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Where can you study?

6th form Colleges

- Specialist colleges for 16-18 year olds.
- Mainly offer academic courses with a smaller number of vocational options.
- Offer a wide range of subjects.

Examples of 6th Form

Colleges are:

Greenhead College
Huddersfield New College

School 6th forms

- Attached to a Secondary School.
- Can vary in size so the courses and subjects you can study will vary.
- Usually offer a smaller learning environment and have smaller class sizes.

Examples of 6th Forms:

Creative and Media Studio
School
Mirfield College
Shelley College

FE Colleges

- Usually offer a wider range of both vocational and academic courses.
- Offer courses for all ages and ability levels.
- Offer both full time and part time courses.

Examples of FE

Colleges are:

Kirklees College
Calderdale College
Leeds City College

Apprenticeships

- An apprenticeship is paid employment.
- Includes nationally recognised training.
- 80% work 20% study.
- Include: Catering, Childcare, Construction, Engineering, Finance, Hairdressing, Motor Vehicle, office work, etc.
- GCSEs at Grade 4 and above especially in English and Maths.

What can you study?

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| Level 3 | A levels T levels L3 Btec Advanced Apprenticeships | 5 GCSEs at 9-4 minimum |
| Level 2 | L2 Btec Intermediate Apprenticeships GCSEs | Mostly grade 3 GCSE |
| Level 1 | L1 Btec | Mostly grade 2 GCSE |
| Entry level | Entry level certificates Pre foundation courses | Mostly below 2 GCSE |

What can you study?

| A levels | T levels | Btecs | NVQs |
|---------------------------------|--|---|---|
| Academic subjects | Equivalent to 3 A levels | Specific vocational areas | Apprenticeship Qualification |
| Traditional route to university | Mixture of classroom and minimum of 45 days work experience | Can be studied alone or combined with other subjects and qualifications | Relate to specific job role |
| Minimum 9-4 at GCSE | Digital, Education & Children, Construction, Health & Science, Business & Admin, and Engineering & Manufacturing | Levels 1, 2 + 3 dependent on GCSEs, with ability to progress | Practical and evidence-based assessment |
| Results based mainly on exams | Exams, coursework and project work | Alternative route to university | |
| | | More coursework Based | |

Application timeline

October, November & December

Researching courses and colleges
Working on Personal statements to support applications
1 to 1 career guidance sessions
College Open Days

January

Finish college applications and submit

February

Start of College interviews in school

March, April

College offers made and need to be accepted
Apprenticeship searching

August

GCSE results day
College enrolment

How can parents help

Parents have a significant influence on the career choice of their children

- **Encourage** to talk through their ideas
- **Explore** different options
- **Check** dates of open evenings and if possible attend
- **Support** to achieve targets and ensure their attendance/punctuality is good
- **Seek help** from Careers Adviser

Find out more

- www.get-into.co.uk – search for and apply to courses in Kirklees and surrounding area
- www.apprenticeships.org.uk - More information on apprenticeships
- ck.mydirections.co.uk – More information about careers in general including post 16 options.
- [Prospectuses/websites/open events](#)

College Open Events

Creative & Media Studio School

Thursday 24th November 2022 (4.30pm – 7.30pm)

Saturday 14th January 2023 (10am - 12.30pm)

Greenhead College

Thursday 10th November 2022 (5.30pm - 8.30pm)

Huddersfield New College

Saturday 12th November 2022 (10am - 1pm)

Thursday 1st December 2022 (5.30 - 8.30pm)

Kirklees College (Huddersfield sites)

Saturday 19th November 2022 (10.30am – 1pm)

Saturday 21st January 2023 (10.30am – 1pm)

Saturday 18th March 2023 (10.30am – 1pm)

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