- Develop techniques and skills through assignments that contain a range of challenges.
- Choose one of a range of specialist units to follow routes of personal interest.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Art and Design based subject grade 4

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Art and Design based subject grade 5

If you have previously taken Level 2 Art and Design you must have achieved a Merit or Distinction.

## Where are they now?

Lizzie Turner-Clark received a painting commission from musical theatre guru Andrew Lloyd-Webber. She applied to Arts University Bournemouth and received an unconditional offer to focus on her painting.



"I'm a very creative person, so being in a department surrounded by likeminded people feels like home to me. We work together to

provide constructive criticism, which is important for helping develop confidence. I always see the flaws in my work, whereas my teachers and classmates always identify the positives. It's a very healthy environment for a young artist."

## Jamie Marshall

School attended: The Grange School  
Studied: Art and Design Level 3  
Extended Diploma



# BEAUTY

By studying one of our accredited Beauty courses you can launch your career in this growing business sector. You will benefit from our close links with the beauty industry and gain hands-on experience at our purpose-built salon in New Milton.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

This programme is designed to give you a range of beauty industry knowledge and skills, enabling you to provide luxury client experiences.

Importantly, you will complete work skills training in the Ultima open salon sessions. You will also develop the communication and organisational skills essential for providing good customer service.

### As a student you will:

- Develop your techniques for providing manicures, pedicures, skincare, waxing, make-up and eye treatments.
- Demonstrate your knowledge about all health and safety issues related to the beauty industry.
- Gain an important understanding of the duties that keep a busy salon functioning.
- Improve your maths and English skills.

### Career and progression

These qualifications can lead to a variety of career opportunities, including becoming a beauty therapist or massage therapist in salons, spas and on cruise ships. With more training you could become a holistic therapist, aromatherapist, reflexologist, or acupuncturist.

## LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

Through a combination of practical and theoretical learning you will develop the skills needed to work competently, safely and effectively with a range of clients.

As well as learning therapeutic and complementary techniques, you will enhance your communication skills and study the business-related aspects of running an efficient and profitable salon.

### As a student you will:

- Acquire skills in body massage, hot stone massage, Indian head massage, aromatherapy and facial body electrics.
- Gain important knowledge about human anatomy and physiology.
- Complete assignments on complementary therapies, health and safety, and the beauty industry.
- Improve your client care and communication skills.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

You must be at least 16 years of age.

## LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

You must be at least 16 years of age and have completed the Beauty Specialist Level 2 Diploma.

### Where are they now?

Hazel Ball excelled in holistic therapy as well as beauty and went on to work as a Massage Therapist on Sir Richard Branson's private island in the Caribbean.



"I like the practical side of my course – being able to interact, use different tools and learn about them. I also like having one-to-one contact with my teachers

to help with assignments and gain more in depth explanations. We get opportunities to work with the public every Friday. This was daunting at first, but now I think it's great because I really feel like I've come out of my comfort zone."

### Colette Fox-Ford

School attended: New Forest Academy  
Studied: Beauty Level 2 and Level 3 Diplomas, Functional Maths

## OPEN EVENTS

ULTIMA, NEW MILTON

WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY 9 JULY

4:30PM – 7:00PM

# BIOLOGY A LEVEL 2 YEARS

If you have a passion for learning about living things, then Biology is the subject for you. It is a must for people wishing to pursue medicine as a career, and it will also give you a host of transferable knowledge and skills related to science generally.



### Course overview

A Level Biology gives you the opportunity to investigate biological phenomena from the smallest molecule to the largest ecosystem, resulting in a greatly enhanced understanding of this branch of science.

You will learn in newly-refurbished laboratories through a range of methods, including: lectures and experiments, group work and presentations, debates and problem-solving, and talks led by visiting biologists.

You will also explore 21st Century challenges, which include things like preventing the spread of new diseases, further improving public health and conserving our environment.

In addition, you can engage with our Vets and Medics Enrichment programme, which is particularly advantageous if you wish to pursue a career in medicine or veterinary science.

This is a rigorous academic subject with many different applications. Importantly, it sits well alongside other science-related courses.

### As a student you will:

- Expand your knowledge about chemical elements and molecules, plus the components of our diets that are essential for health.
- Acquire new knowledge about cells and transport using microscopes and experimental techniques.
- Investigate different types of enzymes and understand their importance to living beings and medical and industrial processes.
- Discover more about gas exchange, digestion, and the importance of surface area to volume ratios in living things.
- Explore photosynthesis, microbiology, homeostasis, nervous transmission and genetics in more detail.

### Career and progression

With A Level Biology you can go on to study subjects including: Veterinary Science, Medicine, Optometry, Nursing, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy, Sports Science and Zoology.

If you wish to study Biology at university, we recommend you study another science or maths A Level to support your application.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Chemistry A Level
- Environmental Science A Level
- Maths A Level
- Physics A Level
- Psychology A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths grade 5
- English Language grade 5
- Combined Science 6/6 or, if separate sciences, Biology grade 6 and a grade 6 in another science

**Please note**, that due to the amount of overlap with Medical Science Level 3, we do not recommend studying these two subjects together.

### Where are they now?

Keira Legg wanted to work in healthcare with patients but had decided against medicine as a career. She went on to study a degree in Cardiac Physiology at the University of Southampton having discovered the healthcare specialism while researching careers at Brock.



"My ambition is to become a scientific researcher. Molecular biology, particularly genetics, is something that really interests me, especially

its applications for treating genetic conditions. I am aiming to study Natural Sciences at Cambridge. My teacher studied the same degree, so she has given me some valuable insights about progression. I have also benefitted from being in an Aspire tutor group. This has helped me build the confidence to aim high."

### Daisy Colebeck

School attended: Bournemouth School for Girls  
A Levels studied: Biology, Chemistry, Maths



# BUSINESS A LEVEL 2 YEARS

If you have a talent for managing money and organising complex operations, then you might well be thinking about launching a career in business. Here at Brock we have everything you need to get off to the right start so you can reach your full potential.



## Course overview

This course will enable you to develop a full appreciation of how different organisations function. You will also gain valuable insights into all the major financial aspects of commercial and non-commercial moneymaking entities.

You will study modules in marketing, finance, human resources, operations management and business strategy. Plus, you will explore leadership and the role of managers, as well as environmental and ethical influences on decision-making processes.

As a result, you will learn to develop and apply a wide range of skills. Among other things, you will acquire a critical understanding of a variety of businesses, their markets and their external environments.

At Brock our Business tutors have extensive business and financial experience in some of the world's best known companies like Shell, Cartier and HSBC. Each one is passionate about bringing this dynamic subject to life using real-life examples.

## As a student you will:

- Investigate different concepts of what business is and why businesses are created.
- Evaluate decision-making criteria in relation to marketing, operations, finance and human resources.
- Explore the world of business, focussing on management and leadership to appreciate the main drivers in business.
- Gain important insights by assessing the financial strengths and weaknesses of different business models.
- Acquire new knowledge and skills for evaluating the strategic positions of different businesses.

## Career and progression

A Level Business is an asset if you wish to study for a degree in Business Studies, Banking, Accountancy, Retail Management, Human Resource Management, Marketing or Finance.

The knowledge and experience you will acquire will also lead to transferable skills that are valued by employers in most industries.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Economics A Level
- English Language A Level
- Law A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths grade 5

**Please note**, we do not advise taking this course alongside Enterprise and Entrepreneurship Level 3 as the modules overlap.

## Where are they now?

Jake Carroll achieved an A\* in A Level Business at Brock and is currently studying Business and ICT at University College London.



"I really like exploring and understanding how the things we learn about in class apply in the real world. I like to keep up with news and current

affairs, which means I can constantly relate my learning to reality and vice versa. I've always wanted to start my own company, perhaps in the video games industry. I also study Graphics, so hopefully the two disciplines will fit together neatly one day."

## Lewis Craven

School attended: Corfe Hills School  
A Levels studied: Business, Computer Science, Graphics and Illustration

# BUSINESS

These courses give you the knowledge and skills to obtain an entry-level role in business or pursue new business-related study opportunities. The main aim of both programmes is to give you a decent foundation for becoming a competent business all-rounder.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

**1 YEAR**

### Course overview

This course is designed to equip you with the knowledge and skills to progress to the next level of study or onto an apprenticeship. This includes how to present information for a business audience, how to do business online, multimedia design, and business skills such as writing a business plan and spreadsheet modelling.

You will also have opportunities to undertake practical projects, giving you the kind of hands-on experience employers want to see on your CV.

### As a student you will:

- Acquire a basic understanding of how businesses operate.
- Research and investigate different types of business in detail.
- Examine the various aspects of a business including marketing, leadership and team building.
- Undertake a work placement to gain experience.

### Career and progression

Many students progress to Higher Education to study business related programmes. Others secure higher-level apprenticeships or obtain full-time employment.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**2 YEARS**

### Course overview

You will acquire a detailed awareness of the way business decisions are made, as well as improve your analytical and problem-solving techniques.

You will develop employability skills and prepare for your next steps through formal lessons, your work placement and field trips.

### As a student you will:

- Examine the principles of leadership and management.
- Research different business models and their operations.
- Investigate how visual merchandising is used to promote the sale of goods.
- Create and develop marketing campaigns and plan a business event.
- Learn both business and personal financial management skills, which are vital for running a business, building your career and managing your personal finances.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## Where are they now?

Joseph McCombe sailed through multiple rounds of interviews to become a financial services apprentice at JPMorgan Chase & Co after studying at Brock.



"I really like the way my course is hands-on and practical, with lots of opportunities for applied learning. For example, we organised a charity Christmas cake sale at college that was well attended and made a profit. My teachers all have business backgrounds, which helps me develop the mindset I need to do this as a career."

## Sophie Gasnier

School attended: Noadswood School  
Studied: Business Level 3 Extended Diploma



# CHEMISTRY **A LEVEL 2 YEARS**

Chemistry is a challenging but rewarding subject that strikes a fulfilling balance between theoretical and practical learning. It is a particularly versatile study area that has many practical applications. If you like chemistry, this is your chance to take your understanding to the next level.



## Course overview

By selecting A Level Chemistry you can discover more about why chemical reactions occur, what factors affect their speed, and why carbon is the basis for all life.

You will also explore chemistry in context by looking at real-world applications and engaging with initiatives like British Science Week.

There will be lots of opportunities to perform hands-on work in newly-refurbished laboratories and gain insights into the relevance of chemistry beyond the classroom.

In addition, there will be significant maths and ICT components, giving you ample opportunities to develop and evidence your new knowledge and skills.

Importantly, your teachers will ensure you can receive additional individual support should you need it. We believe this approach has been fundamental to our past students' strong exam performances.

## As a student you will:

- Enhance your knowledge of the foundations of chemistry, giving you a sound basis for effective learning.
- Improve your practical skills to help you reach your potential in all aspects of the course.
- Investigate the rules of physical chemistry and transition elements to better appreciate how and why reactions occur.
- Uncover more about the periodic table and energy to better understand and explain important correlations.
- Explore organic chemistry to better understand the basis for life itself.

## Career and progression

This programme can lead to careers in medicine, pharmacy and dentistry. It is also useful for careers related to biological sciences and physics.

You will definitely need an A Level Chemistry qualification if you wish to study Chemistry, Veterinary Medicine or Medicine at university.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Geography A Level
- Geology A Level
- Maths A Level
- Physics A Level
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths grade 6
- English Language grade 5
- Combined Science 6/6 or, if separate sciences, Chemistry grade 6 and a grade 6 in another science

If you wish to study Chemistry at degree level we strongly recommend you take another science or maths A Level.

## Where are they now?

Dahria Kuyser decided to pursue a career in medicine while participating in our Vets and Medics Enrichment option. She now studies at the University of Oxford.



"I want to study Medicine at university, so doing well in Chemistry is absolutely critical to my success. My teacher is really keen on us doing as much practical work as possible, so every Friday we put the theory we have learned that week into practice. I'm in an Aspire tutor group along with three other people who want to study Medicine. We all participate in the Vets and Medics Enrichment as well."

## Jessica Drew

School attended: Cowes Enterprise College  
A Levels studied: Chemistry, Biology, Geography

# CHINESE **A LEVEL 1 YEAR**

You can gain new and improved writing, speaking, reading and listening skills in Mandarin Chinese by completing this one-year intensive course. It will also give you a rounded appreciation of Chinese culture. Importantly, to study this course you should already have studied Chinese at GCSE level.



## Course overview

Mandarin Chinese is one of the most important modern languages in the world today. This is because it is spoken by over a billion people and is a key language of business in the 21st Century.

A proficiency in this language could help you stand out in tomorrow's jobs market, giving you a distinct competitive edge to aid your career progression.

A Level Chinese will give you a strong foundation in communicating in Mandarin to help you integrate effectively with other speakers.

As well as having a native Chinese-speaker to teach you, at Brock we are the only Further Education institution to have been awarded Confucius Classroom status for the quality of our teaching in Mandarin Chinese.

By studying Chinese with us you will also become familiar with the defining cultural characteristics of China, which is a diverse nation and a global superpower. You will also debate current social topics affecting Chinese communities worldwide.

## As a student you will:

- Practise your skills in Chinese speaking, reading and listening.
- Understand written Chinese and develop your ability to transfer meaning from Chinese into English.
- Use the Chinese language accurately to express facts and ideas, and to present explanations, opinions and information.
- Attend Chinese festivals at the College, sharing your knowledge of Chinese language and culture with your community.
- Acquire awareness and understanding of the society, cultural background and heritage of Chinese-speaking regions.

## Career and progression

The ability to speak and understand Mandarin Chinese is a particularly sought-after skill in the Western business world. It can also be an advantage in career areas such as politics, tourism, marketing and hospitality.

Proficiency will give you enhanced opportunities to work, live and travel in China, which will improve your language abilities further.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Chemistry A Level
- Economics A Level
- English Language A Level
- Medical Science Level 3 Applied Diploma
- Physics A Level
- Politics A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

This course is available to native Cantonese and Mandarin speakers.

## Other courses of interest

### GCSE Mandarin Chinese

You can gain writing, speaking, reading and listening skills in Mandarin Chinese by completing this course, which is designed to cover all the basics. This course is for non-native speakers.

### FCSE Mandarin Chinese

This is a one year course for complete beginners. At the end of this course, you will achieve an AQA FCSE Chinese qualification, which will greatly enhance your CV or university applications as well as GCSE Chinese.

## Where are they now?

Zoe Brent obtained a degree in Politics and Global Studies from the University of Winchester, plus a masters in TESOL from the University of Southampton. She is now teaching English in Shenzhen, China, and plans to return to the UK to complete a PGCE course so she can become a fully-qualified languages teacher.



"Brock has Confucius Classroom status for Chinese, which is a mark of excellence. All my teachers are native speakers who love what they do and are willing to put in extra hours to help

us. This is a big deal for me, because I do my best when I'm motivated and inspired. I have already visited Hong Kong and am a big fan of Chinese culture."

## Thomas Price

School attended: Ballard School  
A Levels studied: FCSE Chinese, Economics, History, Politics



# CLASSICAL CIVILISATION A LEVEL 2 YEARS

If you are fascinated by ancient Greek and Roman mythology, society, history and politics, Classical Civilisation is the course for you. This is your opportunity to explore the foundations of our modern lives through themes and figures that will grip you with feelings of shock, admiration, pity and pride.



## Course overview

You will cover the period from the Bronze Age of Homer's *Odyssey*, through to the world of Cicero and Virgil in the First Century BC.

You will also study the history, cultures, religions and societies of these eras, and investigate parallels with the way we live today.

Lessons will involve analysing texts, reading and interpreting passages, PowerPoint presentations, individual work, group discussions and notetaking.

At Brock our Classical Civilisation teacher has considerable experience in her subject, along with close ties to the Classical Association through its local branch in Southampton.

Furthermore, we have solid links with academics at our local universities, which will help benefit your overall learning experience.

Each year we arrange trips to places of importance, including the British Museum in London, to help bring the subject to life.

## As a student you will:

- Explore the world of Greek tragedy to appreciate this emotive thread within the subject.
- Critically analyse the impact of politics in the late Roman Republic and how it facilitated the rise of the Emperor.
- Read and respond to the classical texts *Odyssey* and *Aeneid* to appreciate these landmark works of classical literature that still resonate today.
- Examine the role and position of women and enslaved people in ancient Athens and Rome to acquire a deeper cultural understanding of society in the classical realm.
- Understand the origins of Greek comedy and how it developed during the 5th Century BC.

## Career and progression

This qualification will enhance your chances of being accepted into university to study either Classics or subjects like History, Archaeology, Anthropology, Law, Ancient History and English Literature.

Also, the analytical skills you will acquire are highly valued in areas such as management, administration, the civil service, and the legal and teaching professions.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Drama and Theatre A Level
- English Language and Literature A Level
- English Literature A Level
- Geography A Level
- History A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Literature grade 5
- At least one other grade 5 in a relevant subject

## Where are they now?

Olivia Robson read History at King's College London and worked for English Heritage for several years after graduating. She now works as a Visitor Services Supervisor at Bath's Roman Baths Museum, helping to coach the front of house team in their presentation of Britain's best-preserved Roman bathing complex.



"My teacher really cares about how well I understand the course materials, always making sure there are no gaps in my understanding. She has opened a

whole new world of Greek and Roman mythology and politics that I can apply to the real world. I want to study Politics and International Relations at university, so studying Classical Civilisation at A Level gives me a wide appreciation of the inner workings of democracies."

## Ben Langenegger

School attended: Christ the King College  
A Levels studied: Classical Civilisation, Psychology, Sociology

# COMPUTER SCIENCE A LEVEL 2 YEARS

You can position yourself to be a future leader in computer-driven innovation by choosing this learning opportunity. From day one we will encourage you to develop the knowledge, skills and vision that will prepare you to harness the awesome power of modern hardware and software.



## Course overview

This course will enable you to gain a deeper understanding of the science of computing and the technical aspects of computer systems, helping you fill important gaps in your knowledge.

You will develop programming skills in C# by designing, writing and testing programs, using data structures and algorithms.

You will also learn about computer systems, computer architecture, communication, networking and databases.

At Brock we believe Computer Science is an academic subject that benefits from a systematic and logical approach. That is why we break down barriers to understanding by dividing areas into manageable chunks.

Importantly, our Computer Science teachers are computing enthusiasts with high-level problem-solving skills and a collective determination to encourage others. They will ensure you have access to all the hardware, software and mentorship you need to succeed.

## As a student you will:

- Acquire new knowledge about the fundamentals of programming, data structures, algorithms, databases, systems and networks.
- Develop a systematic approach to computer problem-solving, giving you key transferable skills.
- Learn about the theory of computing, including the advantages and disadvantages of different uses.
- Complete a practical project that will give you hands-on experience in a non-exam context.
- Benefit from access to the latest hardware, software and technical know-how.

## Career and progression

This qualification will prepare you for various computer-related university programmes, including: Computer Science, Software Engineering, Computer Graphics and Business.

People with computer skills are in high demand across all employment sectors. This means you can combine Computer Science with a seemingly unrelated subject to good effect.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Business A Level
- Electronics A Level
- Maths A Level
- Physics A Level
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths grade 6

There is no requirement to have studied Computing at GCSE level, but if you have, then we would like you to have obtained a grade 5.

You will need a systematic and logical approach to problem-solving.

It is also recommended that you take Maths A Level alongside this course.

## Where are they now?

Tom Cairns graduated from the University of Southampton with a first-class masters degree in Computer Science. He went on to found Realtime Trains, which is now the largest independent resource for real-time information on mainline train services in Great Britain.



"My teachers are really engaging and helpful. If I'm struggling with a new topic or idea, they always take the time to give me the individual attention I need.

Right now, I'm preparing for mock exams, and my teachers are helping me prepare by giving me practice questions and coaching me to give full answers."

## Hattie Collinge

School attended: Sherborne Girls  
A Levels studied: Computer Science, Business, Maths



# CRIMINOLOGY

Level 3 Diploma (Equivalent to one A Level) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

Are you fascinated by what drives people to commit crime? Maybe you are hoping to establish a career in the criminal justice system or a related area. If so, don't miss this opportunity to analyse and respond to the complex issues associated with criminal behaviour.



## Course overview

Criminology is an interdisciplinary subject, which means it crosses traditional subject boundaries. Indeed, it has strong relationships with Sociology, Psychology, Law, Business, Politics, Media Studies and Science.

As a result, we give you specialist Criminology teaching staff who have solid links with related subjects. This means they can draw on all their knowledge to provide first-class tuition.

You will complete a range of modules that build your knowledge of how social scientists look at crime. You can also learn how to launch campaigns that tackle issues around crime, or choose to outline the processes of our criminal justice system.

In addition, you will benefit from the insights of visiting speakers from organisations like the Police and Probation Service.

This course will enable you to develop specific knowledge alongside a host of transferable skills that will serve you well whatever you choose to do next.

## As a student you will:

- Gain insights into real-life crime to understand important aspects like motivation and *modus operandi*.
- Examine and respond to complex information about crime statistics source material, making you a better all-round analyst and commentator.
- Improve your skills of written and oral analysis through a range of learning strategies.
- Benefit from contact with teachers who have wide-ranging interdisciplinary experience, giving you an appreciation of the bigger picture.
- Meet and speak to professionals who work in the criminal justice system and associated areas.
- Visit a Crown Court to see criminal cases being prosecuted.

## Career and progression

After successfully completing this programme you could go on to study Higher Education courses such as degrees in Criminology, Criminology and Psychology, Psychology and Sociology, and Law.

Possible careers include roles as a detective, police officer, prison officer, young offenders officer, probation officer, security officer, or victim support worker.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Business A Level
- Law A Level
- Media A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

An interest in crime and criminal justice is essential. The most successful Criminology candidates will be able to look at criminal behaviour from an objective viewpoint.

## Where are they now?

Olivia Dent received a conditional offer to study Criminology at the University of Winchester. She is interested in the investigative departments of the Police and hopes to forge a future in this area after university.



"Criminology is an entirely different subject to anything I have learned before. Types of crime and biological theories are two areas that have really

interested me so far. My teacher always supports us by answering our questions in detail and giving us the freedom to conduct independent research. After college I would like to study Law, hopefully at Edinburgh, and potentially specialise in criminal law as a career."

## Aemilios Weld-Davies

School attended: The Swanage School  
A Levels studied: Criminology Level 3 Diploma, History, Psychology

# DANCE

Level 3 Extended Certificate (Equivalent to one A Level) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

If you love to dance and want to take your passion to the next level, then this is the course for you. You will learn about different styles, participate in team projects and have the freedom to explore your own choreographic ideas under expert supervision.



## Course overview

This course will enable you to perform, develop your choreographic skills, and study the work of choreographers both past and present.

As well as contemporary, jazz and commercial dance classes, you will study the history of dance. You will also participate in dance workshops led by guest teachers and watch various performances.

You will benefit from two studio theatres, a large performance space, four sound studios, two sprung dance studios, three rehearsal studios, props and costume areas, two Mac suites, and two lighting and sound gantries.

Practical technique classes will involve learning different dance styles such as jazz and contemporary. Meanwhile, theory lessons will involve analysing choreography, discussions, and preparation for assignment writing.

Plus, there will be lots of opportunities for improvisation, as well as solo work and choreography practice.

Importantly, your teacher trained at London Contemporary Dance School and has danced for Richard Alston Dance Company, the *Lido de Paris* and on cruise ships.

## As a student you will:

- Engage critically with professional dance works on film to help you develop your skills of appraisal and analysis.
- Improve your performance and choreography skills through group and solo tasks.
- Perform a group dance or solo based on a specific practitioner or style of dance.
- Enjoy the opportunity to visit New York and watch a Broadway show.
- Take part in professional dance workshops and visit local theatres to watch professional dance companies perform.
- Gain the opportunity to perform in Brock's annual Dance Showcase.

## Career and progression

This programme can help you secure a place on a dance course at university or a dedicated school of dance. It could also lead to auditions and teaching opportunities.

Dance has important links with human physiology, so this course can be useful for students wishing to study subjects like Physiotherapy, Osteopathy and Sports Massage at university.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- English Language A Level
- Fashion and Textiles A Level
- Medical Science Level 3 Applied Diploma
- Performing Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma
- Sport Science Level 3 Foundation Diploma

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

In addition, experience in ballet or contemporary dance is desirable.

## Where are they now?

Hope Germaine secured a place at London Contemporary Dance School to study Contemporary Dance. She has performed at Sadler's Wells in London, The Rose Theatre in Kingston and the Birmingham Hippodrome.



"I really like the practical nature of my course. We had the opportunity to perform a dance showcase recently, which was a public event. Having the chance to devise

and perform regularly has given me a lot more confidence to take my dance further. The course has also kept me fit, which is very important for maintaining stamina and technique. After college I want to attend a specialist dance school."

## Josephine Flack

School attended: The Island Free School  
A Levels studied: Dance Level 3 Extended Certificate, Fashion and Textiles, Music



# DIGITAL MUSIC PRODUCTION

Level 3 Extended Certificate (Equivalent to one A Level) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

If you want to combine your love of music with learning technical production skills in an industry standard setting, then this course is ideal for you. The main aim is to give you the confidence and ability to bring your musical ideas to life as a skilled and knowledgeable producer.



## Course overview

Digital Music Production is one of the few courses that fuses art and technology to both inform and inspire you. The programme covers a wide range of topics, including sequencing, mixing, mastering, and remixing.

You will learn about the fundamentals of music technology, critical listening and the latest industry-standard software. Importantly, you will develop your skills in recording, production and sound engineering through practical projects and assignments.

At Brock our Music Production teachers are highly experienced practitioners who also work in the music industry. They will guide you using a wide range of learning methods, including individual coursework tutorials, group tasks and peer evaluations.

You will benefit from access to recently refurbished recording studios and two dedicated Mac IT suites, as well as a host of other professional equipment. This includes microphones, controllers, audio interfaces and monitoring speakers.

## As a student you will:

- Become confident using industry production equipment.
- Capture, edit, process and mix material in a studio.
- Build an audio portfolio that will help you gain professional opportunities.
- Develop your skills in working with session musicians.
- Acquire a more highly-trained ear.

## Career and progression

Past students have progressed to a wide range of degree courses. These include programmes in sound recording and music technology.

In recent years, students have gone on to study at The Academy of Popular Music, Bath Spa University, ICMP, BIMM and Solent University.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Electronics A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Music Level 3 Foundation Diploma
- Production Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- A basic level of keyboard skills
- An active interest in music
- A willingness to embrace a broad range of musical styles

## Where are they now?

Adam Welch was the first Brock student to be named Student of the Year in Performing Arts and Music. He went to the University of Surrey to study on the prestigious Tonmeister course. Adam now works as a Sound Engineer for Arena Television.



"I've really enjoyed getting to grips with industry hardware and software. The course has given me a deep appreciation of how all the

different elements of recorded entertainment must gel together to create an outstanding final product. The studio is high quality and run by experienced teachers and a very helpful and knowledgeable technician. Between them they give me all the tips I need."

## Josh Carton

School attended: Bournemouth Collegiate School  
A Levels studied: Digital Music Production Level 3 Extended Certificate, Physics, Production Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma

# DRAMA AND THEATRE **A LEVEL 2 YEARS**

If you have what it takes to develop stage material and really communicate with an audience through contemporary performance, then we want you to build on your talent here at Brock. By learning and developing a range of theatrical techniques and methods, you will grow as a performer, director and performance practitioner.



## Course overview

This programme is designed to feel like a professional experience. As a result, you will work alongside staff who are professionally-trained performers and directors. They also have links to the industry and up-to-date theatre specialisms.

You and your peers will research, create, develop and rehearse contemporary performance work through scripted and devised studies. You will also evaluate the influence of live theatre and how to communicate with audiences using explorative stories and character themes.

From the outset you will study a range of plays, exploring styles of writing. You will develop your performance skills through workshops, practical research and group study.

Plus, you will develop your critical eye for live theatre performance through theatre trips, and participate in workshops run by visiting drama professionals.

Importantly, you will benefit from two studio theatre spaces, a large performance space, four sound studios, two sprung dance studios, three rehearsal studios, props and costume areas, two Mac suites, and two lighting and sound gantries.

## As a student you will:

- Investigate the techniques of a range of theatre practitioners to gain new theatrical perspectives.
- Explore three different performance texts in detail, investigating a range of social, historical and cultural contexts.
- Watch a breadth of live theatre performances, from traditional realism to more innovative contemporary work.
- Reinterpret an extract from a text for performance to develop and demonstrate your creative abilities.
- Produce three pieces of performance for examination: one scripted, one devised and one reinterpreted.

## Career and progression

A Level Drama and Theatre can facilitate your route into university, drama school, or could see you go straight into the theatre.

You will also develop higher-level transferable skills in terms of speaking, listening, reading, writing and analysing. These skills are sought-after by many different employers.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- English Language and Literature A Level
- English Literature A Level
- Film Studies A Level
- Music Level 3 Foundation Diploma
- Performing Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma
- Production Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Drama (preferably) grade 5 if taken or relevant experience
- Maths

In addition, an enthusiasm and ability for practical performance with confidence are required.

## Where are they now?

Georgia Silver gained a place at the Royal Academy of Dramatic Art (RADA) where she undertook a degree in Acting. She is now a professional working actor in London.



"I really enjoy performing scripted works. The adrenaline I get from a live audience's positive reaction is a real thrill. But I really enjoy

working to create devised pieces as well, particularly from a directing and character development standpoint. My teachers are particularly good at encouraging me to develop my performance skills. This allows me to take my ideas further and make a bigger impact with audiences."

## Finn Gabriel

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Drama and Theatre, Computer Science, Economics



Economics helps us understand how the world works, the issues affecting our daily lives, and how individuals and countries decide to use available resources. Tackling issues such as climate change, poverty, unemployment and access to healthcare requires deep economic understanding if we are to make the world a better place.



### Course overview

As a student you will explore how market forces work and how national economies are managed or even mismanaged.

You will also investigate inequalities in the global economy, why they occur and who they affect, plus the role of central banks and how governments can stimulate economic growth.

Questions of unemployment, recessions, inflation, government debt, underfunding of public services and market volatility will be high on the learning agenda as well.

You will use micro and macro-economic market models to explore current economic behaviour and make connections. In addition, you will develop a critical approach to analysing economic models and methods of enquiry, acknowledging limitations.

Importantly, you will learn from Economics teachers who have well-established backgrounds in the world of finance. These teachers are passionate about passing the benefit of their experience on to you.

### As a student you will:

- Study the UK and world economies and the issues affecting our daily lives.
- Explore reasons why markets fail in the free market system and what governments can do to solve this.
- Investigate different types of economic behaviour to understand different factors and how they interrelate.
- Analyse economic problems such as inflation and unemployment, along with the best policies that governments can adopt in these circumstances.
- Appraise economic models and policies to help you grasp the significance of different economic theories and dynamics.

### Career and progression

Past students have pursued university degrees in Economics and other business-related subjects, with many choosing career paths in finance.

The wide variety of skills developed through this highly respected and rigorous academic subject will also provide a solid foundation for a range of other degrees and subsequent careers.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Maths A Level
- Geography A Level
- History A Level
- Law A Level
- Politics A Level
- Psychology A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths grade 5

**Please note**, if you wish to study Economics at university you will need A Level Maths.

### Where are they now?

Chau Nguyen Huu achieved three A\*s at Brock and is now studying Economics at Yale-NUS College, which is a collaboration between Yale University in the US and the National University of Singapore.



"My course has taught me so much about how the modern, globalised world works. I already understand so much more than I did before coming

to Brock, and I can always relate what I've learned to what's in the news. I want to work in business in the future, so a good understanding of economics is essential for everyday decision making."

### Adela Nicholas-Breeze

School attended: Glenmoor Academy  
A Levels studied: Economics, Business, Product Design

You can establish a solid foundation for a successful career in Early Years Education by selecting this T Level learning opportunity. From day one you will work towards acquiring all the knowledge and skills you need, partly through our comprehensive work placement programme.



### Course overview

Studying for this qualification is a prime opportunity to develop theoretical knowledge and understanding of the education and childcare sector, as well as the holistic needs of children.

You will gain valuable experience of working in Early Years settings, which will ultimately lead to you obtaining your Early Years Educator status.

As a student you will focus on occupational specialisms in depth. You will then evidence your understanding through a series of external summary assessments under controlled supervision.

You will also benefit from modern teaching methods such as blended learning and flipped learning. Importantly, you will complete work experience totalling 750 hours alongside sector-specific units that you will complete at college.

Computer technology will play a leading role in enhancing your academic and practical skills. Other learning initiatives will include class debates, peer reviews and engagement with Early Years research conducted by the University of Chichester.

### As a student you will:

- Learn about safeguarding, health and safety and wellbeing.
- Participate in observation and assessment.
- Understand the principles of reflective practice.
- Support and promote children's play, development and early education.
- Explore the complexities associated with special educational needs and disability.
- Evaluate how to work effectively in partnership with colleagues, parents, carers and other professionals.

### Career and progression

This qualification can open doors to a wide range of rewarding career opportunities. It can also enable you to gain a university place to study subjects such as primary teaching and social work.

In addition, you can use your qualification to gain special recognition like Forest School and Beach School practitioner status. Alternatively, you could undertake further training with prestigious training organisations such as Norland College.

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 5 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

You must have undertaken a work placement for five days in an Early Years setting.

**Please note**, if you wish to progress to a teaching degree, you will need to have achieved a GCSE grade 4 in Maths, English Language and Science.

### Where are they now?

This programme is new, which means our students are still studying with us. They are receiving first-class tuition and mentorship from teachers who have highly relevant personal insights, including a wealth of knowledge related to Higher Education and career pathways.



"I've found the course is a good combination of college work and placement, which is so exciting and rewarding. I feel like the T Level is definitely

the fastest route to reach my goal of becoming an infant or junior school teacher."

### Jonathan Thring

School attended: Priestlands School  
Studied: Education and Early Years T Level



# ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS Level 2 Diploma 1 YEAR

You can achieve a recognised qualification in Electrical Installations by successfully completing this course at our dedicated skills centre, which mirrors the world of work. The programme is taught by expert teachers who all have industry backgrounds. Meanwhile, all course content is carefully calibrated to help you become an electrical installer with real industry potential.



## Course overview

Being an electrical installer is a skilled, responsible, well-paid job role, which is an essential element of the construction industry. As a student you will focus on gaining the attributes of a professional person who is fit and able to work in this field successfully.

Through practical work you will acquire and develop the skills needed for the installation of a wide variety of wiring systems and enclosures, including domestic, commercial and industrial.

You will develop a detailed understanding of health and safety, plus the principles of electrical science and electrical installations technology. In addition, you will acquire knowledge about the way the construction industry functions, giving you important insights that will help you find work.

Units will be delivered using a wide variety of teaching methods. Theory units will include lectures, group discussions, group activities and research tasks.

Practical units will give you understanding and experience of inspection, testing and commissioning, as well as fault diagnosis and rectification.

## As a student you will:

- Learn theory and practice to help launch or advance your career.
- Acquire important health and safety knowledge, which employers want to see in new recruits.
- Gain a broad understanding of circuits and wiring matters.
- Benefit from the help and guidance of industry-experienced professionals.
- Complete your studies in a modern, work-focused learning environment.

## Career and progression

Once you have gained your Electrical Installations qualification you may wish to progress onto a Level 3 course, which could in-turn lead to Higher Education.

Importantly, holding a recognised qualification in this area will make you a more suitable candidate for junior job roles and apprenticeships.

## Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language grade 4
- Maths grade 4
- Science

In addition, you should have a keen interest in a career in the electrical industry.

## Where are they now?

Joe Hatch completed his Electrical Installations course and then successfully gained and transferred to an apprenticeship. Joe found his time at Brock gave him a good basic understanding and starting knowledge.



"I like the practical side of my course, particularly the wiring side. I like using my hands and testing the final product

to know whether I have completed the circuit correctly. My teacher really helps me understand areas clearly, enabling me to achieve the best outcome. I really liked the science principles module because it gave me a challenge. In the future I want to be a marine electro-technical officer."

## Josh Paddock

School attended: Noadswood School  
Studied: Electrical Installations  
Level 2 Diploma, GCSE English

## OPEN EVENTS

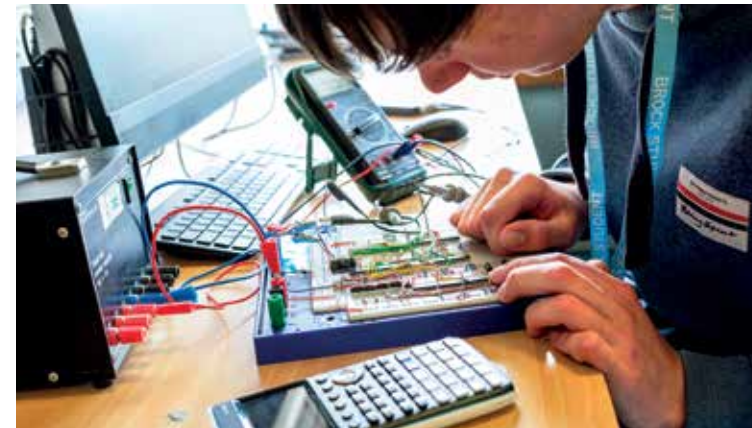
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AND MARINE TECHNOLOGIES  
TRAINING CENTRE

THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER  
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# ELECTRONICS A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Electronics is central to the technological revolution that has transformed all our lives. It plays a vital role in facilitating innovation and performance in a wide variety of sectors, from medicine through to the entertainment industry.



## Course overview

This course is based on exploring a combination of theoretical and practical approaches rooted in scientific and mathematical principles.

All theory will be taught through worksheets, allowing you more time to get on with those all-important practical tasks. At the end of each topic you will answer exam-style questions to ensure you are assessment-ready.

As well as learning the function of electronic components, you will build and test your own circuits.

At Brock we are proud to give you first-class facilities and resources for studying Electronics. As a student you will have access to your own set of equipment that includes: oscilloscopes, power supplies, signal generators, multi-meters, and all the components required for practical work.

We also place special emphasis on developing your skills in allied areas like maths and physics. This means you will have the right background knowledge to fulfil your potential.

## As a student you will:

- Learn the most important principles of electronics by working with both digital and analogue circuits.
- Work to understand logic systems, amplifiers and power supplies, as well as many other circuits and systems.
- Study radio and digital communications, as well as learn about microcontrollers and how to program them.
- Explore various applications for electronics to gain a real-world awareness of how to use your new knowledge.
- Build and test circuits in your first year before constructing and testing a large electronic system in your second year as part of your coursework.

## Career and progression

By becoming qualified in Electronics you can discover new opportunities in areas such as computer networks and the internet, mobile communications, aerospace and avionics, medical electronics, robotics, and industrial control.

Many students progress to university to study engineering, physics and computing courses, and all leave with a lifelong skill set.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Computer Science A Level
- IT Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Maths A Level
- Physics A Level
- Product Design A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths grade 5
- Physics grade 5 or Science 5,5

In addition, you are strongly recommended to take Physics or Maths alongside this subject.

## Where are they now?

Philip Renouf was selected by electronics giant Dyson to complete a new in-house engineering degree-apprenticeship course in collaboration with the University of Warwick.



"I'm aiming for a career in electronics, probably in the field of developing military hardware. I've really enjoyed learning about new circuits and

then building them and making them work. Physics and Maths are my other A Levels, and these combine well with Electronics. I've also completed an external A Level in Computer Science to further support my applications for a degree apprenticeship with a defence contractor."

## Daniel Gibson

School attended: Home Educated  
A Levels studied: Electronics,  
Maths, Physics



# ENGINEERING

If you are a practical person who likes solving problems using science, then you could open doors to a successful career in engineering thanks to these learning opportunities. Importantly, you will be taught by experienced engineers in purpose-built workshops.



## LEVEL 2 TECHNICAL DIPLOMA 1 YEAR

### Course overview

This programme combines written assignments, practical work and external assessments to help you acquire, demonstrate and practise new skills for a future in the engineering sector.

There will also be a strong emphasis on developing your knowledge and abilities, including practical skills and use of science and mathematics, to solve engineering problems.

### As a student you will:

- Gain a detailed introduction to the world of engineering.
- Study important principles associated with materials and manufacturing.
- Acquire the knowledge and skills you need to produce engineered products.
- Make and test electronic circuits, as well as simulate circuits using computer software.

### Career and progression

Whether you aim for employment, university or an apprenticeship, this course will give you a basis for progression. Past students have found opportunities with employers including: Ford, Lymington Precision Engineers, BAE Systems, Network Rail and Exxon Mobil.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA 2 YEARS

### Course overview

Engineering Level 3 builds on your understanding of mathematical and scientific principles through units that include design, electronics and mechanics.

You will also complete an Extended Project Qualification that will develop your technical and problem-solving skills, plus an additional maths qualification and four weeks of work experience.

### As a student you will:

- Explore the world of engineering: from mechanical to civil and electrical to vehicle or aeronautical.
- Learn about the design process and develop your design skills.
- Gain knowledge and skills in electronics through circuit theory and circuit-building.
- Study material properties and processing and manufacturing methods, plus how these affect product design.



## LEVEL 2 TECHNICAL DIPLOMA Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

You must be at least 16 years of age.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths grade 5
- Physics or Science 4,4

### Where are they now?

Luke Gibbs completed his diploma in Engineering and is now undertaking an Engineering Cadetship with P&O Ferries, where he is learning about the running and maintenance of a ship's engine room and all its mechanical equipment.



"Engineering has taught me various skills, from how materials are made to how to get started as an entrepreneur. Our work experience gives us a

realistic taste of a future career path. Meanwhile, my teachers have helped me to build the confidence, knowledge base and work ethic to achieve my future industry goals. After college I would like to do a Cadetship at university."

### Katelyn Tse

School attended: Glenmoor Academy  
Studied: Engineering Level 3 Extended Diploma

Please note that Further Education providers are awaiting confirmation from the Department for Education about whether this Level 3 course will be funded in September 2025. If it is not, we will provide an alternative qualification. For the most up-to-date course information, please visit our website.

# ENGLISH LANGUAGE A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Language is incredibly important. After all, we are judged on how we talk and write. In short, the way we communicate is an expression of who we are. If you are interested in the power of words, then this course is for you.



### Course overview

You will investigate the world of spoken, written and electronic language, including how technology changes English and the connections between language and thought.

You will also explore whether gender shapes our language, how we first learned to speak, and how English varies across the UK and the wider world.

As well as learning using traditional methods, you will take advantage of modern technology, using resources such as podcasts, blogs and social media platforms.

Group discussions form an important part of the course. These discussions will lead to enhanced powers of expression and analysis, providing a valuable interactive facet to the overall learning experience. You will also complete individual projects, through which you can study aspects of the topics we cover in greater detail.

We work with university Language and Linguistics departments to develop our teaching resources and to make sure our students are up-to-date with the latest research. When you combine this with our passion for teaching, you have a winning formula.

### As a student you will:

- Explore how language is used to create representation and meaning.
- Discover a greater sense of language diversity, helping you appreciate the significance of differences.
- Gain the opportunity to research language and produce original written work.
- Investigate how we first learned to speak as infants to acquire a deeper understanding of verbal expression.
- Undertake a research project of your choice that will be assessed formally.
- Assess how English has changed over the centuries, how it is still changing and how it may change in the future.

### Career and progression

Whatever your ambition, this qualification shows employers that you have a set of key transferable skills related to expression, accuracy, analysis and research.

English Language combines well with most subjects, particularly social sciences and humanities subjects, and it is ideal preparation for a career in diverse fields, including: business, marketing, journalism, public relations, forensic linguistics, law and politics.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Criminology Level 3 Diploma
- English Literature A Level
- French A Level
- History A Level
- Law A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level
- Spanish A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- English Literature grade 5
- Maths

In addition, an interest in the analysis of grammar and language is desirable.

### Where are they now?

Ashley Giles completed an International Relations and Politics degree and a masters degree at the University of Bristol. He is now a Communications Officer at Malaria Consortium, managing the charity's online presence and travelling in sub-Saharan Africa to document the organisation's work.



"I have particularly enjoyed exploring the contexts behind language use, including social and historical aspects. There is a wealth of opportunities

for class discussion about contemporary issues such as equality. I have also completed an investigation into how targeted language can help build relationships between advertisers and consumers, giving me a practical opportunity to apply my learning."

### Jamie Randall

School attended: Avonbourne Boys' Academy  
A Levels studied: English Language, Graphics and Illustration, Media Studies



# ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

A LEVEL 2 YEARS

By choosing this study option you can combine English language and literature, enabling you to enjoy both aspects within the same course. As a result, you will become skilled at writing and analysing, which are key transferable skills and lifelong assets.



## Course overview

This programme is mostly text-centred, with an emphasis on creative writing. You will study novels, poetry, plays and non-fiction writing.

You will explore spoken and written language in literary, non-literary and multi-modal texts of the 19th, 20th and 21st Century, guided by highly experienced lecturers who are passionate about English. In addition, you will have opportunities to explore styles and devices used to create narratives for both fiction and non-fiction.

Through discussion, research, study and reading, you will gain a keen understanding of the way other writers create meaning. Thanks to your detailed analysis of texts and in-depth discussions, you will also grow as a commentator and writer, producing sophisticated and creative responses.

As the course progresses you will acquire a greater understanding of how authors and speakers use their art to persuade you to think and act differently. You will learn to read as a writer and write as a reader.

## As a student you will:

- Enjoy a selection of novels, poetry and plays from the literary canon.
- Conduct a personal investigation into a specific technique in non-literary discourse and create your own non-literary text.
- Practise creative writing for both literary and non-literary genres.
- Analyse how language creates meaning in a variety of real-life discourses.
- Investigate sociolinguistic theories to deepen your understanding of how meaning is created.
- Develop your skills of analysis and complex expression.
- Evaluate the literary and linguistic techniques we use to create meaning.

## Career and progression

As well as enriching your life, this course will help you develop dexterity with language and enable you to become more aware of how language works in society.

Past students have gone on to study degrees in Journalism, Education, Literature, Linguistics, Creative Writing, Advertising, Public Relations, Marketing, Film and Media.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Drama and Theatre A Level
- Film Studies A Level
- History A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- English Literature grade 5
- Maths

In addition, an interest in the analysis of grammar and language is desirable.

## Where are they now?

Oscar Rousseau studied Journalism at the University of Westminster, and progressed to become a Multimedia Features Writer for William Reed Business Media. Other career highlights include reporting on the 2012 London Olympics, a corruption scandal in Brazil, and modern-day slavery in Thai chicken factories. He is now Deputy Editor for ITP Media Group.



"I like analysing text because I enjoy exploring people's intentions, the origins of their words and the impact they have on readers to this day. Historical

contexts are evaluated and discussed in detail in class, which helps with my interpretation of texts. Also, my teacher is very passionate about the subject, which motivates me to apply myself and succeed."

## Eva Joseph

School attended: Overseas  
A Levels studied: English Language and Literature, Biology, Sociology

# ENGLISH LITERATURE A LEVEL 2 YEARS

If you love reading and enjoy discussing the issues raised in literary texts, then this is the course for you. All literature, whether it is poems, plays, novels, or short stories, helps us explore and address aspects of human nature. It quite simply expands our minds.



## Course overview

You will explore the power of the written word by analysing a range of literature from different historical contexts.

Group discussions form an important part of the course. These discussions will lead to enhanced powers of expression and analysis, and will provide a valuable interactive facet to the overall learning experience.

You will also have opportunities to extend your critical skills by attending live performances by the Royal Shakespeare Company, among others.

You will study two texts from the American literary canon and compare representations of 1840s America with the Jazz Age of the 1920s.

You will also have the opportunity to study a Shakespeare play in depth, analysing a range of interpretations.

Coursework is an important component through which you will compare a post-2000 novel of your choice with a Tennessee Williams play.

## As a student you will:

- Indulge your interest in literature and literary studies.
- Examine different kinds of literature written in different historical periods by a variety of authors.
- Study literature across the forms of prose, poetry and plays.
- Improve your ability to critically analyse and respond to what you have read.
- Evaluate the contexts of the literature you are reading, along with other readers' interpretations.
- Enjoy informal class discussions on themes and styles, among many other important literary attributes.

## Career and progression

Whatever your ambition, this qualification shows employers that you have a set of key transferable skills related to expression, accuracy and analysis.

English Literature combines well with most subjects, particularly social sciences and humanities subjects, and it is ideal preparation for a career in diverse fields, including: business, marketing, journalism, public relations, the arts, law and politics.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Classical Civilisation A Level
- Drama and Theatre A Level
- Film Studies A Level
- French A Level
- Geography A Level
- History A Level
- Law A Level
- Media Studies A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- English Literature grade 5
- Maths

In addition, an interest in the analysis of grammar and language is desirable.

## Where are they now?

Anna Robinson was highly commended by Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, for her entry into its essay competition while studying at Brock. She now studies English at the University of Oxford.



"The course is very intellectually stimulating. This creates what I would describe as a warm, comforting environment where I feel totally at

home. We focus on exploring complex contextual issues arising from both classic and modern global literature. Class discussions have really helped me take my analytical skills to the next level. Meanwhile, my teacher has so much energy. She really cares and inspires all of us."

## Amelia Stout

School attended:  
Bournemouth School for Girls  
A Levels studied: English Literature,  
Biology, Geography



# ENTERPRISE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Level 3 Extended Certificate (Equivalent to one A Level) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

If you feel inspired by great entrepreneurs and are motivated to follow in their footsteps, then this is the learning opportunity for you. You will learn through an ideal balance of theoretical and practical study, giving you both working knowledge and valuable experience to take forward into the world of business.



## Course overview

You will examine how to appraise the viability of new ventures and then work out how to launch them in a scaled, systematic and financially efficient way, exploring all opportunities, risks and constraints.

You will also learn about the principles of free enterprise and explore the mindsets of notable business leaders.

Importantly, you will develop a wide range of transferable business skills that employers want to see in new recruits, including the ability to meet deadlines, manage your time, organise operations and work with others.

In addition, you will study both personal and business finance, giving you a background in managing business accounts and tips for managing your money.

## As a student you will:

- Learn about the underlying marketing principles that will enable you to pitch a product or service effectively.
- Create a marketing campaign for a business and evaluate its strengths.
- Develop the skills and knowledge you need to manage your personal finances effectively.
- Understand, analyse and prepare financial information for presentation.
- Explore the functions of organisations trading for social purposes.
- Gain practical experience of planning and running a carefully scaled social enterprise activity.

## Career and progression

This qualification is equivalent to one A Level, which means it can contribute to your UCAS score for entering Higher Education.

Having this qualification on your CV will also be helpful for gaining an apprenticeship or going straight into work in sectors such as finance or marketing.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- IT Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Law (Applied) Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

**Please note**, we do not advise taking this course alongside A Level Business as the modules overlap.

## Where are they now?

This programme is new, which means our students are still studying with us. They are receiving first-class tuition and mentorship from teachers who have highly relevant personal insights, including a wealth of knowledge related to Higher Education and career pathways.



"Having a practical, working knowledge of business and how business works is something you can apply in many different careers. My teachers always

explain things clearly and don't mind explaining again if I don't understand. I've really enjoyed creating my own business plan for a product, weighing up opportunities and constraints in order to achieve success."

## Loredana Rotari

School attended: Oak Academy  
A Levels studied: Enterprise and Entrepreneurship Level 3 Extended Certificate, Criminology Level 3 Diploma, Spanish

# ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE **A LEVEL 2 YEARS**

If you are interested in the environment and want to know more about the impact of human activity and how it can be minimised, then this course is for you. You will learn to think like an environmental scientist, helping you understand complex and interrelated issues.



## Course overview

This course will enable you to explore how our environment supports us, how support systems are threatened and how strategies for sustainability can be developed.

During your studies you will investigate issues like water shortages, deforestation, pollution and global climate change.

Then, once you have gathered your evidence, you will examine potential solutions to these problems. In addition, you will consider methods to conserve species and habitats on local, national and international levels.

Lessons will be a mixture of whole class teaching, group work and independent research that will lead to you presenting your findings in class. You will also learn through lab work, discussions and field trips.

At Brock we have taught Environmental Science for many years and have developed a wide range of resources and expertise. For example, we have newly refurbished laboratories and specialist teachers who excel at supporting exam preparation.

## As a student you will:

- Investigate the physical environment by looking closely at energy resources and pollution issues.
- Gain important knowledge about how society makes decisions about environmental issues.
- Evaluate contemporary environmental issues, systems and sustainability options.
- Understand the importance of basing research on reliable data to guarantee evidence-based analysis.
- Select a highly-relevant interdisciplinary science option to study.
- Understand the Living Planet Index and the impact of our use of resources.

## Career and progression

Your interest in the environment could take you along several career paths, including: ecology, wildlife conservation, environmental impact assessment, aquaculture, local government, town planning and transport design.

If you choose to progress to Higher Education, you will have opportunities to enter new fields such as ecotoxicology, climatology, geobiology and marine biology.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Chemistry A Level
- Geography A Level
- Geology A Level
- Medical Science Level 3 Applied Diploma
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths grade 5
- Combined Science or separate sciences grade 5 in at least one

## Where are they now?

Paige Petts is now a ranger at Aigas fieldwork centre, Scotland, having completed her BSc in Zoology at Exeter University.



"I want to be a marine biologist in the future, so I study Environmental Science alongside Geography and Biology. My teacher has told

me about opportunities to do marine biology apprenticeships overseas. Australia is one major option that I'm considering. But I haven't ruled out going to university in the UK, possibly a Russell Group university if I get the grades."

## Brooke Lynch

School attended: Twynham School  
A Levels studied: Environmental Science, Biology, Geography



# FASHION AND TEXTILES A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Fashion and Textiles is a visual arts subject that will appeal to you if you are interested in fashion, costume, fabric design and interiors. You will have opportunities to develop your skills and knowledge while compiling a portfolio of creative work that evidences your talents.



## Course overview

You will study current trends in fashion and produce original garments and textile pieces, helping you grow as both a designer and a maker.

You will have unrestricted freedom to experiment with different materials, techniques and concepts. In fact, we believe there should be no stylistic boundaries to limit your imagination.

As well as learning through workshops, you will work on your ideas using sketchbooks and design sheets like you would in a professional design studio.

You will benefit from teachers with a wide range of experience in the field of textile design, contemporary art textiles, and fashion.

You will build a unique portfolio of work by making use of quality facilities that include a dedicated studio and an in-house fabric shop.

You will also be encouraged to enter your work in competitions.

## As a student you will:

- Express yourself in areas such as fashion, theatrical costume, textile design and interior design.
- Grow in confidence through practical experimentation using a wide range of textile media.
- Benefit from contact with specialist tutors who will help you develop your textile skills and artistic vision.
- Visit galleries and museums to explore the work of textile artists and fashion designers.
- Acquire the practical knowledge and thinking skills to prepare you for your next step in art and design education.

## Career and progression

Past students have progressed to top universities for fashion and textiles, including prestigious institutions such as Central Saint Martins and London College of Fashion.

Over the past ten years our students have also progressed to BA courses in Textiles Design, Interior Design, Costume Design and Footwear Design.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Film Studies A Level
- Fine Art A Level
- Graphics and Illustration A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Photography A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- Art and Design or related subject (e.g. Graphics)
- English Language
- Maths

If you have not had the opportunity to study an art/design subject at GCSE, you may be considered on the basis of practical evidence.

## Where are they now?

Ella Gilchrist is studying at the University of Brighton for a degree in Textiles with Business Studies. During her time at university Ella has undertaken various internships including one at Burberry where she worked as a Fabric and Trim Intern.



"My course really allows me to express myself creatively. There is so much freedom, allowing me to create exactly what I see in my mind. My teachers give me all the right guidance to make good decisions, avoid problems and always make the most of my opportunities."

## Jocelyn Vivian

School attended: Glenmoor Academy  
A Levels studied: Fashion and Textiles, English Literature, History

# FILM STUDIES A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Do you love to immerse yourself in the world of film and then reflect critically on what you have seen? If the answer is yes, then this is your opportunity to get even more out of your viewing experiences and develop your transferable skills.



## Course overview

Initially you will be introduced to critical approaches for analysing film. These will give you the tools to form viewpoints based on academic theory.

You will then study genres including classic Hollywood, British film, horror movies and musicals.

You will also examine commercial and independent production, and assess new technologies. In addition, you will look at alternative forms of cinema and examine current media debates concerning the film industry.

There will be a lot of viewing involved, including exclusive screenings. Not only that, in your second year you will have the chance to visit Hollywood during Oscars week.

Our Film Studies teachers combine academic professionalism and seriousness with the infectious passion of excitable film anoraks. Each one is approachable, friendly and always happy to chat about movies.

## As a student you will:

- Acquire new knowledge of different types of film, giving you a much broader appreciation of the art form.
- Understand leading academic theories related to the study of film.
- Learn new production skills, including scriptwriting and storyboarding.
- Examine trends in the industry and become aware of the evolution of cinema as an art form and business.
- Compile a strong portfolio of research and written responses.

## Career and progression

This course provides a strong basis for progression to undergraduate studies in Film Theory, Film Criticism and Film History.

You will also develop a range of highly-transferable attributes in terms of critical analysis, while improving your written skills as well.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Drama and Theatre A Level
- English Language and Literature A Level
- English Literature A Level
- Graphics and Illustration A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Photography A Level
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language or English Literature
- Maths

In addition, an interest and enthusiasm for the academic study of film and the film industry is essential.

## Where are they now?

Mike Coggan has worked in various roles in the film industry and now runs his own production company. Some of his accomplishments include directing a TV advertising campaign, producing and directing music videos, interviewing Hollywood actors, and working on films such as Monsters and Street Dance 2.



"My teacher has made learning so easy and fun because he really makes the subject come to life with his enthusiasm. He has broken down difficult

concepts into easy-to-understand blocks. No two lessons have ever been the same, and I would recommend this course to any film lover who wants to learn and understand more about the art form."

## Rocco Reynolds

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Film Studies, Criminology Level 3 Diploma, IT Level 3 Extended Certificate



# FINE ART A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Our passionate teachers and first-class facilities will give you everything you need to develop your abilities in producing personal and imaginative works of art. If you have a flair for creating original artwork with a sound justification, then this is your opportunity to shine.



## Course overview

Fine Art A Level explores all aspects of the visual world. Its basis is about encouraging imagination and expression, but it also focusses on analytical research using historical and contemporary contexts.

Drawing skills are fundamental to the course, but you will explore other areas as well, including: painting, mixed media, relief construction, printmaking and lens-based imagery.

This is a very practical course. You will be encouraged to experiment, take risks and discover new ways of expressing your thoughts, feelings and ideas.

In addition, you will benefit from constructive feedback and advice through individual tutorials. There will be many opportunities for group discussion and critique too.

You will be taught by experienced teachers who have in-depth subject knowledge, including experience of working and exhibiting professionally. Furthermore, our spacious Fine Art studio will provide a professional-standard working environment similar to facilities at Higher Education level.

## As a student you will:

- Develop your ability to appreciate the visual world and gain the confidence to respond in a personal and imaginative way.
- Experiment practically using a wide range of fine art media.
- Visit galleries and museums to explore and evaluate the work of other artists.
- Acquire the practical knowledge and thinking skills to prepare you for your next step in art and design education.
- Undertake personal investigations into an idea, issue, concept or theme.
- Complete an externally-set assignment, enabling you to evidence your progression as a creative thinker.

## Career and progression

If you wish to study Art at university, you can progress to an Art and Design Foundation course or directly onto a degree thanks to this qualification.

It will also prepare you to study a wide range of degree specialisms such as graphics, textiles, illustration, animation and architecture.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- English Language A Level
- Fashion and Textiles A Level
- Graphics and Illustration A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Photography A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Art and Design or related subject (Textiles)
- English Language
- Maths

If you have not had the opportunity to study an art/design subject at GCSE, you may be considered on the basis of practical evidence and your interest in the subject.

## Where are they now?

Hayden Judd went on to achieve a BA Honours degree in Fine Arts from Chelsea College of Art. He then obtained a Masters degree in Fine Art from The Glasgow School of Art. One of his works is on display at the Scottish Maritime Museum in Irvine.



"Our teacher has led us through each project with great enthusiasm, helping us expand our ideas and develop our techniques. As we've progressed,

he's stepped back to give us more freedom to experiment – only stepping in if he feels we need fresh ideas. I've chosen a mock exam topic of clothes, which has given me the opportunity to delve into an area I've never explored before."

## Millie Jukes

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Fine Art, Law, Psychology

# FITNESS

If you enjoy exercise and want a career working with people in a physically active role, then these courses could be ideal for you. You will learn from experienced fitness coaches, take advantage of our extensive facilities and complete a work placement.



## HEALTH, FITNESS & EXERCISE INSTRUCTION LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

This course is designed to be a route into the personal training and sports massage sectors. You will cover a range of important areas from both theoretical and practical perspectives.

Learning methods are varied and include practical performance, producing a portfolio, and planning, teaching and evaluating fitness sessions.

### As a student you will:

- Learn about anatomy and physiology, covering the circulatory, respiratory and nervous systems.
- Gain a more detailed understanding of the benefits associated with a balanced diet.
- Discover important insights about the nature of the health, fitness and exercise industry.

### Career and progression

These qualifications can lead to various avenues of employment in the fitness and exercise sector. Following successful completion of your programme you could find yourself working as a personal trainer. Alternatively, you could opt to become a sports massage therapist.

## PERSONAL TRAINING & INSTRUCTION LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

By successfully completing this course you will be qualified to work unsupervised as a personal trainer in the UK and overseas.

This means you will be able to provide one-to-one training, baseline assessment, nutritional advice, and progressive programming that is specific to individual client needs.

### As a student you will:

- Study human anatomy and physiology to make you a more scientific personal trainer.
- Acquire skills for creating personal training programmes alongside clients.
- Learn about sports massage to pick up important new knowledge and skills.
- Gain confidence in leading outdoor group activities.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

In addition, you must be enthusiastic about exercise and fitness and attend gym or fitness classes regularly. You must also be at least 16 years old.

## LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths (grade 4) preferred

You must be a qualified Level 2 gym instructor and be at least 17 years old. In addition, you must have enthusiasm for exercise and fitness and attend gym or fitness classes regularly.

**Please note**, equivalent qualifications will be considered for mature students.

## Where are they now?

Gabrielle Hemsley graduated from the University of Kent with a first-class degree in Sport and Exercise for Health. Following this she worked as a Clinical Exercise Specialist and is now a Personal Trainer at PureGym.



"The teachers at Brock have helped me a lot in terms of developing my knowledge, skills and fitness. They have also improved my confidence to the point where I

now feel able to lead an exercise class on my own. My aim is to progress onto the Level 3 course here at Brock and one day be a self-employed fitness trainer."

## Amelie Wilkinson

School attended: St Peter's Catholic School  
Studied: Health, Fitness & Exercise Instruction Level 2 Diploma, GCSE English Language



# FOUNDATION STUDIES

Foundation Studies comprises a range of Entry to Level 1 courses that will help you develop your personal skills and prepare you for progression to other courses, apprenticeships, volunteering and/or employment. You will also continue to develop your skills in subjects such as English and Maths in preparation for adulthood.



## LINK

If you are a Year 10 or 11 student and you are not sure where to go next in education, this short course will help you.

It is designed to give you a real-life experience of college, as well as enabling us to assess whether college is suitable for you.

If you would like to take part in our LINK programme, please talk to your current school for details.

## Continuing Education

Continuing Education is designed to support you in moving on from school to become more independent by learning important life skills.

It is a one-year programme where you will work towards a certificate in either Personal Social Development or Vocational Study.

## Vocational Pathways

These are one or two-year progression pathways that cover a range of subjects alongside English and Maths.

Pathways include: Creative Media, Hospitality and Multiskills, and Independent Living Skills – a personalised course for post-19 learners.

## Workskills

This one year programme is designed to equip you with the skills and qualities you need to work towards gaining employment.

You will participate in a variety of core units that will help you develop confidence, employability skills and problem-solving abilities.

There will be opportunities to visit various places of work to help you make decisions about what kind of career route you want to follow. You will also complete a work placement.

## Level 1 Diploma

This learning opportunity will give you the knowledge and skills to help you move up to a Level 2 course, find a job or apprenticeship, or enrol on our PACE course.

You will choose a subject area from Digital Media, or Health and Social Care. You will also study English and Maths if you have not yet achieved your GCSE qualification(s) at grade 4 or above. You can also join an Enrichment.

## CONTINUING EDUCATION

### Minimum entry requirements

- This is an entry level course for learners with SEND. You do not need any formal qualifications.

### You will be accepted onto the course if:

- You have an EHCP and attend an interview with the Continuing Education course tutors.
- You want to improve your knowledge, confidence, social communication and independence skills.

## LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

The Level 1 Diploma is a Foundation course. Students are likely to have the equivalent of four GCSEs at grade 2 or Entry Level Certificates. You will need to attend an interview with the course team.

All Foundation courses will be based in our new Foundation and Independence Hub, which opened in 2023.

## Where are they now?

Lillie Howes started her learner journey at Brock on the Foundation Continuing Education course. She moved up to Level 1 Digital Media, gaining a Distinction and progressed to Level 2 Media, Level 2 Functional Skills Maths and GCSE English. She is currently studying Level 3 Media and planning to go to university.



"I really enjoy my course and socialising with people. I would like to work in hospitality in the future. My teachers have given me more confidence

in customer service skills and social communication. My focus has improved during my course and I now work part-time at my dad's restaurant."

### Hussain Ali

School attended: Oak Lodge School  
Studied: Hospitality and Catering vocational pathway and Level 1 Workskills

# FRENCH A LEVEL 2 YEARS

This course will enable you to develop your French language skills rapidly, while also gaining an in-depth understanding of the culture and society of the French-speaking world.



## Course overview

French lessons at Brock are varied, lively and interactive, using diverse learning strategies including discussion, group work, collaboration, research tasks and individual study.

You will be encouraged to speak French during your lessons as much as possible to improve your fluency, which will be enhanced further by weekly sessions with our native-speaking language assistant.

We will work with you from day one to develop every facet of your language ability. This includes pronunciation, intonation, grammar and vocabulary, as well as techniques for expressing yourself clearly.

You will have opportunities to explore films, literature, music, media, politics and more. Plus, you will examine issues related to technology, tourism, society and voluntary work.

We will also help you engage with resources such as video clips, magazine articles, websites, podcasts, songs and interviews, giving you a well-rounded and thoroughly modern cultural appreciation.

## As a student you will:

- Develop your listening, reading, writing and speaking skills through classwork and independent study, enabling you to communicate with increasing accuracy and fluency.
- Become more confident in your ability to hold a conversation in French through your weekly sessions with our language assistant, who is a native speaker.
- Explore topics as diverse as cinema, tourism, music, multiculturalism and politics in the French-speaking world.
- Sample French films, studying one in detail, to gain a deeper cultural appreciation.
- Learn to read a variety of fiction passages and get to grips with one novel in particular.
- Spend time exploring an area of French-speaking culture of your choice like film or literature.

## Career and progression

This programme will develop your analytical skills and your ability to express yourself clearly in the language, unlocking the possibility of studying French at university.

Successfully completing A Level French will widen your career possibilities, broaden your interests and stimulate your appetite for exploring other cultures.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Business A Level
- English Language and Literature A Level
- Geography A Level
- History A Level
- Spanish A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- French grade 6
- English Language or English Literature grade 6
- Maths

If you do not have GCSE French, we may accept prior experience such as living in a French-speaking country or using the language regularly.

## Where are they now?

Lizzie Thomas secured a yearlong job in advertising for Elle and Paris Match magazines through the university Erasmus programme. She currently lives behind the Sorbonne with French flatmates and is enjoying Parisian life. She will return to the UK to complete the final year of her French degree at University College London, and hopes to live and work in France after graduating.



"My French has developed so much at Brock. My teachers have given me so many resources and activities, developing my cultural awareness

as well as my language skills. The French native speaker has given me so many helpful tips on vocabulary and pronunciation as well. If I went to France right now, I could have developed conversations about major issues, as well as basic everyday things, which feels like a major breakthrough."

### Emily Arnett

School attended: Trafalgar School  
A Levels studied: French, Chemistry, FCSE Chinese, Psychology



# GEOGRAPHY A LEVEL 2 YEARS

At Brock we are uniquely placed to deliver a dynamic and stimulating A Level Geography programme. Indeed, being in the New Forest and close to the south coast means you will have ideal opportunities to explore this subject's breadth.



## Course overview

You will study a range of topics to discover how and why our world is changing, while also developing a variety of analytical and research skills.

Lessons will involve map, photography and data interpretation, plus presentations, individual work, group discussions and note taking.

Fieldwork is a key part of this course and you will complete four full days in the field, gaining valuable experience of collecting data.

Our staff members have vast experience in their fields, with some having taught internationally. They also have solid links with local universities, giving you opportunities to use additional resources.

Each year we visit sites around the UK to undertake glacial studies, and every two years we organise an international trip. Recent international trips have seen students visit Iceland, Morocco and Italy.

## As a student you will:

- Learn and develop a host of geographical skills that incorporate a range of analytical techniques.
- Examine glaciated landscapes to unlock secrets of how and why these giant formations occur.
- Study our oceans to obtain a clearer idea of how they have become contested areas.
- Explore a geographical topic of your choice and produce a comprehensive piece of coursework.
- Undertake a range of stimulating fieldwork at Hengistbury Head, Boscombe and the New Forest.

## Career and progression

Geography is a subject that encourages a wealth of transferable skills related to analysis, interpretation and data management. As such, it can be a key facilitating subject for a range of careers.

It also fits well with other science-related subjects and can form part of an established and respected route into Higher Education.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- English Language A Level
- Environmental Science A Level
- Geography A Level
- Maths A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths or Science grade 5

## Where are they now?

Laura Godleman won Brock's Hope Perkins Bursary to study at the University of Victoria in Canada. During her course she spent four months conducting wildlife and ecology research in Queensland, Australia, including around the Great Barrier Reef.



"I particularly enjoyed the module on glaciated landscapes, which was different to anything I have learned about

before. I want to do Geography at a Russell Group university, so I have taken the opportunity to engage with the HE+ scheme. Under this initiative, I have visited the University of Cambridge to attend a Geography lecture. Also, I have already started to think seriously about my UCAS application."

## Oliver Hession

School attended: The Bourne Academy  
A Levels studied: Geography, History, Politics

# GEOLOGY A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Geologists explore how the Earth works and examine global phenomena such as volcanoes and earthquakes, plus the occurrence of minerals and fossils. This is a dynamic subject, with hands-on work in the field and laboratory, and a chance to investigate scientific processes and theory.



## Course overview

Geology is an applied science that combines elements of physics, chemistry and biology with physical geography.

Learning involves examining rock and fossil specimens, scientific experiments and demonstrations, as well as field-based activities at many UK and international sites.

Furthermore, we will give you access to resources and data from the Geological Society of London and the British Geological Survey, which means you will study using the most up-to-date information.

You will also benefit from our links with Geology departments at Russell Group universities and well-known companies, giving you access to the most recent research findings.

At Brock we are the only institution of Further Education in our local area that offers Geology at A Level. Plus, you will be taught by a Fellow of the Geological Society.

In addition, professional geologists from industry, university lecturers and geo-consultants frequently visit the College to give talks about careers in earth science.

## As a student you will:

- Learn about the rocks and minerals from which the Earth is made, including igneous, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks.
- Acquire a wealth of knowledge about earth structure, earthquakes, plate tectonics and geological structures.
- Gain fundamental practical skills to support laboratory experiments and geological fieldwork.
- Explore engineering and environmental geology by looking at buildings in earthquake and landslide zones.
- Investigate real-world geology contexts related to geohazards and petroleum geology.

## Career and progression

This course helps open doors to a career in earth science. Currently there is a worldwide shortage of geologists, so many Geology graduates start their careers on relatively high salaries. There are also many opportunities to travel.

Past students have gone on to careers in groundwater supply, the construction industry, the oil and gas industry, and research in environmental geology.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Chemistry A Level
- Environmental Science A Level
- Maths A Level
- Physics A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths grade 5
- Science at least one grade 5

In addition, a general interest in geology and the history of how the Earth has evolved is essential.

## Where are they now?

Javier Carmona-Gordon studied Applied Geology at the University of Plymouth. He now works as a Geo-Environmental Consultant covering geotechnical and geo-environmental site work and reporting. Javier aspires to become a Chartered Geologist.



"Brock is the only FE college locally that offers Geology at A Level, which is a big reason why I decided to study here. Also, Britain is well-known for

having excellent university programmes for aspiring geologists. Geohazards such as earthquakes and volcanic eruptions are my main interest, but I'm also interested in mineral formations. My teacher is incredible at helping me understand."

## Idana Valeria Elías

School attended: Overseas  
A Levels studied: Geology, Biology, Chemistry, FCSE Chinese



# GRAPHICS AND ILLUSTRATION A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Do you have the creative flair and conceptual vision to move people? Perhaps you have always been good at visual communication and now want to channel that talent in a more commercial direction. If so, you could establish a successful career in graphics and illustration.



## Course overview

A Level Graphics and Illustration is about achieving outstanding visual communication. The course covers advertising, editorial, interior design, surface pattern design, animation, video game art, and concept and character design.

From day one your teachers will support you to expand your visual vocabulary and understanding of narrative and representation.

You will also learn by participating in collaborative workshops that cover areas such as relief printing, screen-printing, spray painting and typography.

In addition, you will have access to a graphics and art studio, where you will learn to refine your abilities in digital and traditional design processes.

To enable you to progress at your own pace we have created a range of videos on how to use design software, which you can access through your Student Portal. The College will provide you with an Adobe Creative Suite licence as well.

## As a student you will:

- Express yourself through images in new, innovative and personal ways.
- Develop your visual communication skills and analyse applications across different creative industry sectors.
- Engage with interactive online tutorials to develop skills and techniques specific to the tasks set in your coursework.
- Explore different means of visual representation, including relief printing, digital imagery and combined mixed media.
- Acquire research skills by exploring the work of different artists, illustrators, graphic designers, animators, character artists, pattern designers, concept artists and photographers.

## Career and progression

You will leave with an extensive design portfolio that will enable you to gain freelance work.

The course will also prepare you to study a wide range of degree specialisms such as graphic design, illustration, animation, surface pattern design, interior design, typography, photography, video gaming, video effects and architecture.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Animation A Level
- Fashion and Textiles A Level
- Film Studies A Level
- Fine Art A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Photography A Level
- Product Design A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Art and Design or Graphic Design or another art-related subject is essential. On rare occasions we will take on a student without a creative GCSE subject by looking at a portfolio of art, photography and design work.
- English Language
- Maths

## Where are they now?

Jake Williams graduated from the University of Plymouth with a degree in Illustration. He exhibited his work at Business Design Centre's graduate show and won their Young Designer of the Year award. Jake has since published his book: Really Remarkable Reptiles.



"My real passion in graphics is designing characters with unique personalities that engage and excite people. This could be for

video games, advertising, movies, books, or the next big media platform, whatever that might be – fantasy hologrammatic pets maybe... I want to go to a specialist arts university after college. This will help me develop my talents and experiment with even more techniques and concepts."

## Melissa Gale

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Graphics and Illustration, Environmental Science, Fine Art

# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE (Health Studies)

If you want a career in a profession that makes a real difference to people's lives, then one of these courses could be exactly what you need. Importantly, you will learn from teachers who have professional backgrounds in healthcare.



## LEVEL 2 AWARD

1 YEAR

### Course overview

You will benefit from a range of modern teaching methods such as blended learning and flipped learning.

Other learning initiatives include class debates, peer reviews and engagement with clinical research. These have been designed carefully to put you on the right track.

### As a student you will:

- Explore a broad range of health and social care values, giving you a heightened awareness.
- Learn about the importance of nutrition when it comes to health and wellbeing.
- Prepare for a successful career in a health and social care setting.
- Develop your skills of communication and understand the significance of effective communication in healthcare.

### Career and progression

Once qualified, you could seek employment as a healthcare professional in hospitals, residential homes, or in the community. The Level 3 qualification may also lead to degrees in Nursing, Midwifery, Paramedic Science, Physiotherapy and Social Work.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

2 YEARS

### Course overview

This course is designed to provide a broad scientific knowledge base along with the opportunity to study healthcare issues.

Computer technology will play a leading role in enhancing your academic and practical skills. Other learning initiatives include class debates, peer reviews and engagement with clinical research.

### As a student you will:

- Evaluate what it takes to meet requirements for individual care and support.
- Learn about aspects of the human life span and human development.
- Develop improved analytical skills by learning how to evaluate and reflect on practice.
- Explore health psychology and how psychology contributes to the management of health issues.

## LEVEL 2 AWARD

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

It is desirable that you have undertaken a work placement in a healthcare setting.

## Where are they now?

Joanne Curry was inspired by the work placements she undertook in care settings during her time at Brock. She gained a First in her Adult Nursing degree from the University of Southampton and now practises as a registered nurse.



"We had a whole day devoted to careers, which really opened my eyes to what might be possible. I found out about a biomedical science apprenticeship

with University Hospital Southampton, which I'm now researching. My teachers were the ones who inspired me to investigate this career path, and next year I will submit my formal application."

## Esme Durrell

School attended: Highcliffe School  
Studied: Health and Social Care Level 3 Extended Diploma, GCSE Maths

Please note that Further Education providers are awaiting confirmation from the Department for Education about whether this Level 3 course will be funded in September 2025. If it is not, we will provide an alternative qualification. For the most up-to-date course information, please visit our website.



# HISTORY A LEVEL 2 YEARS

The study of history unlocks the lessons of our past so we can apply them to our future. The subject is also about developing your analytical skills to enable you to evaluate different sources thoroughly, helping you access the truth and dismiss the untruths.



## Course overview

By choosing History you will explore three pivotal periods of world history: Russia from Lenin to Yeltsin (1917-91), Mao's China (1949-76), and Rebellion and Disorders under the Tudors (1485-1603).

You will also complete a piece of in-depth coursework on historical debates surrounding the Holocaust.

As a student you will use different sources to weigh-up arguments and analyse discrepancies. Importantly, you will become knowledgeable about significant events and the individuals who brought them about.

This course is rigorous and challenging. However, our teachers are adept at dividing the programme into manageable chunks to make your learning easier.

At Brock our History teachers are subject experts, with several having worked as examiners. This means they have all the right insights into what it takes to achieve top grades. As a result, you can expect to benefit from tuition and support that enables you to perform at your very best in both your coursework and your exams.

## As a student you will:

- Learn about leading historical figures and understand what drove them.
- Build a chronology in your mind that helps you set important events in context.
- Fine-tune your abilities in critical analysis, helping you evaluate conflicting sources of information.
- Develop your abilities in providing detailed and well-argued written responses to various contentious questions.
- Gain the opportunity to visit Berlin as part of your coursework module.
- Complete coursework on historical debates surrounding the Holocaust.

## Career and progression

A Level History is a popular subject that is highly respected by universities and employers because it develops important analytical and written communication skills.

An academic background in History will particularly help you with social science and humanities courses at university. The skills and knowledge you will learn are also useful for subjects like Law and Politics.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Classical Civilisation A Level
- Economics A Level
- English Literature A Level
- Philosophy A Level
- Politics A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- History grade 5, if studied before, or other relevant subject
- Maths

## Where are they now?

Henry Clitherow studied A Level History along with Law, English Language and Literature, and PE. In 2017 he graduated with a BA honours degree in Ancient History and moved to London where he did a masters degree.



"Learning about the recent past in Russia and China gives me important insights into the context of current world events. As a class we now see clearly

how history repeats itself under the right – or wrong – circumstances. Although History is a challenging subject academically, I find my course is well-structured, helping me break my learning down into manageable segments. I feel like my transferable skills in essay writing and higher-level thinking have improved enormously."

## Scarlett Roe

School attended: Bryanston School  
A Levels studied: History, English Language and Literature, Environmental Science

# HOSPITALITY AND CATERING

You can gain skills, knowledge and confidence in culinary preparation and service by completing a hospitality course at our purpose-built kitchens and fine-dining restaurant. You will develop your abilities in fresh food preparation, cooking, customer service, reception duties and serving.



## INTRODUCTION TO PROFESSIONAL COOKERY AND FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

You will regularly cook dishes and serve them to members of the public in our training restaurant.

This hands-on experience will help you refine your skills and grow in confidence. In fact, students often report that they have cooked dishes they never imagined they were capable of cooking.

### As a student you will:

- Acquire an introduction to the hospitality industry and the opportunities available both locally and nationally.
- Gain a sense of responsibility, helping you work as part of a team in both the kitchen and at front of house.
- Develop your social skills and an awareness of the importance of customer care in the hospitality industry.

### Career and progression

Past students have gained employment at prestigious dining establishments such as Grand Hotel Amsterdam, De-Vere Grand Harbour, Chewton Glen and Raymond Blanc's Le Manoir Aux Quat'Saisons.

## PROFESSIONAL CHEF'S LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA IN COOKERY, FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICE

1 YEAR

### Course overview

This course aims to give you skills in professional cookery and food service. You will also develop other essential workplace skills to become a chef or front-of-house supervisor.

In addition, you will benefit from hands-on experience thanks to our in-house restaurant, which caters for paying customers.

### As a student you will:

- Learn how to use professional equipment to produce a variety of dishes using a range of cooking methods.
- Acquire practical skills in both food preparation and cooking, and food and beverage service, in a realistic working environment.
- Gain an enhanced sense of responsibility, helping you work as part of a team.

## LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Two GCSEs at grade 2 or above or equivalent.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Successful completion of Professional Cookery and Food and Beverage Service Level 1 Diploma plus completing qualifications alongside or relevant English and Maths.

You will be asked to attend an interview where we will assess your suitability to join the programme.

## Where are they now?

Supatthra 'Suzie' Viriphan was selected for the UK WorldSkills squad after winning a gold medal in the Culinary Arts category during national finals. She now works at the prestigious, five-star Chewton Glen hotel in New Milton.



"At Brock you get to learn in a realistic working environment under the guidance of experienced chefs. The College's on-campus fine-dining restaurant,

MJ's, is a unique and special place. Our industry-grade kitchens and simulated work tasks give us a true experience of working at a high level, cooking for people who have high standards."

## Daisy Stammer

School attended: Applemore College  
Studied: Level 1 Diploma and Level 2 Diploma in Cookery, Food and Beverage Service



# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Level 3 Extended Certificate (Equivalent to one A Level) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

If you want to become more proficient in IT and computer systems, then this course is designed to help you unlock your potential and achieve great things. Importantly, you will gain both transferable and specialist skills that will support you academically and professionally.



## Course overview

You will develop your knowledge and understanding of the principles of IT and global information systems, giving you a broad set of new insights.

You will also investigate the pace of technological change, IT infrastructure, the flow of information on a global scale, and the importance of legal and security considerations.

This course is a blend of academic and practical learning designed to ensure you develop the skills required for Higher Education, as well as practical skills associated with the subject.

The content of this course sits at the leading-edge of developments in the IT industry, so you can expect to use technologies and techniques that are innovative and new.

Our IT and Computer Science department is well-equipped with up-to-date hardware and software, which means you will learn by using the same IT assets you will find in the modern workplace. Furthermore, all our teachers are subject experts who have specific areas of interest and expertise, helping you explore your specialist interests.

## As a student you will:

- Discover the fundamentals of IT, giving you the knowledge employers want to see in new recruits.
- Learn about cybersecurity to protect your systems against malicious threats.
- Look closely at the nature of global information, bringing you up-to-date with the modern world of IT.
- Find out how businesses capture and handle data, solve problems and support decision-making on a global scale.

## Career and progression

By attaining this qualification you will be a more suitable candidate for university, employment and higher-level apprenticeships across the full spectrum of industries – not just IT.

Past students have forged careers in areas that include: ICT, business, website development, game development and network engineering.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Business A Level
- Electronics A Level
- Enterprise and Entrepreneurship Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Maths A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## Where are they now?

Betsy Jennings studied at Bournemouth University where she graduated with a first-class degree in Information Technology Management. She is now a Business Program Manager at Microsoft.



"I've really enjoyed the work we've done on websites. We've also looked in-depth at how social media can be used in business marketing, and this is a potential career route for me. All my teachers are patient and always take the time to make sure I understand everything correctly. Ideally, I would like to do an apprenticeship in digital marketing with a leading company."

## Darren Mupati

School attended: The Bishop of Winchester Academy  
A Levels studied: IT Level 3 Extended Certificate, Core Maths Level 3 Certificate, Electronics, Product Design

# INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

At Brock we work hard to give you outstanding learning opportunities in IT to power your future career. Everything takes place at our £3.5m Beacon Technology Centre and is aided by our CISCO Academy membership.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

**1 YEAR**

## Course overview

This course is designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge to progress to your next level of study or onto an apprenticeship. This includes installing computer hardware, multimedia design and spreadsheet modelling.

Learning will be very practical in nature, with classes generally organised as workshops or computer laboratory sessions. You will learn through demonstrations, lectures, and by undertaking a variety of practical tasks.

## As a student you will:

- Develop your communication and employability skills.
- Study how to install computer hardware effectively, giving you key skills and knowledge.
- Work on application development tasks using industry-standard tools.
- Create data-driven solutions that evidence your constantly-expanding knowledge and skills.

## Career and progression

These learning opportunities will also make you a suitable candidate for employment and higher-level apprenticeships across the full spectrum of industries. The Level 3 qualification will open doors to Higher Education.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**2 YEARS**

## Course overview

This course covers a broad range of units that are designed to meet the needs of universities and employers.

You will be taught by highly-experienced lecturers with significant industry experience. They will emphasise the importance of problem-solving and the practical applications for knowledge using real-life briefs.

## As a student you will:

- Investigate potential ideas for new application development, from design through to prototyping.
- Apply object-orientated programming knowledge in C# to game development using Unity.
- Become proficient in full-stack web development, using HTML, CSS, JavaScript and PHP.
- Learn the fundamentals of Cybersecurity, networking and HCI.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## Where are they now?

Matt Taylor graduated with a first-class degree in Computer Networks from Bournemouth University and is now working as an Operations Engineer at Cognito IQ.



"My dream is to work in corporate cyber security at a high level. My aim is to obtain a degree from a top UK university first so I can fulfil this ambition.

My teachers at Brock give me access to all the latest industry hardware and software I need to learn well and secure my progression. They all take the time to explain things thoroughly if I don't totally understand at first."

## Maria Sanchez

School attended: Avonbourne Girls Academy  
Studied: IT Level 3 Extended Diploma

Please note that Further Education providers are awaiting confirmation from the Department for Education about whether this Level 3 course will be funded in September 2025. If it is not, we will provide an alternative qualification. For the most up-to-date course information, please visit our website.



Law has far-reaching implications that determine many aspects of our lives. From buying a bus ticket to working a shift, almost everything is underpinned by a legal framework. If you want to understand legal principles and apply them to real life, then this is the course for you.



### Course overview

This course will give you a substantial grounding in the English legal system and how it operates.

This means understanding different sources of law and how each may be applied. Among other things, you will study criminal law in some depth.

From day one your teachers will encourage you to think like a professional lawyer, helping you develop higher-level skills of analysis and critical reasoning.

Reading, essay writing, debates and presentations will all play their part in enabling you to develop a broad range of knowledge and skills.

You will learn from a member of the Bar of England and Wales. This means you will not just learn the theory of law, you will obtain an invaluable insight into the practice of law as well.

### As a student you will:

- Investigate the key aspects of the English legal system to gain a solid foundation of knowledge on which to build.
- Explore the role of law and gain a true appreciation of the rights and responsibilities of individuals.
- Understand the true meaning and reach of contract law and how it affects us all.
- Study the principles of criminal law and criminal liability to demonstrate a detailed knowledge of this area.
- Learn about tort law, which governs civil responsibilities.

### Career and progression

Law is not just for people who want to become lawyers. Indeed, you will gain a wealth of transferable skills related to analysis, interpretation and writing.

It is a rigorous academic subject that is highly regarded by top universities and employers from just about every sector.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Economics A Level
- English Language A Level
- Geography A Level
- History A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Grade 5 in another essay-based subject such as History or English Literature.
- Maths

### Where are they now?

Andrew Dewey secured a mini-pupillage at a Barristers' chambers during his time at Brock and independently arranged many court visits. He graduated from the University of Reading with a First Class degree in Law and is now training at magic circle firm Linklaters.



"My teacher Sarah Daykin is a practising barrister, and she has been instrumental in igniting my passion for Law. On her advice, I have attended Crown

Court proceedings concerning serious criminal matters, giving me some superb insights. Sarah has also pushed me to secure a mini-pupillage at a chambers in London. I cannot thank her enough for her support – she really believes in me."

### Mia Laraman

School attended:  
Queen Elizabeth's School  
A Levels studied: Law, English Language, Criminology Level 3 Diploma

Applied Law will introduce you to new legal knowledge and skills by placing a particular focus on legal practice alongside legal theory. Importantly, this course will encourage you to develop a range of sophisticated thinking skills, as well as highly transferable practical skills.



### Course overview

At Brock your lead tutor on the Applied Law programme will be a barrister and member of the Bar of England and Wales.

This means, she is obliged to stay up-to-date with all the latest legal developments, giving you confidence that your lesson content will be relevant.

Your teacher also has a wealth of court experience from her career to date, the benefits of which she is passionate about passing on to you.

You will learn how to craft strong arguments to prove that people are guilty beyond reasonable doubt in criminal cases and liable on the balance of probabilities in civil cases.

In addition, you will study various cases to understand the relevant law and how it was applied. You will also examine the impact of judicial decisions and debate any rights and wrongs with your fellow students.

This programme is modular as opposed to linear, which means you will be assessed as you go along. The course is split approximately 50/50 between coursework and exams.

### As a student you will:

- Explore how lawyers communicate with clients through written correspondence and draft your own.
- Examine case studies to understand the issues involved and the impact of decisions.
- Consider current cases, looking closely at the relevant law and how it may be applied.
- Engage in lawyer/client role play activities to better understand both perspectives.
- Create information leaflets aimed at clients that explain court procedures.

### Career and progression

Applied Law is designed to provide a fundamental introduction to the legal field that will support your progress to Higher Education. Alternatively, you can aim for an apprenticeship and ultimately employment in the legal or business sector.

This programme will also enable you to sharpen your critical thinking and writing abilities, which are both valuable assets for enhancing your general employability.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Criminology Level 3 Diploma
- Enterprise and Entrepreneurship Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Medical Science Level 3 Applied Diploma
- Sociology A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

### Where are they now?

This programme is new, which means our students are still studying with us. They are receiving first-class tuition and mentorship from teachers who have highly relevant personal insights, including a wealth of knowledge related to Higher Education and career pathways.



"I've really enjoyed the practical side of my course. We're trained to perform as if we're already practising solicitors, writing letters to clients and other lawyers

in our exams. My dream is to be a criminal barrister working in the Crown Court. That's my teacher's background, so she gives me all the insights and inspiration I need to take forward."

### Molly Goddard

School attended: St Aldhelm's Academy  
A Levels studied: Law (Applied) Level 3 Extended Certificate, Criminology Level 3 Diploma, Psychology



# MARINE TECHNOLOGIES Level 2 Diploma 1 YEAR

You can gain the skills and knowledge you need to specialise in the marine sector thanks to this highly-recognised learning opportunity. If you are practically minded, able to solve engineering problems, and are interested in technology, then this course could be for you.



## Course overview

This Level 2 programme focusses on giving you knowledge and skills in yacht and boat construction that will serve you well as you take your first steps in the marine industry. It will also allow you to specialise in a specific marine career.

The course is designed to be a 50/50 split between theoretical and practical learning, helping you acquire a sound basis for progression.

You will learn from marine experts at our skills centre in Marchwood, where you will be introduced to industry-standard tools, materials and processes.

Importantly, you will have the opportunity to take part in employability training and work experience, and be given the option of gaining a RYA VHF qualification and a First Aid qualification.

## As a student you will:

- Work with different engine types and gain a fundamental understanding of engine construction.
- Learn to use tools, materials and equipment safely in a marine engineering environment.
- Understand important mathematical processes that will enable you to work with accuracy.
- Interpret engineers' drawings, instructions and codes of practice.
- Acquire skills and knowledge for wiring and testing electrical equipment.

## Career and progression

This course is designed primarily for people wishing to progress onto a Level 3 apprenticeship as preferred candidates.

However, you can use the qualification to secure a junior-level job. Potential roles include: boat builder, boat fitter, joiner, painter, designer, boatyard manager and marine engineer.

## Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

Applicants should also demonstrate a positive attitude to learning and developing within the marine industry.

## Where are they now?

Charlie Bunday joined the Marine Technologies programme after successfully completing the Carpentry Course at Brock. He improved on his practical and academic skills and secured a boat building apprenticeship with Composite Mouldings Ltd. He is now part of the team making an advanced composite electric-powered luxury cruiser.



"My teachers have supported me by giving me all the information I need for my coursework. They have also supported me outside of college hours and helped

me gain a Cadetship with Trinity House. I like the practical side of my course – mainly using hand skills and working from an engineer's drawings. When I realise how much I've improved, it really excites me and helps build my confidence."

**Joshua Di-Leo**  
School attended: Ringwood School  
Studied: Marine Technologies  
Level 2 Diploma

## OPEN EVENTS MARCHWOOD CONSTRUCTION AND MARINE TECHNOLOGIES TRAINING CENTRE

THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER  
WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH  
4:00PM – 7:00PM

# MATHEMATICS A LEVEL 2 YEARS

If you like mathematics and feel confident with the work you have covered at GCSE level, then you will enjoy the challenges presented by this course. Our aim is to nurture your talent and help you develop your mathematical reasoning and problem-solving skills in both pure and applied contexts.



## Course overview

Mathematics is a subject that underpins many important fields of human endeavour such as science, technology, business and finance. As a result, an A Level in Maths provides you with a highly regarded qualification that can support you in further study and/or employment.

As well as learning pure mathematics concepts like coordinate geometry and calculus, you will explore applications through applied mathematics topics such as statistics and mechanics.

The focus of pure maths is very much on problem-solving, while applied maths will give you a taste of how mathematics is used in understanding and modelling the real world.

You will learn in dedicated, high-quality teaching rooms at our STEM Centre.

Every year top students take part in the regional Senior Team Maths Challenge competition, pitting themselves against teams from other schools and colleges.

## As a student you will:

- Study a combination of pure and applied maths including statistics and mechanics.
- Acquire mathematical problem-solving skills that can be applied to a range of disciplines.
- Harness technology in the classroom to help you visualise, model and solve a range of problems.
- Model and analyse the physical world around you using mechanics.
- Analyse statistical data, using these data to make predictions about future events.
- Gain satisfaction from mastering mathematical techniques and principles that will help you solve complex problems by applying reasoned, logical arguments.

## Career and progression

A Level Mathematics is essential for many university degrees such as Maths, Physics, Engineering, Computer Science and Architecture. It is also highly desirable for others such as Chemistry and Economics.

Importantly, this qualification shows universities and employers that you have the abstract reasoning and problem-solving skills that are required in many professions.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Business A Level
- Chemistry A Level
- Computer Science A Level
- Economics A Level
- Electronics A Level
- Physics A Level
- Product Design A Level
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths grade 7
- English grade 5
- Other GCSEs average grade 5.0

## Where are they now?

Max Bradford left Brock with an A\* in Mathematics. He is now at the University of Bath where he studies Natural Sciences. Upon graduating, Max hopes to begin a career in data science, focusing on advising businesses and providing technology and software solutions.



"I like having the freedom Brock gives me to work at my own pace. There's always a challenge available and I am always able to find help when

I need it. You can tell the teachers at Brock love what they do, which is what makes you enjoy your lessons."

**Amber Andrews**  
School attended: Queen Elizabeth's School  
A Levels studied: Maths, Biology, Chemistry



# MATHEMATICS (FURTHER) **A LEVEL 2 YEARS**

If Maths is your strongest subject, you will be interested to know that we give you the chance to study a Further Mathematics programme in addition to Mathematics A Level. This learning opportunity is designed to help talented mathematicians excel in preparation for university.



## Course overview

Over two years you will complete both A Level Mathematics and A Level Further Mathematics, acquiring two separate A Levels.

You will learn in dedicated Further Mathematics groups in both the first and second years, studying alongside students with similar abilities.

Furthermore, your lessons will take place in high-quality maths teaching rooms located within our state-of-the-art STEM Centre.

In addition to traditional classroom learning, we will give you extra opportunities for support and enrichment. For example, you may choose to participate in the regional Senior Team Maths Challenge competition, pitting yourself against teams from other schools and colleges.

We also facilitate trips to central London and elsewhere to hear stimulating talks by leading researchers.

## As a student you will:

- Study alongside similarly gifted mathematicians in a special class.
- Expand your set of skills and techniques for solving challenging number problems.
- Extend your knowledge of discrete maths and statistics to a deeper level than you would in A Level Maths.
- Develop your algebra and calculus abilities by learning about topics such as complex numbers and matrices.
- Improve your chances of being offered a place at a top university by evidencing your progress.

## Career and progression

This programme provides a springboard to studying mathematical subjects like Maths, Physics, Mechanical Engineering and Computer Science at degree level.

Many of our most successful leavers follow this course. This is largely because an A Level in Further Mathematics is a highly-regarded qualification that can support you in applying to top universities.

You can select this course alongside THREE other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Chemistry A Level
- Computer Science A Level
- Economics A Level
- Electronics A Level
- Physics A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths grade 7
- English grade 5
- Other GCSEs average grade 6.0

In order to study this programme you must also study Maths A Level.

## Where are they now?

Alex Forster studied Further Maths alongside A Levels in Maths, Physics and Chemistry, achieving A\*s in all four subjects. He always aimed to study at the University of Cambridge, and his ambition was fulfilled when he secured a place to study Mathematics.



"I have particularly enjoyed exploring the more challenging concepts related to maths, rather than just algebra and other basic topics. Complex numbers, hyperbolic functions and area of revolutions have all challenged me. My teacher is really good at explaining these concepts in great detail, rather than just skimming the surface. Ideally, I would like to do a Maths degree at Oxford with a view to launching a career in biomathematics."

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## Theo Mitchell-Innes

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Further Maths, Maths, Biology, Chemistry

# MATHEMATICS (CORE)

Level 3 Certificate (Equivalent to one AS Level) **AS LEVEL EQUIVALENT 1 YEAR**

Would you like to learn more about Maths and its applications? If so, this course could be right for you. As well as broadening your abilities, it will give you practical insights about maths that will help support you in a range of related areas.



## Course overview

Core Mathematics is a qualification designed to develop your problem-solving and mathematical reasoning skills.

It is a rigorous academic subject that many people choose in order to experience a sense of challenge and satisfaction.

You will study a variety of topics such as data analysis, personal finance, statistical modelling, mathematical modelling and cost-benefit analysis.

These topics have a wide range of applications and can support you if you are studying subjects with mathematical content like the sciences, Engineering, Psychology and Geography.

Core Maths is intended to complement your A Levels or Level 3 Vocational programme. The majority of Core Maths students study for this qualification in their first year.

Your lessons will take place in dedicated, high-quality teaching rooms at our state-of-the-art STEM Centre. Importantly, these rooms contain a range of both traditional and high-tech teaching and learning technologies.

## As a student you will:

- Gain skills in applied techniques including cost-benefit analysis.
- Learn about practical aspects of maths including those related to Income Tax and National Insurance.
- Work on problems where there is not always a definite answer, developing insights into the pros and cons of different solutions.
- Investigate the relationships between different sets of data using scatter diagrams and calculations of correlation.
- Use real data to discover and analyse statistical techniques, such as using the normal distribution and z-values.
- Harness technology to help you visualise, model and solve a range of mathematical problems.

## Career and progression

This course will help you build your confidence in performing calculations and solving real-world problems.

It will also help you develop your mathematical understanding and skills. This development can support you on other Level 3 courses and help you prepare for university.

You can select this course alongside THREE other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Business A Level
- Chemistry A Level
- Economics A Level
- Engineering Level 3 Extended Diploma
- Physics A Level
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

This course is usually studied alongside a programme of three A Levels (or equivalents), or an Extended Diploma.

## Where are they now?

Rebecca Smith studied Core Mathematics alongside the Health and Social Care Level 3 Extended Diploma, and is now doing a degree in Child and Mental Health Nursing at Oxford Brookes University.



"I'd like to work in marketing in the future, which will involve handling diverse data in high volumes. I'll also need to be skilled at interpreting the

data to draw accurate conclusions. This makes Core Maths the ideal subject to take in conjunction with my Psychology A Level. At my interview we discussed in detail how to create a Study Programme of complementary subjects in order to target a specific career."

## Amillie Ewin-Hill

School attended: Twynham School  
A Levels studied: Core Maths  
Level 3 Certificate, Fine Art, Graphics and Illustration, Psychology

# MEDIA

These courses focus on giving you theoretical and practical skills in a range of modern media production practices, partly through working on live briefs. You will learn from teachers who have professional backgrounds in media at our £3.5m Beacon Technology Centre.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

If you are aiming to establish a media career, then this programme will give you a sound basis for progression.

You will study a broad range of video and print production techniques, and develop the practical, hands-on skills to perform professionally, both individually and within teams.

### As a student you will:

- Acquire new skills in creating audio-visual media by producing trailers for a media product.
- Improve your visual language skills by experimenting with a range of photographic techniques.
- Explore the world of web design and find out what web users want.
- Gain access to a wide range of audio and audio-visual hardware such as professional-grade TV cameras.
- Develop skills in social media marketing, which is of fundamental importance to employers.

### Career and progression

Typical job and apprenticeship roles include web designer, social media marketer, graphic designer, video editor, camera operator, advertiser and animator. These programmes also represent established routes for Higher Education, creative jobs or working freelance.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

2 YEARS

### Course overview

This programme is designed to develop your creative, practical and managerial skills to ensure you can progress into the thriving media industry.

You will cover a range of media formats, including: videography, special effects, animation, graphic design and photography. By the end of your studies you will have compiled a professional portfolio.

### As a student you will:

- Gain skills in using a variety of industry-standard equipment such as cameras, lights and microphones.
- Improve your skills in using Adobe software such as After Effects, Premiere Pro and Photoshop.
- Attend workshops led by media professionals.
- Benefit from hands-on experience working for real clients.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

### Where are they now?

Lawrence Fish achieved a first-class BA honours degree in Film Production and now works as a freelancer. He has worked on many TV shows and films produced by the likes of ITV, BBC, Channel 4, Sky, Walt Disney Studios and Twenty-First Century Fox.



"The sheer variety of topics on this course has been a real eye-opener for me. I've particularly enjoyed videography and graphic design. Brock has also

given me opportunities to delve into industry level software. So far, I've used the various functions to create posters, trailers, documentaries, explainer videos, all sorts of media... I'm looking to study Film at university, so this course has been a very decent stepping-stone."

### Connor Fitzgerald

School attended: The Skills Centre, Priory Group  
Studied: Media Level 3 Extended Diploma

# MEDIA STUDIES

A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Media representations of people, places and events help define our world view and influence our behaviour. By acquiring a better understanding of media dynamics through Media Studies you can become a critical media consumer and a more skilled communicator.



## Course overview

This course will enable you to explore how various types of media operate to achieve their goals.

You will do this by critically analysing the way in which the world is presented to audiences on television, in newspapers, on the radio and online.

You will also acquire production skills in video, print and web design. These will equip you to create your own media packages, which you will then analyse and evaluate.

There will be a rich mixture of traditional teaching and cultural engagement opportunities. Plus, you will have access to state-of-the-art equipment to help you develop both your theoretical and practical media skills.

In addition, you will be able to participate in a range of field trip opportunities. Recent trip destinations have included: BBC Broadcasting House, the Barrandov Film Studios in Prague, the Berlin Film Museum, The Magical Mystery Tour in Liverpool, Media City in Manchester, and The British Board of Film Classification.

## As a student you will:

- Study media forms and products in detail, concentrating on TV, print and online media.
- Evaluate meanings and representations in the media to help you study with a newly-refined perspective.
- Develop practical production skills for use across a range of media.
- Acquire a critical understanding of media industries and their influence on our lives.
- Undertake a cross-media project to evidence your progress in the subject.
- Have the opportunity to visit LA during Oscars week.

## Career and progression

Media Studies can form part of your route into Higher Education, particularly if you are interested in pursuing a media-related programme.

This in turn can lead to a career in film, television, or newspapers and magazines. In fact, some of our past students have gone on to achieve notable success in media industries.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Film Studies A Level
- Fine Art A Level
- Photography A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

In addition, if you have studied Media Studies at GCSE we expect a grade 4.

### Where are they now?

Suzie Sherlock went on to study Cinematography and Film Production at Arts University Bournemouth. She is currently specialising in editing and runs a freelance videography company.



"I have really enjoyed investigating the depth of media available to consumers today. I have also enjoyed analysing how media interact to

create an overall experience that works on both conscious and sub-conscious levels. My teacher always takes time to go over elements of previous modules to ensure we understand everything ahead of our exams. After university I want to work in the film industry."

### Kayleigh Fensome

School attended: The Purbeck School  
A Levels studied: Media Studies, Film Studies, Drama and Theatre



# MEDICAL SCIENCE

Level 3 Applied Diploma (Equivalent to one A Level) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

You can expand your knowledge about maintaining health and preventing and treating diseases, as well as learn new practical science skills, by selecting this learning opportunity.



## Course overview

Medical Science is designed to further your scientific understanding through a curriculum with a clear medical emphasis.

You will learn through a variety of teaching methods in specialist laboratories. These methods include theory lectures, demonstrations, and practical tasks that will equip you with a range of skills.

The key topic areas will be health, physiology and disease. There will also be opportunities to study related areas such as pharmacology, physiological measurement, clinical testing and medical research.

Assessment methods comprise internal assessments and external exams.

Medical Science combines well with other science and social science subjects, plus you can select Brock's Vets and Medics Enrichment programme to support your learning if you wish.

## As a student you will:

- Explore scientific principles and applications to build a solid foundation for future studies in medical sciences.
- Gain a wealth of practical lab experience that will prepare you for higher-level study and work.
- Remain up to date with scientific advances by researching the latest applications for scientific theory.
- Acquire analytical skills for evaluating experiment results, giving you broader insights into why and how changes occur.
- Master practical scientific procedures and techniques to gain the experience required for a career in medical science.

## Career and progression

If you choose to study this course alongside other science subjects, you can establish a strong academic background for studying science at university.

With this qualification you can aim for employment in areas of medical science such as physiological sciences or clinical laboratory services. It can also form a useful foundation for a career in one of the public services such as the Police or Fire Service.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Criminology Level 3 Diploma
- Dance Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Environmental Science A Level
- Law (Applied) Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Psychology A Level
- Sport Science Level 3 Foundation Diploma

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths
- English Language
- Science 5/5 or separate sciences grade 5,5

**Please note**, that due to the amount of overlap with A Level Biology, we do not recommend studying these two subjects together.

## Where are they now?

Hesham Kisher is now studying for a masters after completing his Forensic Science degree at the University of the West of England in Bristol. His long-term aim is to become a genetic researcher.



"I love how I've learned so much about all the different subjects that come together to make up Medical Science. I've also enjoyed gaining

insights into how I might treat illnesses and how those illnesses originate and manifest. It's been a true joy to learn about how the human body works and how it reacts to different pathogens and environmental changes. Learning about different kinds of medical tests has been a particular highlight."

## Elena Barrett

School attended: Testwood School  
A Levels studied: Medical Science  
Level 3 Applied Diploma, Chemistry,  
GCSE English Language, Core Maths  
Level 3 Certificate

# MUSIC

Level 3 Foundation Diploma (A Level Equivalent) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

You can grow as both a musician and a performer, taking your skills and knowledge to the next level, thanks to this learning opportunity. Importantly, you will feel right at home in our close community of likeminded musicians who all share the same passion.



## Course overview

You will be able to develop your understanding and abilities in performing and composing in a variety of music styles.

As well as group lessons and discussions, this programme will involve exploring the music industry and preparing for a possible career in music.

You will also develop your music reading and performing abilities to a high level, benefit from lessons and coaching sessions, and become involved in a wide range of performances.

Our large Music department gives you the ideal environment to develop your musical skills by performing with others in groups and ensembles.

In addition, you will benefit from our various music rooms and resources. These include Mac computers running Logic and Sibelius software, Bösendorfer, Bechstein and Yamaha pianos, recording studios, drum studios, and well-equipped teaching and practice rooms.

## As a student you will:

- Work on your individual performance skills to become a more confident musician.
- Complete composing tasks to develop your potential as a writer/arranger.
- Learn to use industry standard software to write and arrange music.
- Develop your skills of critical analysis by appraising different works.
- Expand your understanding of music theory.
- Build on your understanding of the music industry.

## Career and progression

In recent years our A Level musicians have gone on to study at a wide range of prestigious institutions.

These include: Royal Academy of Music, Royal College of Music, Trinity School of Music, Cardiff University, The University of Manchester and Royal Conservatoire of Scotland.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Digital Music Production Level 3 Extended Certificate
- English Language A Level
- Performing Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths
- Music (preferably grade 5)

Instrument or voice to the equivalent of grade 5 is essential, and some keyboard or piano skills are desirable.

This course is equivalent to one-and-a-half A Levels in UCAS points. You will need to complete TWO other A Levels alongside this course to build a full Study Programme.

## Where are they now?

Huw Montague Rendall went on to study at the Royal College of Music after Brock, and then graduated in 2018 from the International Opera Studio in Zurich. He now works as a freelance opera singer, singing in the most prestigious opera houses in Europe.



"I've really enjoyed exploring a range of styles and having the freedom to compose unique pieces. There's a real community spirit on the course because we're

all music enthusiasts. We collaborate on performances and help each other with ideas. My teacher is always challenging me to experiment with different styles in both composition and performance. She's also supporting me with the process of applying to study Vocal Studies at a conservatoire after college."

## Lily Visser

School attended: Talbot Heath  
A Levels studied: Music, Drama and Theatre, French

# MUSIC

 Level 3 Extended Diploma **2 YEARS**

This learning opportunity is designed for musicians of all backgrounds. It will enable you to explore your interests and develop your talents in collaboration with likeminded people in a close-knit community of music enthusiasts.



## Course overview

This course is designed for practical musicians. Generally it is aimed at performers, but it will also suit you if you have other musical interests such as composing, recording and using music technology.

As a student you will be able to develop your musical ability, critical analysis and recording skills thanks to teachers with professional experience in their subject areas.

Students on this course usually come from diverse musical backgrounds. As well as continuing to work on performance skills, both as a soloist and within ensembles, you will work on a range of key music industry disciplines.

At Brock our large Music department gives you the ideal environment to develop your musical skills by performing in groups alongside your peers.

Facilities include modern Mac computers running Logic & Sibelius software, Bösendorfer, Bechstein & Yamaha pianos, recording studios and drum studios, plus well-equipped teaching and practice rooms.

**DID YOU KNOW?** We also offer a Level 2 Diploma in Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills, which is ideal for musicians who are not yet ready for a Level 3 qualification. Once you have successfully completed the Level 2 programme, you can enrol on our Music Level 3 Extended Diploma. Please see page 85 for full details.

## As a student you will:

- Learn about technical systems to help you refine your recording abilities.
- Compose and arrange music more competently for better results.
- Evaluate the significance of music in society and reflect on its benefits.
- Discover more about music event management to give you a solid grounding in organising performances.
- Complete a specialist subject investigation in an area of particular interest to you.
- Master music notation software to aid you in composing and arranging.

## Career and progression

If you intend to go straight into employment or an apprenticeship, you will find the digital elements of this course particularly beneficial.

In recent years our students have gone on to study at a range of Higher Education institutions such as the British & Irish Modern Music Institute, the Academy of Contemporary Music and Solent University.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

In addition, you must be able to play one instrument at a very competent level.

Music grade assessments and grades at GCSE Music are not necessary.

You must also have an interest in the general study of music and the music business.

We welcome applications from students who are primarily interested in Rap, MC or vocal performance, but they must be able to demonstrate basic ability on the keyboard or guitar along with a basic understanding of music theory.

You will be required to attend an audition to join this programme.

## Where are they now?

Jack Kaye and Chris Smith are members of the indie band The Magic Gang. In 2018 the band released its first album on Yala! Records and was nominated for the Best New Artist award at the NME Awards.



"My course is practical based, which makes it good fun. I've enjoyed meeting other musicians, collaborating with them and performing

alongside them in front of live audiences. I play the piano, and jazz is my main passion. There's a well-equipped recording studio here, which we can use to record whatever we want. There's also loads of practice rooms. I'm aiming to apply to study at a conservatoire after college."

### Oscar Brady

School attended: The Swanage School  
Studied: Music Level 3 Extended Diploma

# PACE

 (Pathway to Apprenticeships, College and Employment) **1 YEAR**

You can take a big step towards achieving your long-term career goals by completing the PACE course. Whether you are aiming for a first job or an apprenticeship, the PACE course will build your confidence, develop your core skills and show employers that you have real potential.



## Course overview

PACE is about giving you work skills preparation and a high-quality work experience placement, as well as training in English and Maths.

You may not need to study all these elements, which is why the PACE course is individually tailored to suit you.

Importantly, you will gain a nationally-recognised qualification that will strengthen your job applications and help alert employers to your suitability for a range of roles.

From the outset, your specially-trained teachers will be there to provide all the help and support you need to do your very best.

## As a student you will:

- Achieve a recognised qualification.
- Develop key skills of literacy and numeracy.
- Undertake a work placement.
- Gain more confidence in your abilities.
- Pick up job search and interview skills.
- Become better at working as part of a team.
- Improve your communication skills.
- Understand more about healthy living.
- Acquire important health and safety knowledge.
- Plan your future career.

## Career and progression

Past PACE students have gone straight into work or an apprenticeship, while some have opted for further study and/or skills training.

## Minimum entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements. However, you will be interviewed to assess your suitability for this course.

In order to complete this course successfully you must be willing to travel to your work placement for up to 28 days.

## Where are they now?

Edward Fusco completed his work placement at a chandlery in Lymington and was subsequently offered a Business Administration intermediate apprenticeship with the company. He has since spoken of his experiences in front of an audience at a national conference.



"The PACE course has helped me make new friends and has also given me work experience. The teachers and support

assistants helped me whenever I needed extra support. PACE gave me the confidence to be a Student Ambassador and to move on to a higher level course."

### Isaac Lewis

School attended: Eastleigh College  
Studied: PACE, Functional Skills English, Functional Skills Maths



# PERFORMING ARTS

Level 3 Foundation Diploma (A Level Equivalent) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

Performing Arts is designed to help you develop your talents and indulge your passion in drama, dance and singing. You will gain new knowledge and skills through in-depth theoretical learning and by enjoying the thrill of live performance.



## Course overview

This course is delivered through practical workshops, skills sessions, coursework, rehearsals and public performances. It also includes opportunities to analyse the work of professional and semi-professional performers through a series of theatre trips.

You will spend a lot of time working with your fellow students to create unique performances that incorporate various techniques.

Plus, your teachers will regularly bring professional performance companies into college to run workshops and give performances.

You will benefit from two studio theatres, a large performance space, four sound studios, two sprung dance studios, three rehearsal studios, props and costume areas, two Mac suites, and two lighting and sound gantries.

## As a student you will:

- Develop your skills in the three most important aspects of performance, namely dancing, acting and singing.
- Study different performance styles to gain an in-depth appreciation of onstage communication.
- Devise performances in order to develop your skills and abilities.
- Expand your understanding of the contemporary performing arts industry.
- Explore and develop your practical skills in a range of performance styles.
- Investigate contemporary theatre in depth, giving you a greater appreciation of drama and physical theatre.

## Career and progression

The skills you will learn on this course are central to the contemporary performance industry and can lead to a wide variety of jobs in performance, directing, teaching and arts development.

Institutions of Higher Education offer degree courses in Performing Arts either as a single honours course or one linked with English, Film, Humanities and Arts Management.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Drama and Theatre A Level
- English Language and Literature A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Music Level 3 Foundation Diploma
- Production Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Drama grade 5 (if taken – desirable)
- Maths

**Please note**, the full course title for this programme is Performing Arts Practice Level 3 Foundation Diploma.

This course is equivalent to one-and-a-half A Levels in UCAS points. You will need to complete TWO other A Levels alongside this course to build a full Study Programme.

## Where are they now?

Meisje Weldon is currently studying Film at Falmouth University. She has been writing and directing short films and projects. She has said she is enjoying using her eye for theatre when creating film.



"I love the creative side of my course. It's a very practical programme with lots of opportunities to perform. This year I've really expanded my skill set and

my confidence has improved a lot. I've also met some really outgoing, friendly people during my studies. We all encourage each other to give it our all every time we create, rehearse and perform."

## Robin Kemp

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Performing Arts  
Level 3 Foundation Diploma,  
Drama and Theatre, Fashion and Textiles

# PERFORMING ARTS

Whether you want to perform on stage or work behind the scenes, our Vocational Performing Arts courses give you a firm foundation for success. Both focus on helping you gain the skills and practical experience to develop your talents.



## PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS INDUSTRY SKILLS LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

**1 YEAR**

### Course overview

You can undertake all the preparation you need for either your next step of training or your first role within the performing arts industry by successfully completing this course.

It aims to develop your skills for working in a creative environment while also building your confidence. Workshops and practical sessions are the main ways in which you will learn.

### As a student you will:

- Develop an understanding and awareness of theatrical performance.
- Assist in key aspects of assembling and disassembling sophisticated stage productions.
- Contribute to the technical production of live performances.
- Learn about a broad range of employment areas within the creative arts.

### Career and progression

Some former students have headed directly into practical employment in the arts sector. Long-term progression routes include further learning, establishing a performance company, professional performing work, directing productions and teaching.

## PERFORMING ARTS PRACTICE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**2 YEARS**

### Course overview

You can develop your skills in acting, singing and dancing by completing this programme. As well as performance opportunities, you will gain knowledge and explore techniques and contexts. You will look at devised, scripted and directed material in a variety of performance styles.

Although largely practical, this course will see you conduct written analysis for each unit.

### As a student you will:

- Develop your skills in contemporary multi-skilled performance.
- Research contemporary, classical and musical theatre in depth.
- Study different performance styles to enhance your appreciation of various onstage techniques.
- Explore the business of performing arts to acquire a solid grounding in important industry dynamics.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Performing Arts subject (preferable)
- Foundation Certificate in a related subject. Merit or Distinction if taken.

You must have an interest in all aspects of performing arts or related work. You must also be motivated, enthusiastic and able to work as a member of a team.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Drama (if taken)
- Maths
- Merit or Distinction Performing Arts Level 2

You will also be required to attend an audition to join these courses.

## Where are they now?

Ashton Cane Richardson took a gap year after leaving Brock and has now completed her studies at Italia Conti Arts Centre, studying Musical Theatre.



"By focussing heavily on practical skills, this course has really played to my strengths. I learn best by doing, so completing hands-on work every day is preparing me well both physically and mentally for a future in show business. We get to do a lot of live performances in all sorts of styles, which has helped build my confidence. I'm aiming to secure a place at a leading drama school after college."

## Laura Calazans

School attended: Overseas  
Studied: Performing Arts Practice  
Level 3 Extended Diploma

# PERFORMING ENGINEERING OPERATIONS

Level 1 Diploma **1 YEAR**

This learning opportunity is designed to give you an ideal introduction to performing engineering operations. From day one you will gain hands-on experience using a range of tools to complete various processes. Importantly, your new knowhow will make you a more suitable candidate for work, an apprenticeship, or a higher level course.



## Course overview

This programme gives you 50/50 split between theory work and practical work, which means you get the best of both worlds. A typical day will involve a morning of theory followed by an afternoon in the workshop, developing practical skills and working with tools and various materials.

At Brock we simulate the workplace, but we also give you all the benefits and support you would expect from a college. In addition, you will take advantage of work experience opportunities and trips, as well as listen to guest speakers from industry.

You will be based at our main campus, which contains workshops that clearly resemble the working environment. All your training will be delivered by a team of specially selected lecturers who each have professional backgrounds in industry.

They will guide and inspire you to be confident, able and knowledgeable in performing a range of tasks related to engineering. They will also give you tips about securing progression to another course, an apprenticeship, or a job.

## As a student you will:

- Learn new skills and feed your passion for construction methods, tools and equipment.
- Understand industry processes and discover which parts of those processes best suit you.
- Develop your personal skills and a greater sense of self-esteem, giving you the confidence to launch a successful career.
- Listen to visiting speakers from industry who will give you valuable career insights to take forward.
- Complete two weeks of work experience, giving you more workplace confidence.
- Participate in trips and Enrichment opportunities that support you in your short-term and long-term goals.

## Career and progression

By completing this course successfully you can progress onto Level 2 programmes in Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, or Marine Engineering, expanding your skills and knowledge further. Alternatively, you may progress onto an apprenticeship, or take an entry-level job.

## Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 2 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## Where are they now?

This programme is new, which means our students are still studying with us. They are receiving first-class tuition and mentorship from teachers who have highly relevant personal insights, including a wealth of knowledge related to Higher Education and career pathways.



"I have found my course challenging but enjoyable. The teachers supported us by setting small targets to complete. This helped me a

lot with my organisation and time management. All theory was taught in a way that was easy to understand and my teachers were always happy to clarify anything. Every day was different and I have really improved my skills of precision, allowing me to create minimum waste. I have decided to continue studying at Brock. Depending on my grades, I will hopefully study boatbuilding next."

## Keanu Veal

School attended: Lakeside School  
Studied: Performing Engineering Operations Level 1 Diploma

# PHILOSOPHY **A LEVEL 2 YEARS**

Have you ever stopped to consider whether you know if anything exists beyond yourself? Have you ever wondered about the morality of certain actions? If you want to explore these questions and more, then Philosophy is the subject for you.



## Course overview

A Level Philosophy is your chance to broaden your intellectual horizons and fine-tune your powers of analysis by grappling with questions that have challenged humankind since the dawn of recorded time.

For example: 'How can we know what reality is?'; 'What is the nature of mind – is it distinct from the body?'; 'Is there a god and if so why is there suffering?'; 'What does it mean to be moral?'

The starting point for all areas of learning is classroom discussion, which is characterised by lively debate. Importantly, your teachers will encourage you to participate in an academic culture of collaboration whereby you will help fellow students understand tricky concepts and arguments.

By completing this course you will become more knowledgeable and acquire higher-level reasoning skills. Central to success will be developing your ability to respond critically to questions using academic authorities.

There is no doubt that Philosophy is academically challenging. However, please be assured that all learning will be divided into manageable segments.

## As a student you will:

- Improve your skills of analysis, evaluation and argument construction.
- Develop greater precision in expressing your ideas both orally and in writing.
- Explore ideas that have intrigued philosophers for thousands of years.
- Pose questions about the most fundamental aspects of existence.
- Challenge yourself by reading some of the most influential philosophical texts ever written.
- Ask questions about the most fundamental elements of existence like: 'Do I have a body?' and 'Do other minds exist?'
- Participate in lively classroom discussions with your peers on challenging issues.

## Career and progression

A Level Philosophy is recognised by top universities as one of the most intellectually challenging courses at Further Education level.

This programme will hone your skills of analysis and your ability to construct solid arguments. These transferable skills make it ideal preparation for most academic university courses and job training schemes.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Classical Civilisation A Level
- Economics A Level
- English Literature A Level
- History A Level
- Politics A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language grade 6
- Maths
- Other GCSEs average grade 5

## Where are they now?

Isaac Hadfield was actively involved in the development of the Debating Society at Brock. He is now applying his knowledge and critical thinking skills at the University of Oxford, where he is studying Philosophy, Politics and Economics.



"I've enjoyed exploring various ways of thinking and how different people would consider the same situation in contrasting ways. I've then

challenged myself to empathise with different viewpoints and contrasting conclusions. Philosophy has also helped me progress in my essay writing, which has boosted my progress in my other subjects, English Literature and Sociology."

## Rylee Lynk

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Philosophy, English Literature, Sociology



# PHOTOGRAPHY A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Photography is about communication through images, and to communicate effectively you will need a host of technical skills that you can learn on this course. You will also need a keen eye for hard-hitting concepts and excellent photo opportunities, which we will help you develop.



## Course overview

This subject combines elements of culture and communication with technical knowhow, enabling you to occupy the horizon between art and science.

A Level Photography is designed to be an ideal balance of theory and practice, giving you everything you need to build an impressive portfolio of photographic work.

You will explore how this art form functions as a creative and culturally significant means of communication. You will also learn a variety of skills and techniques using different equipment.

In addition, you will investigate a range of visual representations including location and studio photography, digital imagery and combined mixed media.

Importantly, you will benefit from industry-standard photographic facilities, along with teachers who have professional and academic backgrounds in their subject. The College will provide you with an Adobe Creative Suite licence as well.

## As a student you will:

- Learn camera techniques that help you realise your artistic visions.
- Improve your visual communication and evidence your progress through practical assignments.
- Experiment with photo manipulation techniques using industry-standard equipment and software.
- Explore the work of different artists and photographers, helping you find inspiration.
- Receive dedicated support from day one, helping you develop your camera control.

## Career and progression

By the end of the course you should feel confident in managing your future development as a photographer. You should also feel competent enough to undertake freelance photographic assignments.

Past students have progressed to working in a range of visual arts areas such as photography, graphic design, fashion, web design and TV/film.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Fashion and Textiles A Level
- Film Studies A Level
- Fine Art A Level
- Graphics and Illustration A Level
- Media Studies A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Art and Design or another art related subject is an advantage but not essential

## Where are they now?

Issie Vesey was commissioned to produce a series of photographs for Beaulieu Motor Museum and now studies at Arts University Bournemouth. Issie has chosen to complete a Foundation Diploma in Art and Design so she can explore different areas before deciding on her specialism.



“I chose Brock because of the quality of the photographic facilities, which are exactly what you would find in industry. My teachers have inspired me to appreciate the art form and understand how to take outstanding shots before processing them like a professional to achieve first class results.”

## Joseph McGrath

School attended:  
Queen Elizabeth's School  
A Levels studied: Photography,  
Film Studies, Media Studies

# PHYSICS A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Now is an exciting time to be involved in physics, because world class experiments are pushing at the boundaries of what we know about the origins and nature of the universe. A Level Physics is your opportunity to be part of this new era of discovery.



## Course overview

This course aims to maintain and enhance your fascination with how things work – from the smallest quantum to the expanding universe.

You will study topics including particle physics, quantum phenomena, electricity, mechanics and waves.

You will also explore how major research developments, such as the Large Hadron Collider, are providing breakthroughs in our understanding of the world around us.

Whenever possible we DO physics rather than just talk about it. This means a lot of hands-on experiments, demonstrations and problem-solving. To show things we cannot do ourselves we use video clips, as well as computer simulation and modelling.

Past students have benefitted from field trips to local and international destinations including the University of Southampton and CERN near Geneva, which is home to the world famous Large Hadron Collider.

## As a student you will:

- Study gravitational, electric and magnetic fields.
- Investigate waves and thermal physics.
- Explore particle physics, nuclear physics and quantum phenomena.
- Learn about mechanics and materials.
- Have the opportunity to visit research centres and attend masterclasses led by eminent visiting physicists.
- Perform experiments, observe demonstrations and apply investigative approaches and methods.

## Career and progression

A Level Physics can help you pursue a career in everything from aeronautical engineering to architecture, and from medical imaging to inventing new technology or new materials.

This qualification is also highly desirable when it comes to university applications, particularly if you wish to study Maths, Science or Engineering.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Chemistry A Level
- Computer Science A Level
- Electronics A Level
- Geology A Level
- Maths A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths grade 6
- English Language grade 5
- Combined Science 6/6 or if separate sciences Physics 6 and a grade 6 in another science

You are strongly advised to take Maths A Level alongside this subject.

## Other courses of interest

### GCSE Astronomy

We offer this course as an extra study opportunity for A Level Physics students who wish to gain a better understanding of what lies beyond Earth. It combines hard scientific theory with practical teaching on how to use equipment such as telescopes.

## Where are they now?

Elliot London graduated with a first-class honours degree in Physics from Swansea University, where he is currently undertaking a masters degree in Laser Physics.



“Physics is brilliant! From projectiles and circuits, right down to waves and particles, it explains how and why the universe works. My teacher is very supportive and creative in the way he explains topics. After Brock, I want to study Computer Science at university.”

## Ben Franklin

School attended:  
Queen Elizabeth's School  
A Levels studied: Physics,  
Computer Science, Maths

# POLITICS A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Do you want to discover more about what happens in the corridors of power in the UK and US? Perhaps you see yourself as a politician of the future. If this is you, then don't miss this opportunity to study Politics.



## Course overview

This learning opportunity focusses on the UK and US governments and their respective political institutions.

As a result, you will acquire detailed knowledge about how executive, legislative and judicial power is exercised in modern liberal democracies.

Alongside a detailed study of UK government, where Parliament's role is critical, and US government, where the President is the prime mover, you will examine elections, political parties, ideologies and constitutional change.

In the case of Britain you will examine the role, dynamics and possible consequences of referendums.

Importantly, you will participate in lively classroom debates on contemporary issues. To perform well you will also need to stay up-to-date with political developments and conduct thorough research.

Every year we organise a trip to Westminster, and we regularly invite serving and former politicians into the College to speak.

## As a student you will:

- Evaluate different political ideologies, namely conservatism, socialism and liberalism, before comparing.
- Learn how modern Britain is governed by looking at the British constitution and Parliament in detail.
- Examine government in the United States by looking at the US constitution.
- Investigate political institutions, traditions, behaviours and leaders in the UK and US today.
- Identify the strengths and weaknesses of the institutions that govern the UK and US.
- Study important elements of people, politics, democracy and participation to gain a broad understanding of political parties, electoral systems and voting behaviour in the UK today.

## Career and progression

This qualification allows you to progress onto a range of Higher Education courses, particularly those connected with humanities.

You can also use the skills you have learned to pursue a range of professional areas, including: journalism, law, economics, education and administration.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Classical Civilisation A Level
- Economics A Level
- English Language and Literature A Level
- History A Level
- Law A Level
- Philosophy A Level
- Psychology A Level
- Sociology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths

You must also have a strong interest in current affairs and a willingness to take part in class discussions and debates.

## Where are they now?

Anna Nguyen, who served as Brock Students' Union President, was offered a scholarship to study at Wesleyan University in Connecticut, USA, which is awarded to those with great leadership prospects.



"It's a really interesting time to be a student of Politics. The country seems so divided right now, and virtually everything I learn in class will

appear somewhere in the news that week. I like exploring the motivations that drive different viewpoints. Understanding people and why they hold their views is fascinating to me. At Brock there is a diverse range of students, so conflicting viewpoints are commonplace."

## Isaac Ashley

School attended: Noadswood School  
A Levels studied: Politics, English Language, History

# PRE-CADETSHIP FOR THE MERCHANT NAVY

You can take a big step towards launching a career as an officer in the Merchant Navy by selecting one of our Pre-cadetship programmes. Both are designed to provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to progress towards a full cadetship learning opportunity.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

You will have access to industry-standard tools, a shipping simulator and marine engines in a realistic working environment where you will receive hands-on training.

Your training will be delivered by a team of lecturers with professional industry experience, which they will draw upon to guide and inspire you. A learning day will typically involve a morning of theory followed by an afternoon in the workshop.

### As a student you will:

- Undertake various visits and meet representatives from shipping companies who offer cadet officer sponsorships.
- Learn to use tools and other equipment safely.
- Get-to-grips with shipping terminology.
- Gain skills to interpret technical drawings accurately.
- Study engines, gearboxes and propulsion technologies.

### Career and progression

By achieving the Level 2 diploma you can progress onto an HND Cadetship at university via an HND programme. By achieving the Level 3 diploma you can progress to a Foundation Degree Cadetship at university, providing you secure sponsorship from a shipping company.

**Please note**, that progression to the Merchant Navy will depend on you passing the Merchant Navy Medical. (ENG1) Full information will be provided at enrolment.

## LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

This programme will give you the knowledge, skills and competencies required to be successful in securing a full cadetship financed by a shipping company.

As well as our well-equipped workshop, you will have access to our shipping simulator. Importantly, you will also choose a career pathway from the following list: Marine Engineer, Deck Officer or Marine Electrical Technical Officer.

### As a student you will:

- Steer a large vessel through major ports using our shipping simulator.
- Select a pathway into the shipping industry from several different career options.
- Access industry-standard workshops with professional-level tools.
- Gain a detailed introduction to the maritime industry and understand important shipboard operations.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

## LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 5 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science (to include physical science content)

Pre-cadets will be required to be in full uniform for all classes.

## Where are they now?

Theo Bayly-Rodger has successfully completed our Pre-cadetship course and gained four Cadetship offers. He has chosen to accept an offer from Princess Cruises and will study at Warsash Maritime School to become an engineering officer on a cruise ship.



"The Pre-cadetship course was exactly what I had been looking to find. It has provided me with opportunities to learn by using and developing my practical workshop

skills, as well as undertaking academic studies. The course provides you with an opportunity to visit boat shows, cruise ships, Warsash Maritime Academy and other places too. As a result of the Pre-cadetship, I have successfully secured an engine cadetship with Carnival UK."

## Seren Nix

School attended: Wyvern St Edmund's  
Studied: Pre-cadetship for the Merchant Navy Level 2 Diploma

# OPEN EVENTS

**MARCHWOOD CONSTRUCTION AND MARINE TECHNOLOGIES TRAINING CENTRE**

THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER  
WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH  
4:00PM – 7:00PM



# PRODUCT DESIGN A LEVEL 2 YEARS

If you have a technical brain that likes to ask questions and suggest improvements, then this course could help you discover your future career. It is all about improving performance in engineering by understanding what works and what doesn't.



## Course overview

This course focusses on developing your analytical and creative skills to solve design problems.

Throughout your studies you will explore how to design and improve products using a wide range of materials.

As your learning progresses you will become astute at product analysis where you evaluate a product for form, function, materials, construction and quality.

You will also spend time exploring design and manufacturing considerations to appreciate what is practical, economical and possible.

At Brock we have a well-equipped workshop that you can access outside of lesson time, plus experienced teachers and a helpful technician.

Your abilities will improve thanks to engaging projects that develop key skills in written analysis, traditional drawing, computer-aided design and manufacturing.

## As a student you will:

- Investigate materials, processes, and health and safety considerations.
- Improve your knowledge and skills related to research, design, making, testing and evaluating.
- Study model-making, computer-aided design and manufacturing skills used in industry.
- Evaluate the work of famous designers to understand their thought processes.
- Learn from wider influences on design and technology including historical, social, cultural, environmental and economic factors.

## Career and progression

This qualification can lead to a variety of different career pathways including product design, engineering and architecture.

Some students progress to taking advanced apprenticeships with local companies, while others gain employment directly in the technology and engineering sectors.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Business A Level
- Electronics A Level
- Maths A Level
- Physics A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Maths
- English Language
- Science
- DT or Engineering grade 5 (if taken)

In addition, experience of construction projects or woodworking at home is desirable.

## Where are they now?

James Fisher studied Product Design at Loughborough University. Afterwards he earned a place on Diageo's graduate programme and has since worked for Dyson as a Design Engineer.



"The insights I've gained on my course have given me a much greater awareness of products and processes, as well as the advantages and disadvantages

of specific materials and methods. We examine small to large scale production in detail, thoroughly analysing the pros and cons of a concept in order to assess economic, practical, environmental and market viability."

## Thomas Sutherland

School attended: New Forest Academy  
A Levels studied: Product Design, Maths, Physics

# PRODUCTION ARTS

Level 3 Foundation Diploma (A Level Equivalent)

A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS

This Production Arts qualification is a backstage pass to the world of showbusiness. From lighting design and set logistics, to running the front of house and creating props, this course will prepare you to ensure that the show always goes on.



## Course overview

As a student you will develop skills in lighting design, learn the dynamics associated with sound on stage, get to grips with important logistical issues, master industry equipment and become industry ready.

Through practical projects you will develop and explore skills in lighting, sound, stage management, set, scenery and costumes, before choosing to specialise in the area that interests you most.

Your specialist study area could be lighting, sound, props, set, stage management, costume or make-up.

At Brock we are fortunate to have a Performing Arts department with excellent facilities.

You will benefit from two studio theatres, a large performance space, four sound studios, two sprung dance studios, three rehearsal studios, props and costume areas, two Mac suites, and two lighting and sound gantries.

## As a student you will:

- Assist in key aspects of assembling and disassembling a sophisticated stage production.
- Plan various important elements of a stage production, solving problems when and where they arise.
- Design and make animated props and train in the operation of special effects.
- Build on your awareness of health and safety compliance, which is an essential attribute that is valued by employers.
- Enjoy visits to see various stage productions throughout your studies.
- Work on designing, programming and operating as part of a production team on various college shows.

## Career and progression

Once you have successfully completed this course you will have a CV full of experience covering each area of production, making you a much stronger candidate for associated employment and apprenticeship opportunities.

You can also make a strong claim for enhanced work experience placements with world-class productions. Furthermore, you will have acquired the academic credit you need to study a related programme at university.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Digital Music Production Level 3 Extended Certificate
- Fashion and Textiles A Level
- Film Studies A Level
- Media Studies A Level
- Performing Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma
- Photography A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language
- Maths

Ideally you must have practical experience on a lighting and sound desk and have worked on live shows.

We welcome students who have successfully completed our Performing and Production Arts Industry Skills Level 2 Diploma. You must have achieved a Merit or Distinction at Level 2.

This course is equivalent to one-and-a-half A Levels in UCAS points. You will need to complete TWO other A Levels alongside this course to build a full Study Programme.

## Where are they now?

Rosie White started working in the industry part-time during her studies at Brock. She founded a freelance firm called Rosie's Lights, and has since provided lighting design services for a variety of concerts and events, including helping at Rick Astley and Take That concerts.



"Stage management is my passion, so this course has been ideal for me. I've also picked up loads of knowledge and experience in lighting, sound, logistics and professional conduct.

Brock stages a wide variety of shows during the year, and in my second year I aim to work on as many as possible. This will include musicals, dance showcases and more traditional works. I want to go into events management."

## Scarlett Brooking

School attended: Wyvern St Edmund's  
A Levels studied: Production Arts Level 3 Foundation Diploma, Classical Civilisation, Spanish

# PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY

You can use industry-standard equipment and studio facilities to produce high-quality images by choosing one of these courses. You will also become skilled and knowledgeable in a range of post-production techniques thanks to our cutting-edge computer hardware and software.



## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA 1 YEAR

### Course overview

Professional Photography Level 2 is designed to give you a solid grounding in all the main photographic production techniques by teaching you to use a range of equipment.

This will help you get much more out of your photography. It will also make you a more suitable candidate for employment or an apprenticeship in photomedia.

### As a student you will:

- Explore photography in terms of camera controls and different photographic genres.
- Take photographs that depict your unique personality and character by completing a 'selfie' project.
- Acquire a contextual awareness by looking at art movements and recreating iconic photographs.

### Career and progression

The Level 2 course aims to broaden your artistic horizons and prepare you for further study. The Level 3 programme will prepare you for higher-level study such as an HND or BA Photography course.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA 2 YEARS

### Course overview

On this course you will undertake a range of activities, including: studio work, darkroom practice and stop-motion animation.

At the same time you will explore different genres and develop a portfolio of work. You will also enter local and national competitions, and attend trips to some very photogenic locations.

### As a student you will:

- Develop the skills to use our photographic studio to its full potential.
- Acquire a detailed knowledge of digital production techniques by learning to use Adobe Photoshop.
- Experiment with visual recording, graphic design and mixed media to gain wider skills, knowledge and experience.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

If you have previously taken Level 2 Professional Photography you must have achieved a Merit or Distinction.

**Please note**, the full course title for these programmes is Art and Design (Photography).

### Where are they now?

Shamsia Ahmed-Stott is now a Commercial Photographer specialising in documentary and editorial photography. She has produced photographs for clients such as Cats Protection and Children's University. She also studies BA Commercial Photography at Arts University Bournemouth.



"My teachers have inspired me to follow in their footsteps by becoming a teacher in Photography. The satisfaction I get from helping

someone master a new technique is something that brings me a lot of joy. I also do freelance work to promote businesses and charities, both online and in print. My next step is to complete a Photography degree at Arts University Bournemouth."

### Ciaran Gallen

School attended: Corfe Hills School  
Studied: Professional Photography Level 3 Extended Diploma

# PSYCHOLOGY A LEVEL 2 YEARS

Psychology seeks solutions to real-world problems. If you have an enquiring mind and want to know more about what makes people tick, then this is the ideal learning opportunity for you. Criminal behaviour and psychological disorders will be prominent themes.



### Course overview

As a student you will learn through lectures, class discussions, group work, individual note-taking and carrying out research.

You will cover topics ranging from biological explanations for behaviour to how interacting with other people can influence behaviour.

Importantly, you will use a scientific approach throughout your studies, looking closely at research evidence. In your second year you will apply this approach to specific topics such as child psychology, criminal psychology and mental health issues.

Psychology is an academic subject that is unique in that it complements a wide range of other subjects, from the arts to the sciences.

At Brock we have close links with local universities that teach Psychology and hold an internal revision conference to give you the very best exam preparation.

These conferences are highly effective because some of our teachers also work as examiners. Indeed, they will give you all the ideas you need to hone your exam technique.

### As a student you will:

- Learn about various research methods used by psychologists.
- Evaluate issues associated with mental health to discover more about tell-tale characteristics.
- Explore issues in applied psychology, including those in forensic psychology and child psychology.
- Investigate psychological themes through a series of core studies, both classic and contemporary.
- Visit Winchester Crown Court to watch real-life criminal court proceedings.
- Assess aspects of applied psychology, including forensic psychology and child psychology, which will enable you to appreciate how the theory fits into real-world scenarios.

### Career and progression

There are many transferable skills associated with the study of Psychology. Also, you will leave with a better understanding of human behaviour and how it affects the workplace.

By studying a psychology-related degree at university you can open doors to careers in areas such as clinical, forensic, child, educational, occupational and sports psychology.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Business A Level
- Criminology Level 3 Diploma
- English Language A Level
- History A Level
- Law A Level
- Sociology A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and a grade 5 in one of the following:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

If you have studied Psychology before we expect you to have achieved at least a grade 4.

### Where are they now?

Martha Saunders spent her year completing work experience at King's College London, where she worked on a team project related to ADHD. She was able to use her research and maths skills acquired during her Psychology A Level course to successfully interpret the data. She is now studying Psychology BSc at University College London.



"My course is structured very logically, with each unit laying the groundwork for the next. Each topic area has its own booklet containing gaps

for us to fill in, enabling us to evidence our progress and understanding. This means we have a solid structure for our notes, allowing us to focus on exploring theories and developing higher level thinking skills."

### William Waterhouse

School attended: Home Educated  
A Levels studied: Psychology, Law, Music



Sociology is an eye-opening subject that enables you to explore how we behave and how that behaviour has changed over time. If you have an enquiring mind, along with an unfailing curiosity about the main drivers and influences in our society, then Sociology is the subject for you.



### Course overview

Sociology explores how our society has developed over hundreds of years and the reasons for social phenomena like inequality and crime.

You will learn through a range of teaching methods such as individual work, group work, debates, discussions, videos, structured lectures and internet research.

The programme focusses on the social universe, examining the influences of families, the mass media, education, religion, the criminal justice system, social class, race and gender.

You will also learn how to question sources effectively to make sure you never take what you see at face value.

Major questions include: 'Does the media or politics have an effect on the inequality of women?'; 'Is the family responsible for our education as well as schools?'; 'What is the cause of crime?'

Importantly, you will participate in sociological research, which Higher Education centres regard as particularly important.

### As a student you will:

- Examine phenomena in British society to uncover some startling facts and social issues.
- Learn how social behaviour differs between cultures and how it is influenced by various factors.
- Investigate the mass media, including the phenomenon of young people being linked to certain types of behaviour.
- Explore the criminal justice system and gain an awareness of police, courts, prison and rehabilitation services in the UK.
- Go on a sociological trip to Berlin.

### Career and progression

Sociology is related to many different professions, and our learners have gone on to study for a range of degrees in subjects such as Criminology, Psychology, Law, Social Work, Media, Education and Business, as well as Sociology itself.

Sociology will equip you with the analytical and critical-thinking skills needed for a career in education, social services, government, policing, probation, community development, or international aid work, among other areas.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Criminology Level 3 Diploma
- English Language A Level
- Geography A Level
- History A Level
- Law A Level
- Politics A Level
- Psychology A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- English Language grade 5
- Maths

You must also have an interest in social issues.

### Where are they now?

Amy Robbins is studying for a degree in Sociology at the University of Cardiff. She is learning about sociological phenomena in education, work, urban and everyday life, and on social media.



"Understanding the structure and inner workings of modern society has been a real eye-opener. I've gained some fascinating insights into how different personal

circumstances affect people's outlooks and opportunities. Sociology has really influenced what I want to do in the future. Right now, I'm investigating career options in counselling, therapy and social work."

### Lori Cook

School attended: Priestlands School  
A Levels studied: Sociology, Animation, Graphics and Illustration

Spanish is the world's fourth most-spoken language. This means that it has a significant influence on global culture. If you want to enjoy enhanced Spanish cultural experiences through travel and work in the future, then this course will give you the grounding you need.



### Course overview

This programme will enable you to improve in all aspects of using Spanish. It will also give you opportunities to discuss and appreciate Spanish culture and society in more depth.

You will learn using a variety of methods, including: group work, debates, role play, independent work and interactive listening activities.

Your Spanish teacher will work with you to develop every area of your Spanish. This includes: pronunciation, accent, grammar, emphasis and clarity of expression.

You will also have a weekly one-to-one lesson with a native Spanish-speaking teacher to improve your spoken Spanish.

Furthermore, you will have access to an online platform where you can supplement your learning to meet your exact needs.

All these things together will develop your overall communication skills, paying you dividends when visiting a Spanish-speaking country for work or pleasure.

### As a student you will:

- Refine your abilities in speaking, reading, listening and writing in Spanish.
- Discover more about Spanish politics and history, helping you understand its impact on today's society.
- Evaluate the evolution of the Spanish multicultural society and its social issues.
- Explore the festivals, music and traditions of Spain and other Spanish-speaking countries.
- Study a Spanish film and play and explore the key ideas.
- Learn about and research the media in Spanish-speaking countries.

### Career and progression

Spanish is increasingly valued by employers because it shows you have a wide cultural experience as well as transferable language skills.

This helps explain why 96% of our students were either in employment or further study within six months of leaving. Moreover, nearly 75% were working at professional or managerial levels.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

### This course combines well with:

- Business A Level
- English Language A Level
- French A Level
- Geography A Level

### Minimum entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 and above with a minimum average GCSE score of 4.0, to include:

- Spanish grade 6
- English Language or English Literature grade 6
- Maths

If you do not have GCSE Spanish, we may accept prior experience such as living in a Spanish-speaking country or using the language regularly.

### Where are they now?

Harry Beckett is currently studying Spanish and Linguistics at University of Oxford. His talent for learning languages was spotted and nurtured at Brock, where he earned an A\* grade in his Spanish A Level.



"I feel Brock has given me the exact environment I need to learn at my best. This year I have vastly improved my fluency and have even started to

think in Spanish. Thanks to my teachers, particularly our native speaking teacher, I have improved my vocabulary, pronunciation, diction and cultural awareness. I now feel much more confident with speaking, listening and writing in Spanish."

### Ellie Buckler

School attended: Ringwood School  
A Levels studied: Spanish, French, Psychology

# SPORT

Level 3 Extended Diploma **2 YEARS**

If you love sport and have ambitions to make it your career, then our Sport Level 3 Extended Diploma will give you everything you need. You will study sport in a practical, applied way and benefit from access to expert coaches and extensive facilities, as well as work experience opportunities.



## Course overview

If you are aiming for a career in coaching and leadership, or want to study Sports Development or Sports Science in depth later, then this course represents the ideal launch pad.

You will learn about everything from fitness testing and sports injuries to measuring technical performance and sports coaching.

Importantly, you will benefit from the ideal balance of practical and theoretical learning, giving you the skills and knowledge you need to break into the sports career you want.

We also have excellent relationships with local employers in the sports and leisure sector, which means you will be able to secure additional work experience to help broaden your horizons.

At Brock we are fortunate to have first class learning facilities for all forms of physical education. These comprise: a fully equipped gym and fitness studio, 27-acres of playing fields, a floodlit full-size artificial turf pitch for hockey and football, a floodlit five-a-side artificial turf pitch, floodlit all-weather courts for netball and tennis, and brand new purpose-built changing facilities.

## As a student you will:

- Improve your ability to lead and coach sporting activities.
- Learn about the principles of sport and performance.
- Study anatomy and physiology issues relating to sports performance.
- Analyse ways of treating and preventing injuries in sport.
- Enhance your understanding of the role psychology plays in sport.
- Work on your sporting performance in order to become a more accomplished athlete.

## Career and progression

This course will prepare you for apprenticeships, employment, or Higher Education in sports coaching, physical education, fitness instruction, sports development, sports management, and sport and exercise science. Past students have gone on to top sporting universities.

## Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

We also welcome applications from students who have successfully completed our Health, Fitness & Exercise Instruction Level 2 Diploma.

## Where are they now?

Sam Vokes is now a professional footballer who plays as a striker for League One club Wycombe Wanderers and has played for the Welsh national team.



"The Sport teachers here at Brock always make me feel comfortable and engaged in my studies. Facilities here are outstanding,

helping ensure a quality learning experience both inside and outside the classroom. My course can open up a wide range of sporting opportunities, and I am particularly interested in sports journalism as a career."

## Ellis Korrie

School attended: Highcliffe School  
Studied: Sport Level 3 Extended Diploma

# SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE

Level 3 Extended Diploma **2 YEARS**

Are you looking for a science-based learning opportunity that can get you a job in the sports sector and also get you into Higher Education? If the answer is yes, then this could be the ideal course for you.



## Course overview

Studying Sport and Exercise Science will provide you with science-based knowledge, as well as an understanding of sports performance and factors that affect it.

This programme combines theory and practical sessions that cover core elements of anatomy, physiology, psychology and biomechanics.

All these elements together will make you a much more confident and competent practitioner who is able to take on considerable responsibility in the workplace.

At Brock we have a thriving Sports Academy system that serves five major sports. Plus, all our teachers are experts in different sporting specialisms.

We have extensive sporting facilities, comprising: a fully equipped gym and fitness studio, 27-acres of playing fields, a floodlit fullsize artificial turf pitch for hockey and football, a floodlit five-a-side artificial turf pitch, floodlit all weather courts for netball and tennis, and brand new purpose-built changing facilities.

## As a student you will:

- Benefit from our partnerships with leading sports and exercise organisations.
- Study a range of topics including anatomy, physiology, psychology, biomechanics, analysis and research.
- Increase your practical knowledge and ability within the sphere of sport generally.
- Undertake a major final research project that will evidence your knowledge, skills and progress.
- Have the opportunity to continue playing the sports you love through our Sports Academy system.
- Think hard about how you might want to develop your career in the medium to long term.

## Career and progression

If you are looking for a career in Sports Science or hoping to progress onto a Higher Education sports degree, then this course provides a decent foundation.

It will prepare you for work in areas that require a scientific background such as sports injuries, therapy and massage, sports psychology, teaching, physiology and biomechanics.

## Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

We also welcome applications from students who have successfully completed our Health, Fitness & Exercise Instruction Level 2 Diploma.

## Where are they now?

Nicholas Clark now teaches PE at Walhampton Independent Preparatory School and assists with the Marketing and Alumni departments. He previously graduated from Bournemouth University with a 2:1 honours degree in Sports Management.



"Lessons are always interesting, with no two exactly the same. I play for AFC Bournemouth Women's squad, which has a partnership with the College to

enable young female players like me to gain formal qualifications while continuing to develop as an athlete. It really is the best of both worlds."

## Molly Gladwell

School attended: Corfe Hills School  
Studied: Sport and Exercise Science  
Level 3 Extended Diploma



# SPORT SCIENCE

Level 3 Foundation Diploma (A Level Equivalent) **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT 2 YEARS**

You can take your knowledge and skills in sport and exercise science to the next level in preparation for employment, university, or achieving your personal sporting ambitions, thanks to this learning opportunity.



## Course overview

You will explore the psychology behind elite level performance in sport and exercise, as well as the psychological principles that can encourage behaviour change and help people maintain a healthy lifestyle.

You will learn through a well-balanced range of methods, which combine practical skills with theoretical knowledge. Lessons will take place in classrooms; however, you will also use our full range of sports facilities, both indoor and outdoor.

At Brock we are fortunate to have first-class learning facilities for Physical Education. These comprise: a fully-equipped gym and fitness studio, 27-acres of playing fields, a floodlit full-size artificial turf pitch for hockey and football, a floodlit five-a-side artificial turf pitch, floodlit all-weather courts for netball and tennis, and brand new purpose-built changing facilities.

## As a student you will:

- Develop knowledge of drills and practices, evaluating the effectiveness, suitability and practicality of these practices.
- Gain first-hand experience of coaching and focus on becoming a reflective practitioner.
- Explore core body systems essential to sport performance, including the skeletal, muscular, cardiovascular and respiratory systems.
- Evaluate fitness requirements for sport and investigate training methods and fitness programming techniques for enhancing performance.
- Examine theories related to how personality, arousal, aggression, motivation and attribution contribute to sport performance.

## Career and progression

This programme is designed to help you secure employment in the sport and exercise sector and/or a place at your first choice university. Higher Education can ultimately lead to careers in teaching, coaching, sports development, physiotherapy, sports journalism and sports management.

You can select this course alongside TWO other A Levels and/or A Level Equivalent(s) as part of your Study Programme.

## This course combines well with:

- Biology A Level
- Geography A Level
- Medical Science Level 3 Applied Diploma
- Psychology A Level

## Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths
- Science

This course is equivalent to one-and-a-half A Levels in UCAS points. You will need to complete TWO other A Levels alongside this course to build a full Study Programme.

## Where are they now?

Jon Dibben joined the Great Britain Olympic Academy as a velodrome cyclist. He is currently focussing on coaching new cycling talent.



"Lessons at Brock are always interesting and engaging. My teachers set me clear, achievable goals and give me whatever help and support

I might need. I have access to all the learning resources required to do well, along with helpful advice from my teachers about how to use them. The atmosphere in class is always positive and constructive, making me feel comfortable and happy."

## Kria-Sade Reid-Simpson

School attended: Noadswood School  
A Levels studied: Sport Science Level 3 Foundation Diploma, Criminology  
Level 3 Diploma, Photography

# TRAVEL AND TOURISM

These programmes are designed to open up a whole world of opportunities for travel and work across the globe. You will research the many different sectors within the industry and also explore global destinations, marketing, and how to manage the overall customer experience.



## LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

**1 YEAR**

### Course overview

This practical, work-related course focusses on giving you everything you need to lay the groundwork for a successful career in this varied and dynamic economic sector.

You will learn using a range of strategies including team-working, discussion, online activities, and paired and individual work.

### As a student you will:

- Study the attributes of various tourism destinations both in the UK and abroad.
- Learn about important factors that affect international travel and tourism to gain important insights.
- Develop an understanding of the different industries involved in travel and tourism.
- Explore different aspects of the customer experience and analyse ways you can improve it.

### Career and progression

These qualifications are designed to meet the specific needs of employers in the travel and tourism sector. Progression opportunities include Higher Education and work in the following settings: travel agencies, hotels, holiday camps, tour companies and airlines.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**2 YEARS**

### Course overview

Our Extended Diploma covers a range of important areas including customer service, enterprise, cultural understanding, marketing, and the underlying business structure of travel and tourism.

You may also take specialist routes within the course, including: working overseas, events and conferences, visitor attractions, and resort representation.

### As a student you will:

- Develop the skills to analyse and interpret statistics that measure the importance of tourism.
- Investigate diverse types of destinations.
- Explore how to apply the important customer service principles that support organisational success.
- Identify a gap in the current travel and tourism market and develop a plan to provide that experience.

## LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

## Where are they now?

Michelle Taylor secured a cabin crew job with Virgin Atlantic, which sees her travel extensively.



"Thanks to the help and support of my teachers, I've already been offered apprenticeship training to be a travel consultant with Hays Travel,

which I'm definitely going to take. I learned about the apprenticeship opportunity from my teacher, Michelle, who has always believed in me and encouraged me to do my best and succeed. I'll always remember my time at Brock fondly – especially now I have achieved what I wanted."

## Liam Phillips

School attended: Priestlands School  
Studied: Travel and Tourism Level 2 Extended Certificate, GCSE English Language



# UNIFORMED PROTECTIVE SERVICES

These courses will help you develop the personal, practical and physical attributes you need to establish a career in the uniformed protective services. You will also benefit from our integrated Cadet Unit and a range of volunteering opportunities.



## TEAMWORK AND LEADERSHIP IN THE COMMUNITY LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

1 YEAR

### Course overview

This work-related programme will give you a balance of public services knowledge, understanding and skills.

You will cover a range of important areas to prepare for your future vocation. These include navigation by map and compass, outdoor activities, expedition, working in a team, and health and fitness.

### As a student you will:

- Acquire a detailed understanding of discipline, citizenship and diversity.
- Develop your leadership and teamwork skills to help you become a more effective all-round public service asset.
- Participate in work experience through the Cadet Unit.
- Improve your maths and English in preparation for a Uniformed Protective Services application or progression to a Level 3 course.

### Career and progression

These learning opportunities are designed to prepare you for a range of public service roles. For example, you may choose to join a branch of the military. Alternatively, you may wish to join one of the emergency services or a government agency.

## UNIFORMED PROTECTIVE SERVICES LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

2 YEARS

### Course overview

Uniformed Protective Services is a combination of theoretical and practical units that will enable you to develop the academic and personal skills required for a career in a uniformed protective service.

You will research and produce written assignments, and develop your fitness, teamwork skills and confidence through hands-on training activities.

### As a student you will:

- Study government and government policies to achieve a grounding in public affairs.
- Analyse in detail how to respond to emergencies appropriately.
- Participate in adventurous outdoor activities including sports.
- Improve your leadership and teamwork skills to help you become a more effective public service asset.

## LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 3 and above to include:

- English Language grade 2
- Maths grade 2

If you have previously taken a Foundation course you should have achieved at least a Pass.

## LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

### Minimum entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above to include:

- English Language
- Maths

If you have previously taken a diploma you should have achieved at least a Pass.

### Where are they now?

Georgina Foster is now Corporal Foster in the Royal Air Force at Odiham, where she works on the frontline support helicopter base.



"I want to join the Fire Service, so Uniformed Protective Services has been the ideal course for me. My teachers have helped me a lot.

They have helped me understand all the complicated theory by explaining it simply. This has given me a really decent foundation of understanding to take forward. I also attend Fire Cadets at Ringwood every Friday, which has helped to accelerate my progress at college."

### Louis Evans

School attended: Ringwood School  
Studied: Teamwork and Leadership in the Community Level 2 Diploma, GCSE Maths





# APPRENTICESHIPS

**Apprenticeships give you a hands-on route to launching a successful career. At Brock we offer apprenticeships in a range of different areas to suit different abilities and facilitate career progression.**

Over the years we have forged strong relationships with many different employers from across our region. These established companies see us as an important partner in helping them fill skills gaps.

Feedback shows these organisations also value our support in helping them develop a workforce that will meet the challenges of tomorrow. Above all, we work closely with our employers to personalise your learning experience and develop your knowledge, skills and behaviours through bespoke training.

We offer apprenticeships in the following areas:

- Business Administration
- Customer Service
- Hospitality and Catering
- Management



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## DIRECTED STUDY

You will be set work by your college Assessor that meets your qualification standards. Your employer may give you time to complete this work, and you can use college facilities like Brock Hub.



## SUPPORT FROM EXPERTS

You will be assigned a college Assessor with a wealth of knowledge and experience in your industry, making them a valuable go-to resource for support.



## VIRTUAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

You will have access to our virtual learning site, where you will track your progress and submit work to your college Assessor.



## EARN WHILE YOU LEARN

As an apprentice you will benefit from a regular income on top of the qualification and experience you will gain. The amount of money depends on the company for which you work.



## GAIN INDUSTRY-SPECIFIC TRAINING

An apprenticeship is your way into the industry where you want to establish your career and gives you all the specialist training you need.



## GET QUALIFIED

You will receive a recognised qualification at the end of your apprenticeship. We will also help you gain Maths and English qualifications if necessary.



## KICK-START YOUR CAREER

Apprenticeships are mostly about learning by doing, which means you have the ideal opportunity to hit the ground running in your career.

# WHAT IS AN APPRENTICESHIP?

Our apprenticeship experts will help you find the right programme and employer. You can arrange to speak to one of our staff who will guide you through the apprenticeship journey as well as discuss your options. They are always on-hand to answer any questions you might have and support you wherever you are in your apprenticeship application journey.

Choose from over **12** different apprenticeship pathways

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## What is an apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship is a job. It's a paid opportunity that combines learning with training to give you a leg-up into the career you want.



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## How do I apply?

First you need to find an employer with an apprenticeship vacancy, which is a bit like job-hunting. At Brock we normally have around 20 vacancies at any one time that represent a range of industries and service sectors. Email [apprenticeships@brock.ac.uk](mailto:apprenticeships@brock.ac.uk) to find out more.



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## How do apprenticeships work?

As an apprentice you must attain knowledge and skills to an approved (often accredited) national standard. This helps ensure you can pave the way to a successful future while adding value to your employer's business.



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## How much does it cost?

An apprenticeship will cost you nothing. That's because it's paid for by the government and your employer. However, you must provide the time and effort needed to make a success of the opportunity.



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## How are you assessed?

All apprenticeships now have an independent End Point Assessment (EPA). Each assessment corresponds to the apprenticeship standard. Our training specialists can help explain what this means for you. EPAs won't happen until you and your employer decide you're ready, and 'distinction' grades are available for apprentices who excel.



We'll help you find the right role to match your goals



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## How am I supported?

You'll receive regular visits from your college Assessor, during which you can talk about your progress and discuss any problems. You'll also have access to our facilities and student support services, which means extra help with important things like CV writing and answering interview questions.



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## What is the commitment?

You'll commit to participating in all necessary training over one to four years, depending on your chosen job role. You'll also commit to forging a solid relationship with your employer and college Assessor, and complete all necessary college work. Importantly, you'll spend 20% of your time in 'off-the-job' training, which will be paid and may include time spent learning at college.





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## APPRENTICE Q&A

**"Hi, I'm Ben Rush. I'm currently a Sous Chef at Balmer Lawn Hotel & Spa in Brockenhurst. I completed my Professional Cookery Level 3 apprenticeship at Brockenhurst College."**

**Why did you choose an apprenticeship at Brock?**

"I had worked with a private training provider for my Level 2 course and was not impressed. I wanted a much more professional and thorough approach to my apprenticeship, and the reputation of Brockenhurst College helped me make my decision."

**How were you supported by your employer?**

"My employer was fully supportive and always gave me the time and the space to work with my Assessor, as well as paying for all the ingredients for me to complete my assessments and the practice sessions."

**What were you doing before you started your apprenticeship?**

"I was working in a restaurant where it was 'full-on', but there was no real time for learning or progression. Doing my apprenticeship has allowed me to do both."

**How did Brock help you?**

"The staff at Brock listened to me and supported me at all times. My supervisors were flexible with regard to when their visits took place, and they were able to spend longer with me when I required more attention. They were also available outside of our appointment times to talk through areas I was not sure about."

**How did your apprenticeship fit with your long-term career goals?**

"My apprenticeship helped me to gain promotion at work and developed my confidence and interpersonal skills. It also enabled me to progress to more senior positions that would not have otherwise been available to me. When I qualified I was promoted to Sous Chef by my employer."



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## EMPLOYER Q&A

**"Hi, I'm Zoe Ormerod. I'm the Senior Human Resources Advisor at the New Forest District Council."**

**How are you involved with apprenticeships?**

"We've been employing apprentices for many years, and since 2010 this has really taken a leap forward. The rest of the Human Resources team and I are involved in trying to find suitable opportunities for apprentices across our workforce. These opportunities vary from time to time, but generally we aim to match skills that our managers need with an existing apprenticeship scheme."

**What sort of training and support do you provide?**

"As well as allowing for 20% off-the-job training as part of the apprenticeship framework, we provide the bulk of additional knowledge and skills training. This includes the apprenticeship standard itself, as well as personal development and any other training that might be relevant."

**How do apprenticeships benefit your organisation?**

"Apprenticeships benefit our teams and the council as a whole by bringing fresh approaches and perspectives that are unique to young people. We get the additional pair of hands, and they get to train for a responsible and rewarding job role while also earning money. It's a win-win situation."

**How many apprentices do you take on?**

"The number of apprentices varies from year to year. It really depends on what the organisation needs at the time. We aim to employ apprentices right across all the services provided by the council, and we tend to have between 10 and 15 apprentices at any one time."

**What happens when an apprenticeship ends?**

"If we have appropriate job vacancies for an individual reaching the end of their apprenticeship, then we strongly encourage them to apply for that role. From Brockenhurst College we recruited a young woman called Ellie as a customer services apprentice, and she is now a permanent member of staff, working as a Customer Services Supervisor and mentoring new apprentices. So, as you can tell, it's a very positive cycle that we are keen to continue. We also have a Level 3 accountancy apprentice, who will be continuing with us to achieve a Level 4 apprenticeship qualification. Quite often we have grounds maintenance apprentices who go on to secure permanent roles with us as well."

# FAQ

## How long is the college day?

The college day runs from 9:00am until 4:20pm. You will have a lunch break, the time of which will vary depending on your timetable. You will not be required to remain on campus when not in lessons.

You will learn through timetabled lessons and Study Periods. Study Periods are important for completing independent learning, and you will have access to the College's facilities to aid this process. Once a week you will have a tutorial with your Academic Tutor.

Please note, the College may alter any timings for operational reasons.

## Where can I study outside of my lessons?

Brock Hub occupies two floors. It is open from 8:30am and features the following learning assets:

- Around 9,000 books, and over 130 PCs, Macs and laptops.
- Over 300 study places, providing opportunities for both individual and group study.
- A stationery shop that sells products more cheaply than leading retail outlets.

We also have over 40 spaces in our STEM Centre for independent study.

## How big are classes at Brock?

Class sizes vary depending on the course. Last year the average class size was 17 students.

## Can I take time off during term-time?

No. We take attendance very seriously because we know it is linked directly to your success. Therefore, we expect 100% attendance and we will not authorise your absence.

## How will I be supported?

You will meet with your Academic Tutor weekly during scheduled group tutorials. They will direct you to resources, pass on important messages, give guidance, and ultimately work hard to ensure that you are happy and performing well in your studies. You can also meet with your Academic Tutor one-to-one to discuss any issues – personal or college-related. Furthermore, we have a qualified Nurse, experienced Counsellors, and a helpful and knowledgeable Finance Advisor. Meanwhile, our well-equipped Student Services team is always on-hand to assist you with day-to-day issues related to travel, funding, appointments and directions. In addition, our Skills Development team members are experts in assessing students' needs and providing extra support to assist learning if necessary. Plus, we have a team of specialist staff available to provide additional learning support.

## How will you support me with the transition from school to college?

We have many ways to support you in making the step-up to college. The first is at Enrolment, when we will make sure you are on the right course(s) for you. Then, at the beginning of term, you will attend our Induction Day, which will help familiarise you with our college systems and processes. As a new student you will also take part in Welcome Week, during which we will outline our high expectations. Your subject lessons and Tutorial programme will then further help you make the successful transition from school. In addition, we will provide subject-specific study guides to you and your parents, which have been designed to help you remain on track.

## Is there any financial help available?

For information regarding college bursaries, including eligibility criteria and how to apply online, please visit [www.brock.ac.uk/bursaries](http://www.brock.ac.uk/bursaries)

Financial support could include:

- Free meals at college.
- Discounted college bus passes and support with rail costs.
- Up to 100% support towards the cost of essential course items such as core text books, uniforms, trips, materials fees, DBS checks and UCAS fees.

## Is there parking at college?

We have over 300 student parking spaces. Please see our website for current pricing.

## Can I change my subjects once I have applied?

Yes, you can – subject to availability and you meeting the course entry requirements. Initially you will be invited to an interview where your course choices will be discussed and you will be given the opportunity to change your mind. There may be some flexibility to change your subjects before you start your course. If you do wish to change courses, please let us know as soon as possible so we can make the necessary arrangements. Please email [admissions@brock.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@brock.ac.uk)



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## Our Open Event dates for 2024/25

Wednesday 25 September 2024 4:30pm – 8:00pm

Saturday 12 October 2024 9:30am – 1:30pm

Saturday 9 November 2024 9:30am – 1:30pm

Thursday 3 July 2025 5:00pm – 8:00pm

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