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**It begins at
NSCG**

Let's begin with a big hello

Greatness. It begins at NSCG.

You might not know it yet. But you will. Because great has to begin somewhere. And that somewhere is NSCG. We'll pave the way for success, awaken your ambition and inspire the extraordinary within you.



I'm delighted that you are thinking of making NSCG your college. As Staffordshire's leading college and one of the highest performing further education colleges in the country, we have a long established reputation for delivering excellent education and training and we are the only college locally with an Ofsted Outstanding rating.

Our talented staff team will go that extra mile to support you as you begin your adventure at NSCG. They have your success as their number one priority and their aim is to ensure you achieve to your full potential.

Our unrivalled range of 16-18 courses will give you plenty of options to choose from and our extra-curricular enrichment activities and first-class facilities are designed with you in mind.

During your time with us you'll be exposed to new possibilities to ensure you leave us equipped with the skills and knowledge needed to continue on your pathway to the career of your dreams.

As the newly appointed Principal of NSCG, I am immensely proud of our learners and the contribution they make to our college community, and beyond. Our 'Class of 2022' achieved record breaking results, with exceptional high grades in both A Level and BTEC subjects which resulted in 97% of students progressing to top universities, securing great jobs and amazing apprenticeship opportunities.

I very much look forward to meeting you at one of our Open Events. In the meantime, please remember that from the moment you join us, our focus is on you and your experience and I'm sure you'll have lots of fun along the way!

Your progress, your results, your journey – **it all begins at NSCG.**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Craig Hodgson". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Craig Hodgson
Principal & Chief Executive, NSCG



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Why NSCG?

Our results, **your** **success.**

Following two years of COVID disruption, the NSCG 'Class of 2022' totally bucked the national trend to pick up record breaking results.

We were exceptionally proud of our students who've shown resilience, drive, determination and ambition to secure these incredible results.



99.1%

A Level pass rate

87% of A Level entries achieved A* - C grades.

64% of A Level entries achieved A* - B grades.



Sophie Wood studied Biology (A*), Chemistry (A), PE (A*) & EPQ (A*) securing a place at Keele University to study Medicine.

1,222 students completed a BTEC Extended Diploma with a...

98.4%

pass rate

49% of BTEC Extended Diploma students achieved high grades of DDD or above (equivalent to three 'A' grades at A Level).



Madeline Day studied Art (A), Media Studies (A), Philosophy, Religion & Ethics (A*) & EPQ (A) securing a place at the University of Exeter to study Theology & Religion.



Tyberiusz Czapinski studied Accounting (A), Economics (A*), Maths (A) & Further Maths (A) securing a place at the University of Cambridge to study Economics.



Danny Sanders studied our BTEC Level 3 in Sport (D*D*D*) and is progressing onto Loughborough University to study Sport Science.

Ofsted Outstanding

We're Outstanding

NSCG was the first further education provider in England to achieve top grades in every area of Ofsted's reformed Education Inspection Framework (EIF).

- NSCG provides an Outstanding learning experience.
- NSCG is a top-performing, vibrant, thriving college.
- Students develop the knowledge to be successful.
- NSCG has exceptional links with employers.
- Staff set challenging distinction-level assignments.
- Students gain the specific knowledge and skills employers demand.
- Students develop confidence, resilience and wellbeing.

Read
our full
Ofsted
report:



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“ The report praised us for our “positive, stimulating and safe learning environment”, “highly motivated staff and students” with “exemplary behaviour and attitudes to learning”. ”

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An inspirational environment

So, what can we tell you about your campuses at NSCG? We are constantly investing in our facilities to ensure our students enjoy the best learning environment in the region. Come and explore the campus at an upcoming Open Event, alternatively contact our Schools Liaison team who can arrange a 1-2-1 tour.

Gordon Banks Sports Centre

Given your brain a workout? Ready to feel the burn? Join our gym or one of our Abs Blast, HIIT circuits, Pilates or Yoga classes. Pay-as-you-go or become a member and get a fantastic student discount

Academy of Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy

If you've got some free time between lessons you can treat yourself in our campus salon. Unwind and enjoy a bit of 'me time' by getting a relaxing facial, manicure or a fresh skin fade!

Olympic Lounge

Got some spare time in between lessons and independent study time? Check out our Olympic Lounge for a game of pool, a great spot to hangout with friends.

Learning Resource Centre (LRC)

Ramp up your studies with access to the latest tech, software and digital support that's designed to take your learning to a whole new level. It's the perfect place to study between lessons with more than 18,000 books, magazines and newspapers, as well as a range of online resources that can be accessed from home to assist your studies.

Starbucks and Food Hall

Grab a Starbucks from our Coffee Lounge where we serve all of your favourite Starbucks drinks! Pick up a meal deal from our College Shop or if you want something a little more hearty to eat, check out the Food Hall.



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Take
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virtual
tour:



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Here for you.

During your time with us, your wellbeing is our top priority. We are committed to being there for you every step of the way.



Student Services Team

Our incredible Student Services team can help remove any barriers that are getting between you and your learning. Whether you're eligible for in-class support, need financial advice and assistance or you just need someone to talk to – we're here for you.

Individual Learning Plan

To track your progress we've developed leading-edge tools to help you complete an Individual Learning Plan (ILP) that you and your tutors can use to set targets and monitor your progress.

Personal Tutor

Your Personal Tutor will be on hand to support you, encourage you to meet your deadlines, smash your targets and push you to exceed at every step.



Student Wellbeing Officers

If you're struggling with anything either in college or in your personal life, don't worry. Our dedicated Student Wellbeing Officers are here to help and there's an Officer for each curriculum area.

Money Matters

There are two types of financial support available: College Maintenance Allowance (CMA) and Vulnerable Student Bursary (VSB). Both allowances include support for food, travel and essential course costs.

Equality For All

If you have specific learning difficulties, our Additional Learning Support (ALS) team can provide tailored support to make sure you're achieving to the best of your ability.

You're in safe hands!

Find the help you're looking for at nmsg.ac.uk/support or email help.newcastle@nmsg.ac.uk



Your Study Programme

More than just a course

At NSCG, whatever course you choose to study, you'll also be given a dedicated Study Programme alongside your chosen course to help you to develop personally.

Whether that's trips abroad or hearing from influential guest speakers, your Study Programme is designed to get you ready for university, an apprenticeship or the workplace.



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Trips and visits

There are a range of trips organised throughout the year that you could get involved in. Whether that's a residential trip in the UK or abroad, or a visit to museums, galleries or leading business headquarters, these trips are designed to help your studies.

Work experience

During your time with us, we'll be encouraging you to undertake a work experience placement in the industry you're keen to get in to. It's a great way to get an understanding of a real working environment and make some useful contacts for further down the line. We have a dedicated Work Placements team who will help to organise this for you.

Maths & English

You'll be encouraged to continuously develop these key subjects. If you don't achieve grades 9-4 whilst at school, maths and/or English sessions will be on your timetable and you'll retake qualifications alongside your main course.

Extra-curricular activities

Make the most out of college life and making new friends by taking part in extra-curricular activities such as our Duke of Edinburgh (DofE) qualification, joining our Academy of Sport, joining our Academy of Sport, competing in Esports tournaments and leagues as part of the NSCG Tigers team, or joining one of the many clubs or societies on offer.

Tutorial sessions

When you start with us in September, you'll be assigned a dedicated Personal Tutor, a friendly member of staff who will be your go-to person with any queries or concerns. Weekly tutorial sessions will take place with them and it's a great opportunity to discuss events and activities taking place around campus, as well as making sure that you're happy and on-track with your studies.

Your next steps.

**Make your great
expectations greater.**

**Your adventure starts here
but if you're not sure what
to do next, we'll provide
you with all the information
you'll need to help support
your future progression.**

We're one of the top colleges nationally for university progression and at NSCG you'll receive one-to-one support to fine tune your personal statement so you can be sure your UCAS application stands out. We can offer your parents some peace of mind too as throughout the year we hold events to help explain the university process which will help you make a smooth transition from college to university.

If you're not sure university is for you, our Apprenticeship Hub team can support you with higher-level apprenticeship applications so you can gain a degree-level qualification whilst earning a wage. A Level 4-5 apprenticeship is equivalent to a university-level programme, such as a foundation degree or HNC/D and is an industry recognised qualification.

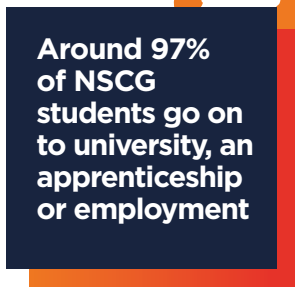
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**college locally for university
progression. We send more
students to university every
year than any other college
in Staffordshire.**

1140
students
in 2021
progressed
to 83
universities



**Around 97%
of NSCG
students go on
to university, an
apprenticeship
or employment**



University of Liverpool

University of Edinburgh

University of Manchester

Manchester Metropolitan
University (MMU)

Durham University

University of Leeds

University of Sheffield

University of Derby

University of Nottingham

Keele
University

Staffordshire
University

University of
Birmingham

University of Warwick

University of
Cambridge

Cardiff University

University of Oxford

University of Southampton



Reimagining your



Aim high.

If you'd describe yourself as ambitious, hard-working and a high achiever our Honours Programme pathway could help stretch and challenge you to ensure you really stand out from the crowd.

If you're aiming for one of the most competitive universities such as those in the Russell Group, or the most competitive courses such as medicine, then high grades, although essential, aren't enough on their own to secure a place. Everything we do in the Honours Programme is about equipping you with the skills and experience that will really make the difference as our consistently high success rates with Oxbridge, medicine and veterinary applications prove.

Olivia Berrisford studied A Levels in Biology (A*), Chemistry (A) and Graphic Design (A*) and secured a place at the University of Bristol to study Veterinary Science.

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“Honours Programme students realise their ambition to achieve a place at high performing universities.” Ofsted

future.

You can expect

- Specialist personal tutor group focusing on the development of critical thinking skills.
- Specialist UCAS application workshops tailored to the demands of the most selective universities.
- Talks from visiting academics and professionals.
- Visits to universities such as Oxford, Cambridge, Warwick, Lancaster and Durham.
- Specialist workshops in Medicine and Veterinary Science.
- Subject specific guidance on wider reading opportunities.
- Extended Project Qualifications (EPQ).
- Team-building and leadership development day.
- The Duke of Edinburgh Award.



Thomas Hush studied A Levels in Chemistry (A*), Physics (A*) and Further Maths (A*) and progressed to the University of Cambridge to study Mathematics.

Do you make the grade?

To study this additional programme alongside your A Levels, you'll have achieved mainly 9-7 grades in your GCSEs. It's definitely worth putting in the hard work now.

Places are strictly limited. To express interest and for more information, email: honours@nscg.ac.uk or visit nscg.ac.uk/honoursprogramme

Pick up the pace.



Take playing seriously, assemble your squad and flex more than your mental muscles during your time at NSCG. We have incredible facilities in our Academy of Sport, with opportunities available to everyone.

Sports academies

Become a member of TEAM:NSCG and you could be representing us in the Association of Colleges (AoC) regional and national competitions, leagues and cups.

We have seven different performance academies which include teams competing in: badminton, basketball, cricket, football, netball, rugby and volleyball.

Coach education programme

Get a recognised coaching qualification in sports like football, basketball, netball and rugby.

Sports volunteer and leadership programme

Be a team player and get involved in sports volunteering and coaching in the local community and you could become a part of the FA National Football Activator Programme.



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ACADEMY OF
SPORT



Find out
more
about
our NSCG
Academy
of Sport



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Elite Sports Performance Programme

If you compete at county level or above you can take advantage of FREE physio and massage sessions, plus free fitness suite membership to keep you in first-rate physical condition.

Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS)

If you're competing at county level or above, you can join the Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS) – Dual Career Accreditation. The programme aims to allow talented athletes to successfully achieve in both their chosen course and sport.



Your game Raised.

If you're a talented and skilled football player who can't get enough of the game and you're committed and disciplined, we can help develop your talent, both on and off the pitch.

Open to male and female players, The Andy Griffin Football Academy (AGFA) is a two-year full-time programme overseen by ex-Premiership pro and former Stoke City Captain Andy Griffin, who is committed to giving gifted players the chance to realise their dreams and to play at the highest level. If you are at a professional football academy or centre of excellence, are involved in county trials or talented enough to play at a high club level, then it's game on!

Your study options*:

Vocational Programmes

Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport
Level 2 BTEC Extended Certificate in Sport

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)

Study three subjects alongside being a member of the AGFA.

*These are the preferred pathways to study as part of the AGFA, however if timetabling permits, there are courses other than Sport and A Levels you can study. Get in touch to find out more.



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“Now is your time. Show us what you’re made of.”

Andy Griffin, Head Coach



Find out more about being part of AGFA at:



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Ambition

Excellence

Greatness

Inspiration

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Wherever you want to go in life,
whatever you want to do, it all
begins here. Because from here,
you can go anywhere.

It begins at
NSCG

Entry Requirements

Do it yourself

Follow your own path and find the right course for you and your qualifications...

A Level & A+ Programmes

Sixth Form Academic Route (Level 3)

In 2022, 87.3% of students achieved A*-C grades in their A Level results.

Quick overview: Typically, students choose to study three A Level subjects over two years. However, you can choose to study two A Level subjects and one A+ Programme (BTEC Extended Certificate – equivalent to one A Level) over two years.

To study, you will need: A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 5 or above including maths and English Language in subjects relevant to your chosen course.*

What you can do next: You can progress to university, a university level course here at NSCG, a higher apprenticeship at NSCG or to employment.

Find out more about our A Level & A+ Programmes including entry requirements, scan here:



Vocational Programmes

Sixth Form Vocational Route (Level 3)

In 2022, 49% of Level 3 vocational programme students achieved high grades of DDD or above (equivalent to three 'A' grades at A Level)

Quick overview: Choose from a wide-range of courses which you will study for two years.

To study, you will need: A minimum of four or more high grades at GCSE in subjects relevant to the course you'd like to study, including maths and/or English Language at grade 4 or above.

What you can do next: You can progress to university, a university level course here at NSCG, an apprenticeship at NSCG or to employment.

Find out more about our Vocational Programmes including entry requirements, scan here:



Progression and Skills Pathways

Quick overview: If you're not quite ready to join a Level 3 programme, our vocational Progression Pathways allow you to study at Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2 and will prepare you to progress onto a higher level vocational course.

Level 2, Level 1 & Entry Level

Alternatively, if you want skills based training in areas such as hairdressing, beauty and construction, you'll start your journey on a Level 1 Skills Pathway, before progressing to higher levels.

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At NSCG you can choose from a wide range of options including A Levels, A+ Programmes, Vocational courses, T-Levels and also Foundation Studies. Whichever path you choose, your personalised study programme will help you to prepare for your next steps whether it's university, an apprenticeship, further training or employment.

T-Levels

Sixth Form T-Level Route (Level 3)

Quick overview: A T-Level is an industry-recognised, two-year course that is an alternative to A Levels and vocational programmes. They bring classroom learning and an extended industry placement (at least 45 days) together on a course designed with businesses and employers.

To study, you will need: Typically, a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including maths and English Language, in subjects relevant to your chosen course.*

What you can do next: You can progress to university, a university level course here at NSCG, an apprenticeship at NSCG or to employment.

Find out more about our T-Level Programmes, including entry requirements, scan here:



Apprenticeships

Available at Levels 2 to 5

Our apprenticeship achievement rates are more than 13% above the national average.

Quick overview: Apprenticeships are great if you want to jump straight into the world of work, earn a wage and pick up technical and practical skills while you study for a nationally recognised qualification.

To study, you will need: Two or more GCSEs at grade 4 or above in subjects relevant to your course. However, in some sectors, employers ask for a minimum of grade 4/5 in maths and English.

What you can do next: You can progress to a higher level apprenticeship, full-time course at NSCG or full-time employment.

Find out more about our Apprenticeships, including entry requirements, scan here:



Find out more about our Progression and Skills Pathways including entry requirements, scan here:



GCSE Maths & English

If you haven't yet achieved grades 9-4 in these important subjects, maths and/or English sessions will be on your timetable and you'll retake qualifications alongside your main course.

Find your pathway

A Levels & A+ Programme



If you are an academic learner and want to progress to university or a higher apprenticeship, our two-year A Level or A+ Programmes could be a great option for you.

Most students study three subjects. But if you have a track record of high achievement, you might decide to study four A Level subjects, or take an Extended Project Qualification as your fourth subject. You must be comfortable studying for, and taking, external exams because that's how most A Level subjects are assessed at the end of the two years.

An A+ Programme lets you combine A Level subjects with a BTEC Extended Certificate for a better balance of exams and coursework.

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If this is you:

- I don't mind being assessed mostly by exams
- I like theories, ideas and facts
- I want to study three subjects in depth
- I intend to go on to university or get a higher apprenticeship
- I'm happy doing independent study and research outside the classroom

Then an A Level programme could be for you! Talk to us about your preferred combination of subjects and fill in an application form.

Choose four subjects and as long as you achieve the required entry qualifications, we will help you to narrow your subject choices down to three before you join us in September.

Find out more at:



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A Levels (Level 3)

- Art
- Biology
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Drama and Theatre
- Economics
- English Language
- English Literature
- Environmental Science
- Film Studies
- Further Maths
- Geography
- Graphic Design
- History
- Illustration and Animation
- Law
- Maths
- Media Studies
- Philosophy, Religion & Ethics
- Photography
- Physical Education (PE)
- Physics
- Politics
- Psychology
- Sociology

A+ Programmes (Level 3)

- Applied Business
- Applied Criminology
- Applied Engineering
- Applied Human Biology
- Applied Law
- Applied Psychology
- Applied Science
- Financial Studies
- Mathematical Studies*
- Sports Science

*Mathematical Studies equates to half an A Level and can only be studied as a fourth subject.

“ Staff really do go above and beyond to support you.”



Zach Edwards

A Level student Zach joined the College on an A Level programme and since day one had a dedicated approach to his studies and really enjoyed the flexibility and freedom college life has to offer. However, it wasn't all plain sailing for Zach, who was diagnosed with Dyslexia during his time at college.

Zach received additional support and 1-2-1 tutoring during lessons and in exams to help him achieve to the best of his ability. Zach has now bagged an impressive place at university and couldn't be happier. He'll always be grateful to the staff at NSCG for going above and beyond to help him and other learners succeed.

Previous School

Clayton Hall Academy

Courses

A Levels in Computer Science (A*), Physics (A*), Maths (A) & EPQ (A*)

Destination

Durham University to study Computer Science

“The facilities at NSCG are absolutely amazing!”

Isabel Glover

As she was coming towards the end of high school, Isabel knew that she wanted to pursue her artistic flair at college and after taking a peek at the creative facilities at NSCG's Open Event, her mind was made up.

Isabel immersed herself in college life and got involved in trips, heard from VIP guest lecturers and made friends for life. Due to Isabel's hard work and dedication, her dream of becoming a professional Photographer is one step closer, as she leaves NSCG to study Photography at one of the largest universities in the country.

Previous School

Haywood Academy

Courses

A Levels in Photography (A*), Media Studies (A) and Graphic Design (A)

Destination

Nottingham Trent University to study Photography



Find your pathway

Vocational Program



Up your credentials with one of our challenging vocational courses.

A two-year BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma is equivalent to three A Levels.

The focus is on coursework, with a balance of hands-on practical experience and some external assessments - a great choice if you know the kind of area you want to work in. And they are also widely-recognised qualifications to get you into university, apprenticeships or employment.



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If this is you:

- I'm organised and good with deadlines.
- I like working on a few assignments at the same time.
- I want to focus on one subject that relates to my chosen career.
- I want to go on to university, get a higher apprenticeship or a job.

Then a vocational course could be for you!

We offer a wider range of career-based courses that will allow you to develop your skills and knowledge vocationally.

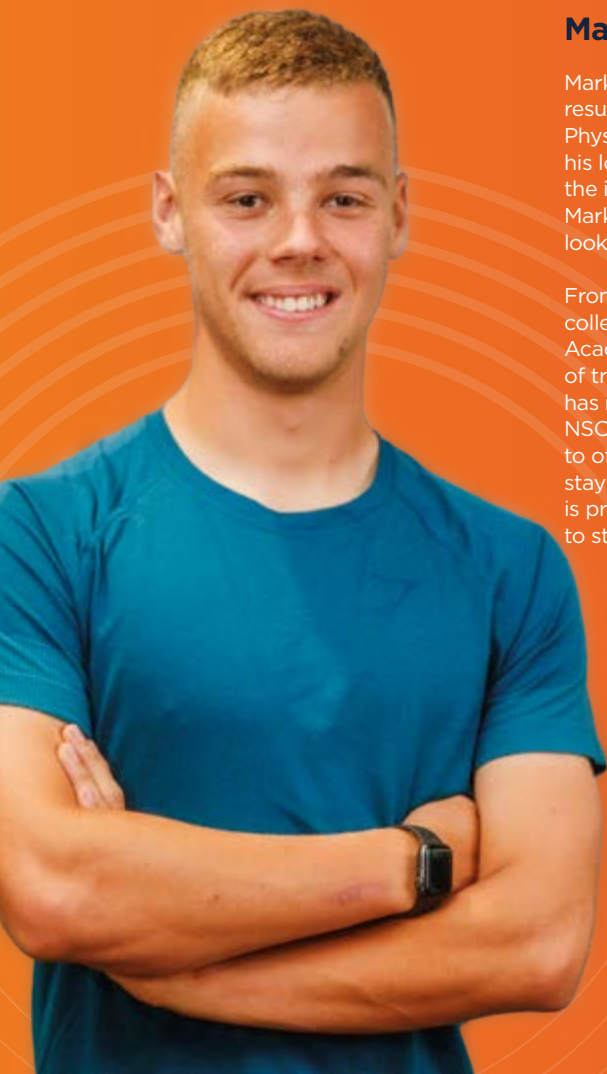
Find out more at:
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Vocational (Level 3)

- Acting
- Applied Science
- Art & Design
- Business
- Dance
- Electrical Installation
- ESports
- Fashion & Textiles
- Forensic & Criminal Investigation
- Games Design, Animation & Concept Art
- Graphic Design
- Health & Social Care
- Information Technology
- Media Practice
- Music Performance
- Music Production
- Musical Theatre
- Personal Training & Instruction
- Photography & Digital Media
- Production Arts (Technical Theatre)
- Sport
- Sport & Exercise Science
- Travel & Tourism with Events
- Uniformed Protective Services

“ College life gives so much freedom and room to grow.”



Mark Leigh

Mark gained an impressive set of GCSE results and after securing a grade 9 in Physical Education, he wanted to pursue his love of this subject at college. With the impressive sports facilities on offer, Mark applied to NSCG and never once looked back!

From day one, Mark jumped straight into college life by playing football within the Academy of Sport and taking advantage of trips and visits as part of his course. Mark has made friends for life during his time at NSCG and has enjoyed the freedom it has to offer compared to school. Wanting to stay close to his new circle of friends, Mark is progressing to Staffordshire University to study Sports Science.

Previous School

Alleyne's Academy

Course

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport & Exercise Science (D*D*D*)

Destination

Staffordshire University to study Sports Science

“I’ve been on so many trips that have really helped my studies.”

Ronni Harper

Ronni joined the College after being ‘wowed’ at the facilities on offer while visiting an Open Event. Since a young age, Ronni’s passion has been music and performance, so she decided to study a Musical Theatre course where she got to study in our state-of-the-art £5.5 million Performing Arts Centre.

Ronni is really grateful to all of the staff who, in her words, “went above and beyond” to help her achieve to the best of her ability. Ronni’s dream is to perform in the West End and because of her dedication to her studies, and not to mention her amazing performance talents, Ronni has secured a place at the leading Performing Arts institution in the country, Italia Conti.

Previous School

St Margaret Ward Catholic Academy

Course

BTEC Level 3 Extended
Diploma in Musical Theatre
(D*D*D*)

Destination

Italia Conti, London, to
study Musical Theatre



Find your pathway

T-Level Courses.

T-Levels are a BRAND NEW two-year qualification that you can study as an alternative to A Levels or vocational programmes and on completion, you'll receive an industry recognised qualification that is equivalent to three A Levels.

They bring classroom learning and an extended industry placement together on a course designed with businesses and employers.

Each T-Level includes an in-depth industry placement that lasts at least 45 days. Students get valuable experience in the workplace; employers get early sight of the new talent in their industry.

T-LEVELS
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION





If this is you:

- I want to gain hands-on work experience, with an extended industry placement
- I want to put the theory I'm learning into practice
- I have a career in mind
- I want to go on to university, get a higher apprenticeship or a job

Then a T-Level could really work for you! We work with hundreds of local employers to help secure you a fantastic work placement as part of your course. We have a team of people who will help find you the perfect placement to complement your career goals, which you will complete alongside working towards your main qualification. To help with completing your coursework, you'll also get a brand-new laptop to use for the duration of your course.

T-Levels (Level 3)

- Adult Nursing
- Building Services Design
- Business Administration
- Digital Coding & Technology
- Education & Childcare
- Electrical & Electronic Engineering
- Electrical Installation & Maintenance
- Mechanical Engineering
- Midwifery
- Surveying & Design for Construction

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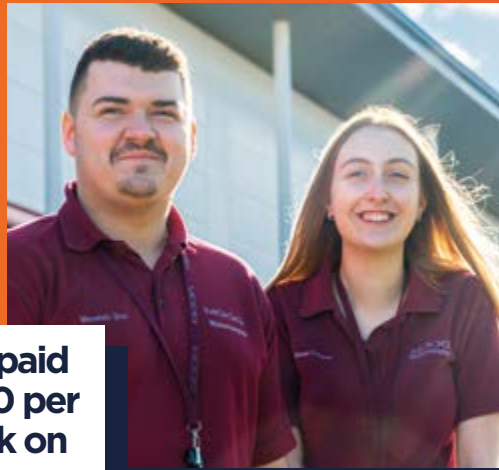
Apprenticeships

Earn & Learn.

Make it work.

Earn while you learn and combine practical training and study whilst gaining knowledge and skills.

Oh! And you'll also get paid whilst doing it.



**Get paid
£250 per
week on
average**

We work with around 900 employers across Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, Shropshire and Cheshire. Here is just an example of a few of them:

SIEMENS

HITACHI

DELL



MICHELIN

IAE

NHS

MOOG

CAPULA



**ST. MODWEN
LOGISTICS**



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great things together

Our subjects:

Accounting, Barbering, Beauty Therapy, Brickwork, Business Administration, Carpentry & Joinery, Construction Plant Maintenance, Customer Service, Digital Marketing, Digital Support Technician, Early Years, Electrical Installation & Maintenance,

Engineering, Engineering Production & Design, Hairdressing, Health Care, Hospitality & Catering, Lean Manufacturing, Motor Vehicle, Print, Retail, Software Development Technician, Team Leading & Management.

Your study options:

Intermediate Apprenticeship (Level 2)

The Level 2 Apprenticeship is equivalent to five GCSEs at grade 9-4.

Advanced Apprenticeship (Level 3)

The Level 3 Apprenticeship is equivalent to two A Levels.

Higher Apprenticeship (Levels 4-5)

The Level 4-5 Apprenticeship is equivalent to a university-level programme such as a Foundation Degree or HNC/HND.

The Apprenticeship Hub:

The Apprenticeship Hub is a free service where you can find an apprenticeship and get advice on all aspects of employment, including writing a CV, interview preparation tips and help in finding the right apprenticeship for you.



Our Apprenticeship results are **13%** above the national average

Find out more about our courses at:



nscg.ac.uk

“ My apprenticeship has changed my life.”



Ali Gee

Ali left school still unsure about what he wanted to study at college. He knew that he wanted to start earning his own money but wanted to continue his education. Based on his passion for food and cooking, Ali applied for the Commis Chef Apprenticeship at NSCG and managed to bag a job at multi-award-winning restaurant, Aston Marina.

Ali praises his employer for their supportive working environment and thoroughly enjoys going into work. His assessor visits him in the workplace regularly to keep an eye on his coursework progress and Ali also attends college one day a week to complete his qualification. On completion of his Apprenticeship, Ali hopes that he will progress into a more senior role at Aston Marina with the aim of becoming their Junior Sous Chef.

Course

Commis Chef Apprentice

Employer

Aston Marina, Stone

“ It’s helped me to get into a job that I love. ”

Aimee Cooper

Since a young age, a career in Engineering has been at the forefront of Aimee’s mind. However, she didn’t like the idea of studying at university. So an Apprenticeship was the perfect solution! When she saw that MOOG Aircraft Group were recruiting for Engineering Apprentices, Aimee jumped at the chance to apply. She had to complete a rigorous interview process as there was a lot of competition for the role but Aimee’s preparation beforehand paid off as she was offered a position. She couldn’t wait to get started.

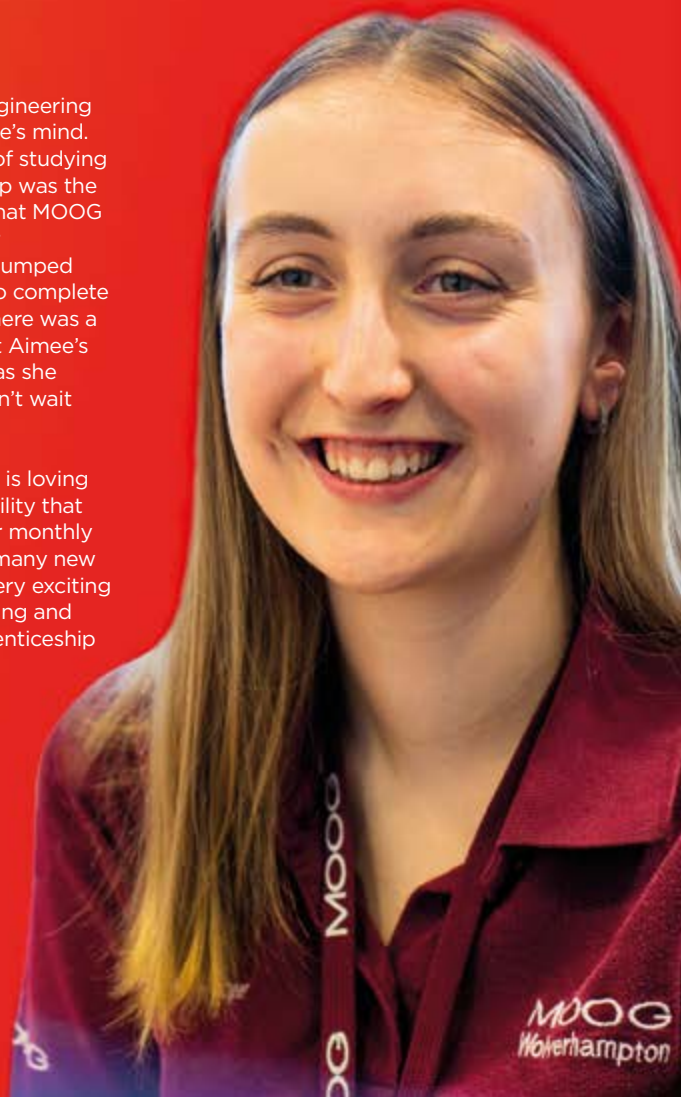
Fast-forward to today and Aimee is loving her Apprenticeship and the flexibility that comes with it (not to mention her monthly pay packet)! She has developed many new skills and knowledge about the very exciting and innovative world of Engineering and can’t wait to see where her Apprenticeship will take her within the industry.

Course

Advanced Engineering
Apprentice

Employer

MOOG, Wolverhampton



Find your pathway

Skills & Progression Pathways

If you're not quite ready to join a Level 3 programme, our vocational Progression Pathways allow you to study at Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2.

Whether you've struggled at school, lack confidence or need an extra push these programmes will help prepare you to progress onto a higher level vocational course, employment or an apprenticeship. Alongside your chosen subject, there is also a big focus on improving your maths and English skills.

Alternatively, if you are looking for skills-based training in an area like Hairdressing & Beauty or Construction, as part of our Skills Pathway, you'll start your journey on a Level 1 course and progress to higher levels.

If this is you:

- I like applied learning, but I want to build my skills, knowledge and confidence first
- Then I'd like to study a higher-level vocational or skills programme, get an apprenticeship or get a job

Then a Skills & Progression pathway could be for you! You'll get to learn from industry experienced staff who have been there, done that, and got the t-shirt, whilst learning in top-class facilities with cutting-edge technology.



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Skills & Progression Pathways (Entry Level, Level 1 & Level 2)

- Accounting (AAT)
- Art, Design & Digital Media
- Beauty
- Brickwork
- Business
- Carpentry & Joinery
- Children's Play, Learning & Development
- Electrical Installation
- Hair & Media Make-up
- Hairdressing
- Health & Social Care
- Information Technology
- Performing & Production Arts Industry Skills
- Practical Engineering
- Public Services
- Sport
- Travel & Tourism with Events

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Accounting, Business Computing, Esports & Travel

Be your own success.

Do you have an entrepreneurial spirit? Or are you excited by the changes in technology? Perhaps you are captured by the ever changing world of tourism? Or maybe you have a head for figures? If you aspire to become an industry mover and shaker, you're in the right place.

We offer a wide range of courses to lead you into a career in the lucrative world of business or professional services. Throughout your course you will work on live project briefs and benefit from industry-experienced staff who will help you succeed at every step.

Your study options:

Vocational Programmes (Level 3)

T-Levels (Level 3)

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 and below)

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Our subjects:

Accounting, Business,
Business Administration,
Digital Coding & Technology,
Computer Science,
Economics, Esports,
Financial Studies,
Information Technology,
Law, Travel, Tourism & Events



Care, Education, Nursing & Midwifery

Find your calling.

If you're passionate about building the futures or changing the lives of people of all ages, we offer a range of courses to help you achieve your dream career goals.

Our Care, Health and Education courses are taught by industry-experienced staff via motivational and inspirational lessons which will instil core values, specialist knowledge and ensure you secure yourself a brilliant start in your chosen career. Alongside high-quality teaching, you'll also have the opportunity to gain hands-on experience during your chosen work placement, leaving you fully equipped to continue making steps towards your future.

Your study options:

Vocational Programmes (Level 3)

T-Levels (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 and below)



55%

of Health & Social Care learners achieved DDD (equivalent to three 'A' grades at A Level) or above.



Care & Education students visit Disneyland Paris as part of a residential trip.

Our subjects:

Adult Nursing, Education & Childcare, Health & Social Care, Midwifery



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Construction & Engineering

Building blocks for success. Carve yourself a future to be proud of and build a career from your handiwork in the Construction or Engineering industry.

You will use mechanical and electronic tools in industry-standard workshops and labs to manufacture, create and learn as you gain necessary skills through hands-on experience. You will also benefit from dynamic teaching led by tutors with extensive experience in the industry.

Skilled technicians, both locally and nationally, are in huge demand so ensure a stable future and lay the foundations for success with us.

Your study options:

T-Levels (Level 3)

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 and below)



Institute of Technology (IoT)

A bid led by NSCG and backed by key employer partners Dell, Hitachi Energy, MOOG, Siemens and St. Modwen Logistics has secured a brand new £18M Institute of Technology (IoT), which will provide employer-focused higher level courses to equip learners with the advanced engineering skills needed to quickly move into exciting jobs in engineering, construction design and computing.

Our subjects:

**Brickwork, Building Services
Design, Carpentry & Joinery,
Electrical Installation &
Maintenance, Surveying
& Design for Construction,
Electrical & Electronic
Engineering,
Mechanical Engineering**

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Creative Arts, Film & Media

Unleash your creativity. Express yourself, amaze yourself, hone your talents and craft a career from your passion. We have that special effect on creative careers.

Whether you want to develop technical skills, experiment with new ideas or become a visual and creative thinker, we have a range of courses for you to choose from.

Your artistic talents will be developed in our state-of-the-art faculty which contains specialist studios with industry standard equipment. Throughout your course you will build a portfolio of work and have the opportunity to showcase your talents and enter your work in industry sector awards as well as exhibiting in our fantastic end of year exhibition.



Your study options:

Vocational Programmes (Level 3)

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 and below)

Our subjects:

Art & Design, Fashion & Textiles, Film Studies, Illustration & Animation, Games Design, Animation & Concept Art, Graphic Design, Media Practice, Media Studies, Photography & Digital Media



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Hairdressing, Beauty & Media Make-up

Be a cut above.

Love to pamper and make people look and feel their best? Our commercial state-of-the-art salons are the perfect place to learn everything from cutting and colouring to beauty and make-up.

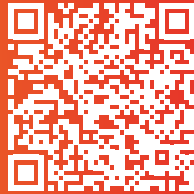
You'll start your journey right away, gaining the skills you need with hands-on experience in our Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy Academy, supported by industry leaders Wella and Dermalogica. As well as working in our busy salon, which is open to the public, you'll also get the opportunity to gain vital work experience at one of the award-winning salons we work in partnership with, leaving you fully equipped to continue making steps towards your future.

Your study options:

Vocational Programmes (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 and below)

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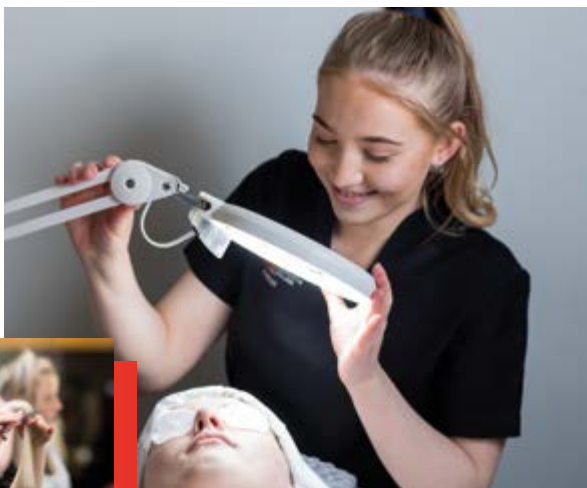




Hairdressing, Beauty and Media Make-up students put on an end-of-year fashion show.

Our subjects:

Beauty, Hairdressing, Hair & Media Make-up



Humanities, English & Social Sciences

Think outside the box.

We are bold, independent thinkers and here you'll have the space to explore fascinating questions and develop big ideas. Through lively debates, research and study you will develop a mature, questioning intellect, all of which are essential skills that universities and ultimately employers are looking for.

Across the humanities and social sciences courses, you'll learn a vast selection of transferable techniques and abilities such as critical thinking, analysis, problem solving, observation and interpretation.

Oh, and on some of our courses you'll also have the opportunity to travel to exciting destinations such as Iceland and New York!

Your study options:

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)



86%

of students achieved grades
A*-C in Humanities, English
& Social Sciences A Level
subjects, with some
subjects achieving
100%.



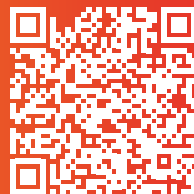
Psychology & Sociology students visit New York, USA as part of their studies.



Our subjects:

Criminology,
English Language,
English Literature,
Geography, History,
Philosophy, Religion
& Ethics,
Politics,
Psychology,
Sociology

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Music & Performing Arts

Take centre stage.

Are music and performing arts your gig? You won't find a better venue than NSCG! You can act, sing and dance your way to success in our dedicated £5.5 million Performing Arts Centre, which includes a 200-seat theatre for live performances and a top-spec music technology suite.

You will be supported throughout by industry-experienced lecturers and technicians as you strengthen your understanding of the performing arts and hone your craft. Our courses will also help to equip you with many other valuable transferable skills such as confidence, resilience and teamwork. Since treading the boards here we've seen alumni go on to form successful bands, theatre groups and become West End performers. We can't wait to see what you can do.

Your study options:

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)

Vocational Programmes (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 and below)

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Our subjects:

Acting, **Dance**, Music Performance, **Music Production**, Musical Theatre, **Technical Theatre**



Science & Maths

Breakthrough at NSCG.

Discover the undiscovered and provide yourself with a solid foundation on which to expand your career and your mind.

There are lots of exciting job opportunities for people with STEM skills (that's Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) with research and breakthroughs in this field changing the way we live our lives.

STEM skills are in high demand and the UK STEM industries are looking for bright, enthusiastic and innovative young people, so help fill the skills gap with an exciting and rewarding career in Science or Maths.

Your study options:

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)

Vocational Programmes (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 or below)

Find out more about our courses at:

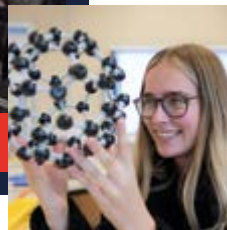


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Science & Maths students at NSCG meet Professor Brian Cox.



Our subjects:

Applied Science, Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Financial Studies, Forensic & Criminal Investigation, Further Maths, Mathematical Studies, Maths, Human Biology, Physics

92%

of A Level Further Maths students achieved grades A*-C.

Sport & Public Services

Get set, go!

Looking for an active career? Or do you like a personal challenge? If you prefer being on your feet than sitting at a desk, a career in Sport or Public Services will keep you busy and promise to be a rewarding one.

Our Sport courses will help you to hone your communication, leadership and teamwork skills as you develop as a coach and explore the anatomy, physiology and psychology of sport. Our range of industry recognised fitness qualifications will develop your skills when working in both individual and group based exercise settings. Or let us put you through your paces and test your mental and physical abilities as you prepare for the demands of a career in the uniformed public services such as the Police, the Ambulance Service, the Fire and Rescue Service or the British Army, Royal Air Force or Royal Navy.

Your study options:

Vocational Programmes (Level 3)

Skills or Progression Pathways (Level 2 and below)

A Level & A+ Programmes (Level 3)



Our subjects:

Personal Training & Instruction, Physical Education, Sport, Sport & Exercise Science, Sports Science, Uniformed Protective Services



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Pathway progressi

If you want to gain skills for personal progression, whether it be achieving better qualifications, accessing mainstream education or developing your independent living skills, we have a course for you.

At NSCG our focus is to prepare our students for adulthood and their chosen aspirations beyond our doors.

We aim to provide a broad curriculum that will not only enhance their current skills but provide opportunities to develop new skills that they can apply into their everyday life.

We offer a range of tailored programmes for school leavers and young adults at all levels of ability and also those with SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disability) including Foundation Studies and Life Skills & Employment Training.



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Foundation Studies

Our Entry Level and Level 1 vocational courses will help students develop the skills needed to progress further, gain better English and maths grades and learn about career pathways which best support their future aspirations. Our outstanding team of lecturers and specialist support staff will be there every step of the way to ensure learners who access this provision reach their full potential.

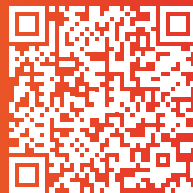
Life Skills and Employment Training

Our Life Skills and Employment Training curriculum provides opportunities for learners who are working at Entry Level 1 to Entry Level 3. Learners who access this provision have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and join the College to develop their life skills and employment prospects. Our goal is to prepare learners for adulthood. Although we cannot guarantee employment, we work extremely hard to ensure learners are in the best possible place to access opportunities for employment, increase independent living skills and community inclusion.

Supported Internships

NSCG offers supported internships to help students aged 16-25 take a step into employment. Supported internships are structured study programmes intended to enable young people with learning difficulties and/or disabilities to achieve sustainable, paid employment by equipping them with the skills they need for work through learning in the workplace.

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Onwards upwards.

Aim high.

Empower yourself, develop professionally and follow your career aspirations through one of our university-level courses.

It's our job to make it happen for you!

Our amazing range of undergraduate options give you a recognised qualification in your chosen field and unlike many degrees, HNCs and HNDs are vocational, so they can lead straight to a career or act as a stepping stone to a higher qualification.



How to study

Higher National Certificate (HNC) (Level 4)

Higher National Diploma (HND) (Level 5)

Foundation Degree (Level 5)

Foundation Diploma Art, Design & Media Practice (Level 3/4)

Other University-Level Courses

Degree-Level Higher Apprenticeships

and



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Top 10 reasons to study a university-level course with us:

- 1.** We're the first further education provider in England to achieve top grades in every area of Ofsted's new Education Inspection Framework (EIF).
- 2.** We're rated outstanding for Adult Learning Programmes.
- 3.** Our positive environment inspires exemplary attitudes to learning.
- 4.** Our specialist lecturers have industry experience to give you a career-focused perspective.
- 5.** You can study full-time or part-time - whatever suits you.
- 6.** Our learning environments are some of the best in the country.
- 7.** Lessons are more personal because you're taught in classrooms, not lecture theatres.
- 8.** We're the highest-performing college in Staffordshire with 100% pass rates on many university courses.
- 9.** 93% of students walk straight into a job or onto a top-up degree.
- 10.** You'll save £3,000 per year compared to a traditional university course. Loans are available, so don't worry about paying upfront - contribute when you earn more than £27,295.

Two campuses one college

By now you know that NSCG stands for Newcastle and Stafford Colleges Group.

Across both of our fantastic sites you can expect a high standard of facilities, dedicated staff and a huge array of study options with some unique to NSCG Stafford College.



Motor Vehicle & Hybrid Technology

Does working with cars get you all revved up? A career in the automotive sector could take you anywhere, from roadside technician to HGV mechanic or body-work expert. Our courses are guaranteed to give you the hands-on skills you'll need to get in the fast lane for a role in the motor industry.

How to study

Level 1, Level 2 & Level 3

Hospitality & Catering

Hungry for a successful career in Hospitality & Catering? Our courses cover all areas of the industry – from patisserie to providing hospitality. Whether you dream of managing a leading hotel, becoming a catering manager, food scientist or head chef, our courses have all the ingredients for success.

How to study

Level 1, Level 2 & Level 3

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Opening 2023, our
brand-new, multi-million
Skills & Innovation Centre.



It's closer than you think

Stafford College is located in the town centre and getting there is easy. It's just down the road from Stafford train station and buses stop directly outside the College.

There are also a number of local car parks, and bike shelters on site if you prefer to cycle.

So, if you're travelling from Stoke-on-Trent, Kidsgrove or Alsager, you could be there in less than 30 minutes.

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Open Events

Save the date.

Sometimes, success is about being in the right place at the right time. But first, it's about attending the right Open Event.

Our College Open Events are a brilliant way to meet Tutors and our Principal, chat with students and take a peek at our outstanding facilities. We also have Taster Sessions throughout the year so you can sample a course or subject that takes your fancy before you apply.

Find out more at nscg.ac.uk/ncevents



To get a taste of what's to come, follow the successes, experiences and achievements of our students on our social channels:



Search for 'NSCG Newcastle'.

Open Events:

Thursday 6 October 2022,

5.30pm - 8pm

Tuesday 8 November 2022,

5.30pm - 8pm

Saturday 21 January 2023,

10am - 12noon

Saturday 6 May 2023,

10am - 12noon

Discover more at:

nscg.ac.uk

How to apply

So, what's

Follow these simple next steps to start you on your journey:

1. Research

Start your journey by researching everything you want to know about NSCG! We're a pretty great place with so much to tell. Once you've checked out our prospectus (what you're reading now), head to our website for loads more info on the courses available: nscg.ac.uk

2. Pay us a visit

We'd love to welcome you to an Open Event so that you really get to see what makes us such a special place to study at, and of course, what makes us an Ofsted Outstanding college. Head to nscg.ac.uk/ncevents for more info.

6. Experience life at NSCG

You'll then be invited to our Experience Event in June, where you'll get the opportunity to visit the College, meet other new students who will be studying the same course, take part in a fun and interactive lesson and grab some free food!

5. We'll keep in touch

Over the summer, we'll be in touch to keep you up-to-date with news from the College, as well as setting you some homework to complete in readiness for when you join us in September. We'll also provide you with regular updates through our #MyNSCG Hub, a dedicated portal for new students.

7. GCSE results day

Good luck! Once you have your results, you'll need to share a copy with us. If all goes to plan, you'll be given a date to come to the College to officially enrol on your course.

8. First day

And just like that, you're officially a student at NSCG! Let the fun begin.

Welcome to
NSCG

's next?

3. Apply now

Once you've done your research and visited us at an Open Event, it's time to get your application in. We're Staffordshire's leading college so places are in high demand, so try and **get your application in before 31 March 2023**. Head to nscg.ac.uk/apply

4. Interview (don't stress)

It's not as scary as it sounds. Essentially, it's just an opportunity for us to get to meet you properly and to make sure that you are suited to the course. Following the interview, we'll more than likely offer you a place.



Still got a question?

Our friendly Schools Liaison Team are here to help and support you with the transition from school to college. Martyn, Nathan and Megan will more than likely be in your school at some point throughout your final year at school. Whether you have a question about a particular course, what support is available, or even what bus to catch, they'll be happy to hear from you.

You can get in touch with them at any time by emailing schools.newcastle@nscg.ac.uk or calling 01782 254347.

It begins at:
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