

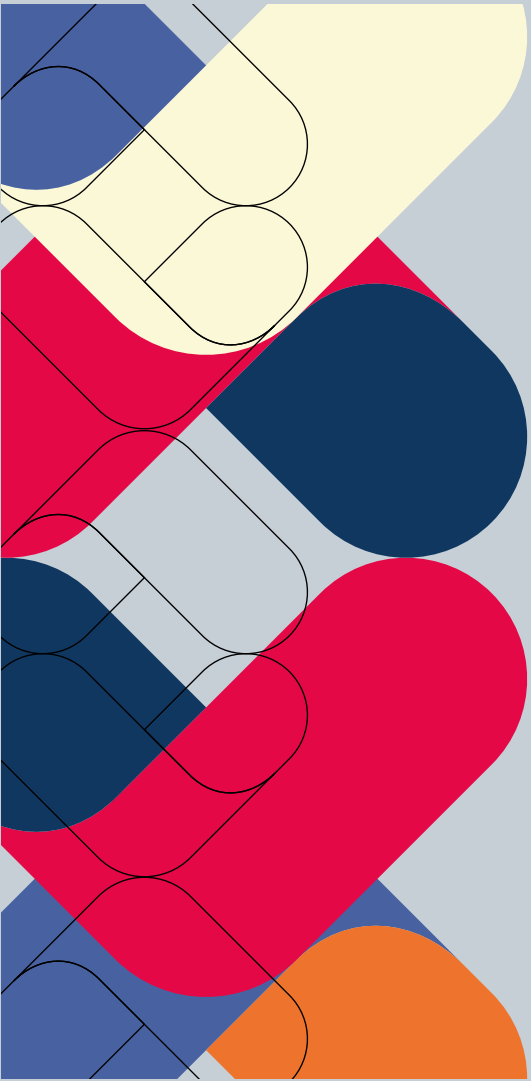


Employer Partnerships



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Welcome



Join our community

At USP College we are on a mission to connect young people to great career pathways by providing exciting work and networking opportunities.

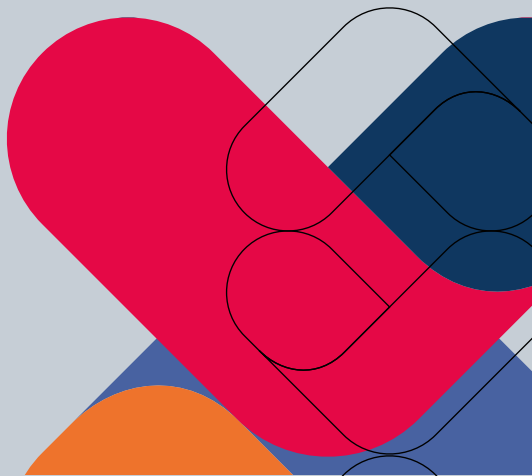
USP College is one of the leading colleges in Essex. The College offers A-Levels, Vocational Courses, T-Levels, Professional Qualifications and Higher Education to school leavers and Adult Learners.

Our immersive career-focused approach equips our students with real-world skills through using the latest technologies that we have across our campuses, and through creating networking and live work opportunities with industry professionals and employers such as yourself.

Employer involvement is a critical part of our strategy and there are a number of ways in which we invite you to be part of our community.

USP College prides itself on its strong links with industry and partnerships with businesses to support students in developing employability skills alongside their subject area of study.

In this document, you'll find some of the ways you can get involved.



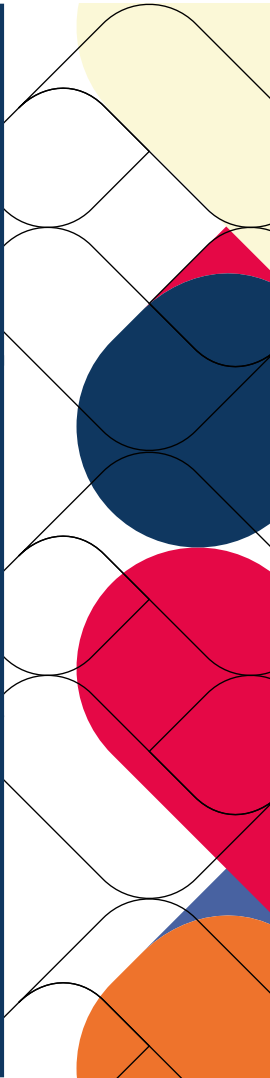


Careers Fairs

We run Careers Fairs across all our campuses with over 50+ employers attending annually. The fairs create invaluable opportunities for our students to engage with potential employers and gain insights into how to enter various career paths.

For you as an employer, it's a chance to engage and interact with thousands of students and support them with their decision making for their next steps. You might even find some future employees!

The Careers Fairs are held at our Seevic and Palmer's campuses. If you would like to take part in the next careers day, please contact careers@uspcollege.ac.uk



CPD Day Guest

Our Student CPD days are run 3 times a year and are a key contribution to our students' personal development. We believe it's critical for our students to develop skills beyond the classroom.

On CPD days, we pause all regular classes and students are invited to attend a variety of sessions ranging from industry trips, to support workshops such as managing personal finance, or attend a specialist talk delivered by an employer, university or apprenticeship provider.

As an employer, could you dedicate time to inspire our students? Whether it's a Q&A session on how you got into your career, a talk on a particular topic within your industry, or delivering a masterclass or workshop to help our students develop transferable skills.

For more information, please contact info@uspcollege.ac.uk

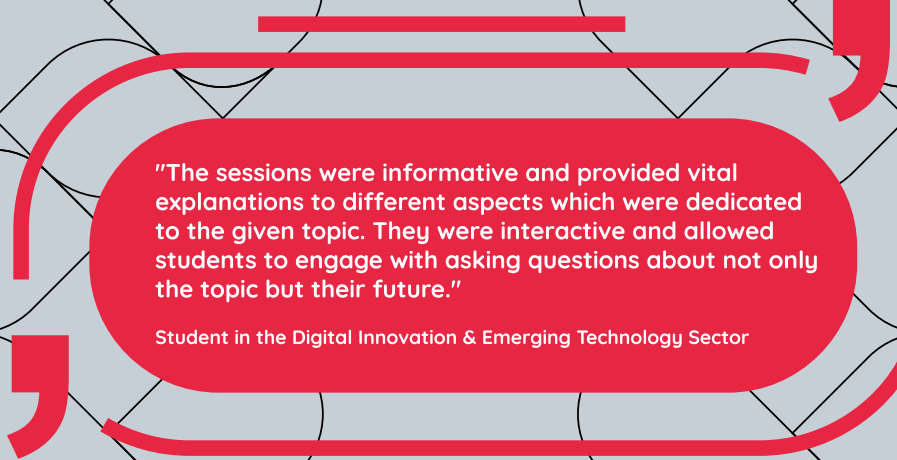


“It was very good, the talks were amazing and super interactive.”

Student in the Financial & Professional Services Sector

“Students were truly engaging, passionate, and excited for the prospect of working with us.”

Ryan Laley Games,
Creative Industries Sector



“The sessions were informative and provided vital explanations to different aspects which were dedicated to the given topic. They were interactive and allowed students to engage with asking questions about not only the topic but their future.”

Student in the Digital Innovation & Emerging Technology Sector




“The day provided the opportunity to easily ask questions and receive clear answers.”

Student in the Medical Technologies & Life Sciences Sector



"Students were excited to get involved, listened and asked questions."

**MD Care Ltd,
Sport & Healthcare Professionals Sector**



"Feedback from the event has been incredibly positive both from the young people and the exhibitors."

**Basildon Council,
Financial & Professional Services Sector**

Work Experience

Could you offer 30 hours of work experience to one or more of our students? Work experience typically takes the form of a one week placement to help students understand the workplace.

For some students this may be the first time they have entered a workplace so this taster is a brilliant foundation to the start of their working life.

We encourage every student to partake in work experience whilst they are at the College. For more information please contact info@uspcollege.ac.uk.



Student Christina Froud landed work experience as an assistant stylist working for film and TV.

I loved the experience, I would do it all over again. I feel very fortunate to have had this experience, acting as an assistant stylist for a week.

The opportunity really showed me what it would be like to be a stylist. Jennifer gave me so many tips throughout the week which will be invaluable in helping me to progress to a career in this industry.

Christina Froud First year,
Level 3 Fashion Business & Retail.

I am extremely proud of Christina for finding herself such an incredible work experience placement. At USP College, we value the benefits of work experience and so all students studying vocational courses will attend.

Christina will have not only received useful tips that she can use as part of her coursework and portfolio creation, but has now got some incredible contacts within her dream industry. Building her network while at college will set her up for a successful future within the fashion and styling industry.

Debbie Baker, Curriculum Director
Financial & Professional Services
Sector

What some of our current employers say...

I have 5 students from USP college doing a placement in our day centre for adults with disabilities this year. Two have returned for a second year! They add such value and diversity to my existing workforce and gives many of our clients that little bit extra care and support. Several of the students do paid work for me in college holidays and one student will be coming to work for me full time when her course ends this year. The relationship between us and USP is invaluable and mutually beneficial.

Sarah Fogarty
Day Opps Manager - Carers Choices

We have had several students from USP that really have stood out to us and I wouldn't hesitate to employ them in the future. They have demonstrated a committed and determined attitude to the role and this will stand them in good stead for any future employment. Working specifically with the work experience team has always been a very straightforward process and they have always been there to deal with any queries in a friendly and approachable manner. It has been a very positive experience.

Natalie Catino
Managing Director - Queen Bee's Day Nursery

Live Project Briefs

Have a problem in your business that our students can help with?

Live project briefs allow our students to work to real deadlines and provide potentially helpful solutions to real work problems.

As an employer, you benefit from a cost effective business solution whilst helping to nurture our students' growth.



We believe opportunities to work on live project briefs allows our students to leave college with a portfolio of work and knowledge to give them the edge.

More information can be found at uspcollege.ac.uk/employers/college-companies



Industry Placement for T-Levels

Be a part of shaping the future through offering a T-Level placement. Industry Placements last approximately 45 days over one or two years and are designed specifically to support students develop new workplace skills.

Our T-Level students might even inject fresh perspectives into your business.

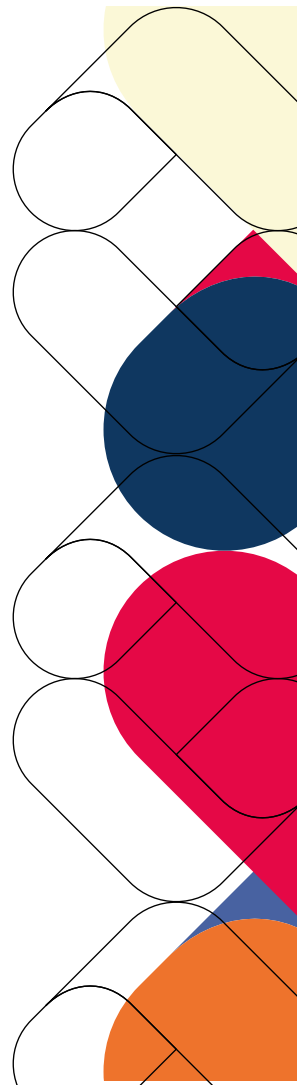
T-Levels are new 2-year courses which are taken after GCSEs and are broadly equivalent to 3 A Levels. Launched in September 2020, these courses have been developed in collaboration with employers and education providers so that the course content meets the needs of industry and prepares students for entry into skilled employment, an apprenticeship or related technical study through further or higher education.

The success of T-levels relies on the collaboration of employers. We are seeking industry placements for each of our T-level subjects:

- Accounting
- Digital Production, Design and Development
- Education & Childcare
- Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing & Control
- Health
- Legal Services
- Science

We have started to run a series of Employer Connect breakfast events so you can hear more about how to take part.

For more information, please contact marketing@uspcollege.ac.uk



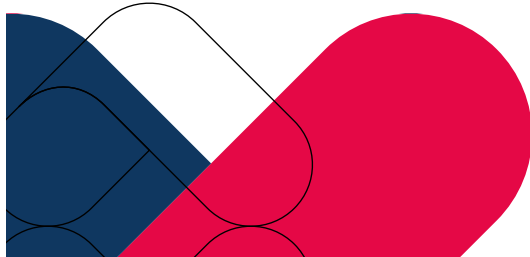
Sector Board Member

Could you help shape our curriculum?
Our sector board members meet regularly to discuss trends and identify skills gaps within industry in order to help us better structure our curriculum design and delivery.

Our sector board currently covers the following sectors:

- Creative Industries
- Digital Innovation & Emerging Technologies
- Financial & Professional Services
- Medical & Life Sciences
- Sport & Healthcare Professionals

If you're interested in becoming a Sector Board Member, please contact:
info@uspcollege.ac.uk

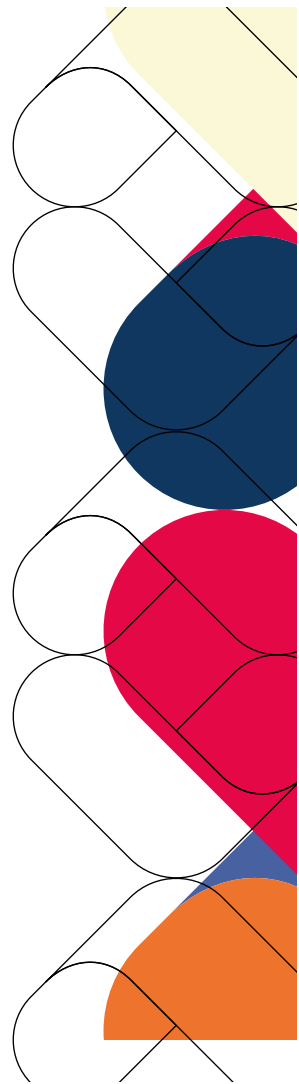


Staff Industry Day

Our annual staff industry day is a new concept that we've introduced as we believe it is equally important to invest in our staff.

We value the importance of our staff understanding the skills and knowledge our young people need. To support this once a year we encourage our staff to visit a place of work.

Could you host one of our staff members?
Please contact:
CPDtraining@uspcollege.ac.uk



Did you know that USP also offers courses to those that are 18+?

Whether you are looking to develop your own skills, provide CPD for your staff or return to education to learn something new, USP College have a variety of options.

We believe that education should be accessible to all which is why we offer full-time, part-time, face-to-face and distance learning options.

The online courses currently available at the College include:

- Access to HE
- Professional Qualifications

The face-to-face courses currently available at the College include:

- Access to HE
- Foundation Degrees
- Undergraduate Degrees
- HTQs
- HNCs/HNDs

It's never too late to keep learning and grow your skills.

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