

# WELCOME to the # career college

**SCHOOL LEAVERS  
CAREERS & COURSES  
GUIDE 2024**

THE CORNWALL COLLEGE GROUP

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Marine  
Engineering

Marine & Natural  
Environment

Watersports

Important  
information

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# WELCOME

**Welcome to The Cornwall College Group (TCCG), a place of exceptional education and training for communities across the South West.**

Within these pages, you'll discover an inspiring range of pathways designed to help you succeed in your chosen career. We pride ourselves on being #TheCareerCollege, and we're passionate about providing our students with the skills, knowledge and experience they need to achieve their ambitions.



Not only are we the highest achieving college in the South West for apprenticeships, we are also proud to be the top ranked further education college for achievement in Cornwall.

We offer a range of opportunities to meet your needs whatever goal you're aiming for. With our strong links to employers across the region, our curriculum is designed to meet the needs of industry and equip you with the skills that employers are looking for.

Our full-time study programmes and apprenticeships provide a platform from which you can explore your passions, discover your talents and fulfil your career ambitions.

Every step of the way, our dedicated, industry-experienced staff will support you to achieve your full potential. There are also a range of support services available, from academic support to personal guidance, to ensure that you have the best possible experience while studying with us.

I am delighted that you are considering TCCG as the place to start your career journey. I invite you to explore our prospectus and discover the exciting range of opportunities that we have to offer.

I look forward to welcoming you on one of our campuses soon.

**John Evans**  
**Principal and Chief Executive**  
**The Cornwall College Group**



**TOP ACHIEVING  
FURTHER  
EDUCATION  
COLLEGE IN  
CORNWALL**

**INDUSTRY-LEADING  
PARTNERS  
ENSURING  
UP-TO-DATE  
COURSES**

**#1 FOR  
APPRENTICESHIPS  
IN THE SOUTH  
WEST**

**AWARD-WINNING  
STUDENTS AND  
STAFF**

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career  
college

**...where education meets opportunity  
and your future comes alive!**

We're not your average college - we're here to empower you with real-world skills and the confidence to land your dream job.

What sets us apart? Our industry-relevant curriculum is tailored to meet the demands of employers, giving our students the employability skills to stand out in a competitive job market.

We're proud of our strong partnerships with leading employers, which you can use to gain invaluable hands-on experience and make connections that can kickstart your career.

So, join us for an exciting journey towards success. Be part of a community that celebrates your passion, supports your growth, and transforms dreams into reality.

**Welcome to #TheCareerCollege, where your future awaits!**



# DID YOU KNOW...

The Cornwall College Group

We have over  
**13,000**  
learners each year

In the last five years,  
we've had over

**5,400**  
people start their  
apprenticeship  
with us

## TOP PERFORMER\*

The top performing further education college in Cornwall based on all qualifications for all ages

## #1 FOR

### APPRENTICESHIPS\*

The South West's top performing college for apprenticeship achievement rate

We are rated



In the last five years, we've worked with over

# 2,700

apprenticeship employers

**FREE**  
**Wi Fi**  
**ON CAMPUS**

We are the **LARGEST** further education and training provider in the region



**RELAX  
AND UNWIND**

in our new student spaces

We have **10**  
**CAMPUSES**

across Cornwall & Devon

We also offer **DEGREE** courses through our university centres across the Group

\*gov.uk educational statistics 2023

# FALMOUTH MARINE SCHOOL

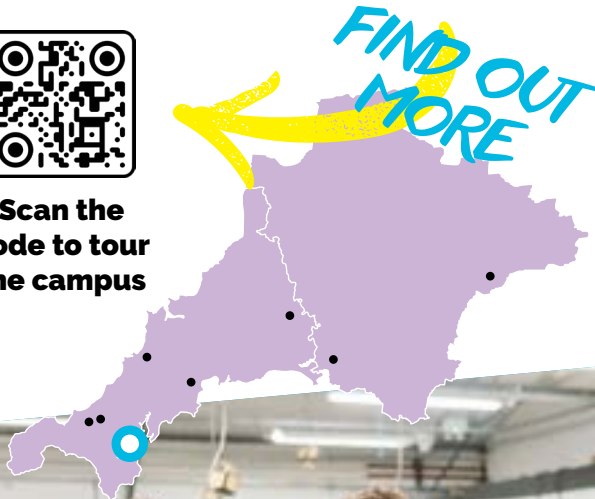


With marine life at its heart, Falmouth holds a wealth of opportunities for you to get the skills needed for a rewarding career – you will love your time here. Whether you want to be a traditional boatbuilder, marine engineer or scientist, or become a pioneer in sustainable practices, this is the place for you.



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## HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

**Major investment in virtual and sustainable equipment and facilities**

**Campus located in heart of Falmouth**

**Marine science laboratories**

**Marine engineering workshops**

**Watersports delivered by leading provider South West Lakes**

**Ponsharden workshop on the waterfront**

**Famous industry day with many employment opportunities**

**Close relationship with National Maritime Museum Cornwall**

**Sails café**

**Common room**

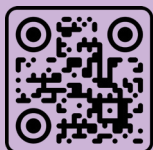
**Dedicated student support services**

**Designated bike shelters**



# DEVELOPMENTS

**EXPLORE THE  
RAPIDLY-EVOLVING  
MARINE SECTOR  
USING THE LATEST  
TECHNOLOGY IN  
OUR VR MARINE  
INNOVATION ZONE**



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# TOP 10 CAREERS

## IN CORNWALL & DEVON NOW!

Cornwall and Devon are two of the most beautiful counties in the United Kingdom. But alongside the stunning coastline, rolling countryside, and picturesque towns and villages, there's also a thriving economy with a diverse range of career opportunities available.

Whether you're a foodie, a nature lover or a creative soul, these counties have something for you. Let's check out 10 careers in Cornwall and Devon that will allow you to pursue your passions while enjoying the relaxed and friendly lifestyle of the region.



**TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY:**

With millions of visitors flocking to Cornwall and Devon every year, the tourism and hospitality industry is a major employer in the region. From hotels and restaurants to adventure sports and heritage sites, there are plenty of opportunities for those looking for a career in this field.

**HEALTHCARE:**

The healthcare sector is growing rapidly in Cornwall and Devon, with a range of job opportunities available, including posts for doctors, nurses, healthcare assistants and administrative staff.

**EDUCATION:**

The education sector in Cornwall and Devon is also expanding, with a variety of teaching and support roles available in primary, secondary and further education.

**AGRICULTURE:** Both counties have a strong agricultural heritage, and the industry remains an important employer in the region. Jobs in agriculture include farmer, farm worker, and agricultural engineer.

**MARINE AND FISHERIES:** With miles of coastline and a rich maritime history, Cornwall and Devon are home to a thriving marine and fisheries industry, which provide jobs in fishing, marine engineering and marine biology.

**CREATIVE INDUSTRIES:** The creative industries are growing in both Cornwall and Devon, providing opportunities in film, television, advertising and the arts.



**RENEWABLE ENERGY:** With a focus on sustainability and reducing carbon emissions, the renewable energy sector is growing rapidly in the region, with job opportunities in wind, solar and wave power.

**CONSTRUCTION:** The construction industry is booming in Cornwall and Devon, with a range of roles available in building, engineering and architecture.

**IT AND DIGITAL:** The IT and digital sector is growing in the region, with jobs in software development, digital marketing and IT support.

**RETAIL:** The retail sector remains an important employer in Cornwall and Devon, with jobs in both high street and online retail.

# PICK YOUR PATHWAY

**There are lots of different courses to choose from at TCCG - but how do you know which is the right one for you?**

Don't worry, we can help you narrow down the option that is best suited to you. Here's a quick rundown of the different pathways on offer.



## 1. FULL-TIME STUDY PROGRAMMES

### WHAT ARE THEY?

- They typically last between one and three years and lead to qualifications such as vocational certificates, diplomas or extended diplomas
- They focus on gaining practical skills and knowledge linked to a range of subjects, such as art and design, business, health and social care, engineering and many others
- They are offered at different levels depending on your experience
- You'll be assessed through coursework and practical observations

- After completion, you can either progress to a higher level study programme, enter the world of work or move on to study at university level

### CHOOSE THIS IF...

- You're looking for work skills to enter a particular industry - like healthcare or construction
- You learn best by getting hands-on
- You want to progress to the workplace or further study



## 2. T-LEVELS

### WHAT ARE THEY?

- T-Levels last two years and are focused on one subject
- They are aimed at gaining vocational skills linked to the specific career path you've chosen
- One T-Level is the equivalent to three A-levels and has UCAS points which support applications to higher education
- It's a mix of studying at college and a three-month industry placement with a real employer

### CHOOSE THIS IF...

- You already know what job you want to do
- You want to get practical, knowledge-based learning and on-the-job experience
- You want to progress to the workplace or further study

## T-LEVELS

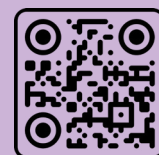
## 3. APPRENTICESHIPS

### WHAT ARE THEY?

- An apprenticeship lets you gain work-based skills while earning a real salary
- You only spend one day a week at college, so the majority of your time will be spent learning on-the-job with an employer
- You'll be assessed at both college and in your workplace

### CHOOSE THIS IF...

- You already know what job you want to do
- You prefer to learn in the workplace rather than the classroom
- You want a professional qualification to support your work experience
- You want to earn while you learn



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# COURSE LEVELS AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

It is important to choose the correct level of course after your GCSEs. Making the right choice will depend on meeting the entry requirements, how you like to study and what you would like to do after your time with us.

Please use the table opposite as a general guide to our entry requirements. Some courses may require further specific qualification grades due to the nature of their content. Acceptance on a course will also depend on a successful interview.



Please note

- If you are considering undertaking an apprenticeship, you will need an employer willing to take you on as an apprentice, which is a process that we can support you in. With regards to entry requirements, please note that prior to starting an apprenticeship you will need to complete an initial assessment in English and maths, so that we can establish the level you are currently working at. We will then run through a Skills Scan with you in order to determine your current level of knowledge and skills in your chosen area of study. Both of these elements will then be used to determine the level of apprenticeship which is most suitable for you to start at, irrespective of grades awarded in previous qualifications.
- Some specialist courses may have extra entry requirements; please see website for details.
- If you do not achieve your expected grades please do not panic. Contact us and we will help you find an alternative course, normally in the same subject area of interest.

## ENTRY LEVEL

**Study Options:** Entry Level qualifications.

**Typical Entry Requirements:** No formal qualifications are required.

**Progression:** Next Entry Level or Level 1 course.

## LEVEL 1

**Study Options:** Level 1 qualifications, including Certificates and Diplomas.

**Typical Entry Requirements:** Two or more GCSEs at grade 2 or above, or successful completion of Entry Level qualification.

**Progression:** Level 2 course, an Apprenticeship or employment.

## LEVEL 2

**Study Options:** Level 2 qualifications, including Diplomas and Apprenticeships.

**Typical Entry Requirements:** Three or more GCSEs at grade 3 or above, or successful completion of a relevant Level 1 qualification. \*see note opposite reference apprenticeships.

**Progression:** Level 3 course, an Apprenticeship or employment.

## LEVEL 3

**Study Options:** Level 3 qualifications, including Diplomas, Apprenticeships and T levels. Note: Our programmes are delivered as two one year courses: Year 1 - Diploma, and Year 2 - Extended Diploma.

**Typical Entry Requirements:** Four or more GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and/or maths, or successful completion of a relevant Level 2 qualification.

**Progression:** University study, an Apprenticeship or employment.

# LOOKING TO GO FURTHER?

Find out more about progressing to higher education on page 34.



# ENGLISH AND MATHS: *KEYS TO SUCCESS*

**English and maths are vital subjects, playing a crucial role in your academic and professional journeys.**

A good standard of English and maths enhances employability, fosters effective communication, promotes critical thinking and contributes to entry requirements for higher education and professional qualifications.

If you did not reach Level 2 (GCSE grade 4 or above) in either English or maths while you were at school, you will be expected to do one or both alongside the college course you are studying until you have reached the required level.



# WHY ARE ENGLISH AND MATHS SO IMPORTANT?



## ENHANCING EMPLOYABILITY

Highly valued by employers, these skills will give you a competitive edge in the job market.



## ESSENTIAL FOR COMMUNICATION

We focus on developing strong language skills, enabling students to articulate their thoughts clearly and engage in critical thinking.



## ENABLING DIGITAL LITERACY

English is integrated with digital literacy skills, equipping students to navigate the digital landscape confidently.



## ANALYTICAL THINKING

Maths develops analytical and problem-solving skills, crucial for various disciplines and real-world applications.



## MEETING ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

If you're thinking of going to university, you'll need your English and maths to progress.

## *I WANT TO...* **SAVE OUR OCEANS**

Try a progressive, environmentally focused option to study...

- I want to be a **MARINE BIOLOGIST** p22
- I want to be an **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT** p22



## *I WANT TO BE A...* **MARINE INNOVATOR**

Make your mark in the marine sector...

- I want to be a **RESEARCH TECHNICIAN** p18
- I want to be a **MARINE SURVEYOR** p22





## *I WANT TO...* **WORK WITH BOATS**

Good with your hands? Let's put your practical skills to good use...

- I want to be an **BOATBUILDER**
- I want to be a **MARINE ENGINEER**

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## *I WANT AN...* **OUTDOOR LIFE**

If you enjoy being out in the natural environment, we have got you covered...

- I want to be a **MARINE TECHNICIAN**
- I want to be a **WATERSPORTS INSTRUCTOR**

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## I WANT TO BE A... **BOATBUILDER**

Start your boatbuilding career with us and gain a solid foundation in the marine industry.

Our courses provide hands-on training in traditional and modern boatbuilding techniques, equipping you with the skills to construct and repair vessels. And with the marine industry contributing £17.4 billion to the UK economy annually (source: British Marine), boatbuilders are in high demand.

From our expert lecturers you'll learn about boat design, materials, components and terminology in our workshop equipped with industry-standard equipment.

Our strong connections with local boatbuilding companies will help you get a footing in Cornwall's thriving marine sector, as you embark on a hands-on journey to craft something extraordinary.

### **COURSES WE OFFER**

#### **FULL-TIME STUDY**

City and Guilds Boatbuilding Diploma (Advanced) Level 3  
Boatbuilding, Restoration and Repair Diploma  
incorporating City and Guilds Boatbuilding Diploma  
(Advanced) Level 3 (age 19+ only)



## DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS

- Traditional and modern boat construction methods
- Components and fittings
- Systems integration including electrical, plumbing and mechanical systems
- Marine industry terminology
- Woodworking skills
- Composite construction techniques including fiberglass, resins and moulds
- Workshop skills including the safe and effective use of industry-standard equipment and tools
- Attention-to-detail and artisanship
- Industry connections and employability

## PROGRESSION

### Thinking about next steps?

You can progress to a higher level apprenticeship or straight into employment.

## JACK WELLINGS

Boatbuilding Diploma (Advanced) Level 3

"The course has enabled me to achieve my dream of becoming a boatbuilder gaining a job here in Falmouth."

## OUR INDUSTRY PARTNERS AND CONNECTIONS

Pendennis Shipyard	Cockwells Boats	UKSA
Mylor Yacht Harbour	Fugro	Rustler Yachts
A&P	Falmouth Harbour Commissioners	

## CAREERS IN THIS INDUSTRY

Boatbuilder

Marine Technician

Yacht Rigger

Boatyard Manager

Marine Surveyor

## WHAT LEVEL IS RIGHT FOR ME?

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*I WANT TO WORK IN...*

# MARINE ENGINEERING

Falmouth Marine School has been delivering training to the boatbuilding, ship repair and shipbuilding industry since 1920 - you'll be in the very best hands.

Brand new in 2023, are our industry-leading virtual reality suites which will help you gain the most relevant skills for employment.

A career in marine engineering or boatbuilding will open a world of opportunity for you, and our alumni boast careers across the world, working on superyachts, in dockyards and serving in the merchant navy.



## COURSES WE OFFER

### FULL-TIME STUDY

- Performing Engineering Operations Level 2
- Marine Engineering Diploma Level 2
- Marine Engineering Diploma Level 3
- Engineering Technologies Diploma Level 3

### APPRENTICESHIPS

- Lean Manufacturing Operative Apprenticeship Level 2
- Marine Engineering Apprenticeship Level 3
- Marine Electrical Apprenticeship Level 3

## DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS

- Engineering principles - mechanical/electrical
- Using hand tools, power tools and machinery
- Machining of materials
- Component assembly
- Fault-finding and diagnostics
- Properties and use of materials
- Digital skills, including CAD and hydraulic simulation software
- Traditional/modern boat construction methods
- Lean manufacturing

## CAREERS IN THIS INDUSTRY

Plant Engineer

Fabricator Welder

Engineering Consultant

Engineering Technician

## PROGRESSION

### Thinking about next steps?

On successful completion of your course, you can move on to a higher level, apprenticeship, higher education or employment.

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Pendennis Shipyard

Cockwells Boats

Mylor Yacht Harbour

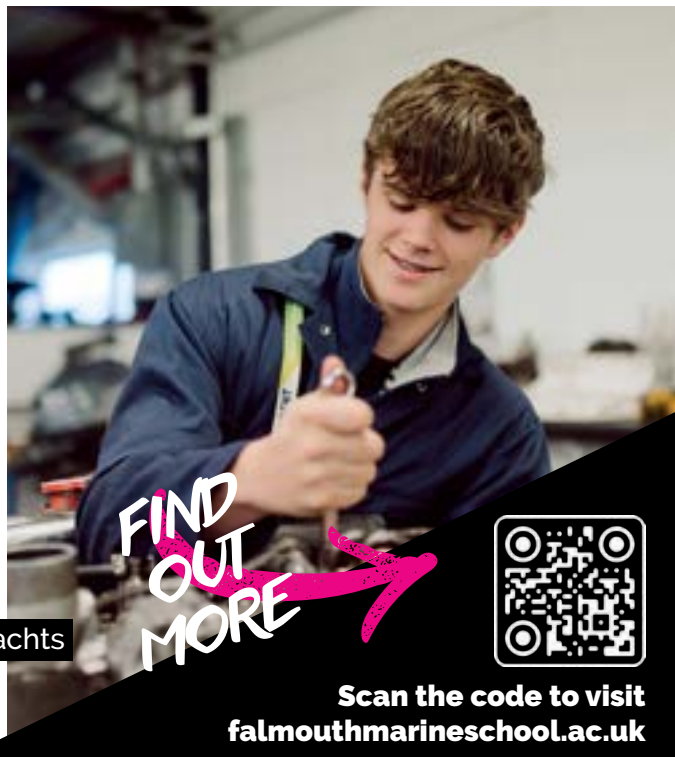
UKSA

Fugro

Rustler Yachts

A&P

Falmouth Harbour Commissioners





*I WANT TO BE A...*

# MARINE BIOLOGIST

Dive into the fascinating world of marine biology and explore the secrets of the ocean.

Our courses offer in-depth knowledge and practical experience in the study of marine life, ecosystems and conservation. With a projected growth rate of 5% for marine biology jobs by 2029 (source: National Careers Service), this field offers rewarding opportunities.

Join our graduates who have contributed to research projects, conservation efforts and marine exploration. Embrace a profession where you'll unravel the mysteries of the sea and contribute to the preservation of our aquatic environment.



## COURSES WE OFFER

### FULL-TIME STUDY

Applied Science Level 2

Marine Conservation Level 3

Marine Biology & Ecology Level 3

## DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS

- Identification skills
- Scientific and research skills
- Ecological survey techniques
- Data analysis
- Scientific communication
- Fish husbandry
- Microscopy
- Academic writing

## CAREERS IN THIS INDUSTRY

Lab Technician

Research Technician

Teacher/Lecturer

Environmental Consultant

Biologist

Marine Biologist

Environmental Planner

National Resource Technician

## PROGRESSION

### Thinking about next steps?

You can move directly into employment, to further study or progress onto university.

## WHAT LEVEL IS RIGHT FOR ME?

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## STEPHANIE BARNICOAT

Marine Mammal Consultant, specialising in offshore renewables with Royal Haskoning DHV.

"My time at Falmouth Marine School was the best learning experience. It was a great environment and I loved every minute of it."



## OUR INDUSTRY PARTNERS AND CONNECTIONS

Blue Reef Aquarium

Hydromotion Media

Cornwall Wildlife Trust

Kernow Conservation

Dive In

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*I WANT TO BE A...*

# WATERSPORTS INSTRUCTOR

With the picturesque Stithians Lake as your classroom, dive into an exciting career as a watersports instructor.

Our close partnership with South West Lakes, one of Cornwall's leading outdoor providers, enables us to develop an industry-informed curriculum that will leave you with a set of relevant skills and additional NGB qualifications that employers are looking for. You will learn from experienced instructors who will help you develop your personal and instructing skills in a range of watersports.

Join us and make a splash in a unique career that combines a passion for teaching with a love for the natural environment.

## COURSES WE OFFER

### FULL-TIME STUDY

Watersports Instructor Diploma Level 2

Watersports Instructor Diploma Level 3



## DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS

- Practical experience in windsurfing, paddlesports and more
- Develop your personal and leadership skills
- Sports development and coaching
- Gain additional instructor qualifications
- Gain personal and instructor qualifications in dinghy sailing

## CAREERS IN THIS INDUSTRY

Instructor

Senior Instructor

Centre Manager

## PROGRESSION

### Thinking about next steps?

You can move on to further study, apprenticeships or employment - locally, nationally and internationally.

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## LARK BRIDGES

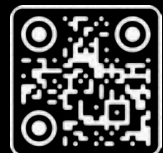
Chief Instructor, South West Lakes

"My course encouraged me to enjoy being outside, being in the sunshine, being active, being hands-on and working with lots of people from different backgrounds."

## OUR INDUSTRY PARTNERS AND CONNECTIONS

South West Lakes Trust UKSA Trek Adventures

Neilson Active Holidays Mark Warner Holidays



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# LEVEL UP

## WITH WORK EXPERIENCE

Whatever you choose to study, you'll be combining your time learning in college with gaining practical experience in real-life industry environments. Work experience gives you a vital opportunity to not only gain valuable skills and knowledge, but also to build your network and prepare yourself for a promising future.



### WHY DO WORK EXPERIENCE?



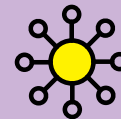
#### LEARN BY DOING:

Apply what you've learned in real life!



#### BOOST YOUR JOB CHANCES:

Gain skills employers want.



#### MAKE VALUABLE CONNECTIONS:

Meet people who can help your career.



#### GAIN CONFIDENCE:

Get hands-on experience and feel capable.



#### GET READY FOR WORK:

Connect what you learn with real jobs.



#### DISCOVER WORK LIFE:

Learn what it's really like in different industries.





## HOW MUCH WORK EXPERIENCE WILL I DO?

### FULL-TIME STUDY PROGRAMME:

All of our courses have a work experience element, providing work competencies and specialist knowledge to help you gain insight into possible future careers. Some programmes also offer 350 hours of industry placement.

### APPRENTICESHIP:

You'll spend 80% of your time working in a real job with a real salary. The remaining 20% of your time will be spent in college, learning skills and knowledge related to your work.

### T-LEVEL:

You'll spend 80% of your time at college in the classroom, with the remaining 20% working in a valuable industry placement.

## GET CAREER READY WITH #THECAREERCOLLEGE

Combining work experience with your qualification can take you further!

Getting first-hand exposure to real-world workplace challenges, dynamics and expectations, you'll develop a practical and professional attitude that cannot be fully replicated in a classroom setting.

### SKILLED

You'll gain all the relevant industry skills and knowledge to hit the ground running in your chosen career.

### PROFESSIONAL

You'll be career ready, with all the additional soft skills you'll need to be a valuable member of any team in the workplace.

### CONNECTED

You'll establish meaningful relationships that may prove beneficial in your future career.



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# THE BENEFITS OF COLLEGE FOR YOUR CHILD

College opens up a world of opportunities, providing students with valuable experiences that help to shape their lives and careers. Here's what your child can get by studying with us:

## UNIVERSITY PROGRESSION

A-levels are not the only route to degree-level study; here are some alternatives to consider.

Many of our diplomas have UCAS points connected to them, which can be used to secure your child's place in higher education. If your child would rather stay close to home, the degrees offered through our own university centres in Cornwall are an affordable and refreshingly different university experience.

We also offer a range of higher apprenticeships, to take vocational learning in your chosen career to a new level.

## A ROUTE INTO THE WORLD OF WORK

As #TheCareerCollege, we're attuned to the needs of the job market and strive to equip our students with practical skills and industry knowledge. Your child can benefit from our career-oriented courses, unrivalled access to a huge range of industry partners and work placements that provide valuable hands-on experience. Employers highly value college



graduates due to their specialised training and adaptability, offering them a distinct advantage when entering the workforce.

## ENGLISH AND MATHS

Strong English and maths skills are vital in today's competitive and technology-driven world. All 16-18-year-old students will refine their abilities in these core subjects alongside their course. By mastering these foundational skills, your child will enhance their communication, problem-solving and critical thinking abilities, which are invaluable assets in any field.

# YOUR ROLE

Parents and guardians play a crucial role in their child's college experience and the support you offer can make a huge difference. Here are some of the ways you can help:

## STUDENT ENRICHMENT

College life extends far beyond the classroom. Our campuses offer a vibrant and diverse community that fosters personal growth and lifelong friendships. Students can participate in extracurricular activities, clubs and societies according to their interests, which broadens their horizons and builds their confidence.

## ONGOING SUPPORT

Whatever type of issue your child might be experiencing, whether it's in their academic or personal life, our dedicated support team is here to help. Through our academic support services, and career advice and guidance, as well as our counselling service, we'll be constantly looking out for both your child's success and their well-being.

## A SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Ensuring a safe and secure place for your child to study is a top priority. We place huge importance on the safety of our students and maintain campus security measures to provide peace of mind for your child both in and outside the classroom.

## PROVIDE GUIDANCE

Help shape your child's academic journey, personal growth and preparation for the future with words of encouragement and advice. A strong foundation of support from you can empower them to thrive during their college years.

## HELP MAINTAIN ATTENDANCE

Not attending or missing deadlines for work can greatly affect your child's level of achievement at college. Help keep their enthusiasm up and make sure to call in if they are feeling unwell.

## PROMOTE A HEALTHY WORK-LIFE BALANCE

Encouraging self-care, time management and extracurricular involvement can help your child develop a holistic approach to their education.

## KEEP IN TOUCH

Working with us at the college is pivotal to getting the best for your child, so let's keep the conversation between us open.



# SUPPORTING YOU AT COLLEGE

## **SUPPORTIVE STAFF**

We pride ourselves on how we support our students and we are known for going above and beyond when it comes to helping you achieve. Engagement and Progression Officers (EPOs) are available to support you with any concerns that you have or if you need any support. They:

- offer advice and guidance and help to find solutions to overcome any barriers.
- help you to progress with your studies and achieve your learning and career goals.
- are available in the social space for you to talk to.
- arrange activities for students to take part in.

## **PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT**

College is not just about your core course skills. We boast a wide range of activities that will help you develop personal skills and enhance your employability. They will help you to become a successful student, prepare for your future life and be an active part of society. There will also be lots of enrichment opportunities that you can take part in, from trips and visits to guest speakers. You can have your say on the activities we offer as well.

## **HEALTH AND WELLBEING**

Health and wellbeing is an essential part of your study programme. The activities you undertake will depend on which campus you are studying at, but there are plenty of opportunities to work on your health and mental wellbeing.

## **LEARNING CENTRES AND STUDY SUPPORT**

Our learning centres have a range of staff to support you when using the resources, computers and software. You can also access workshops and request support sessions to develop your study and academic skills whether you are on an introductory course or studying for a higher level qualification.

## **CAREERS**

We are known as #TheCareerCollege and you will quickly understand why. Alongside our EPOs, our team of Careers Officers are available all year round to provide impartial support and advice when help is needed with career choices, progression to university and other training, education or employment opportunities.

## **COMPUTER ACCESS AND ONLINE CLASSROOMS**

When you enrol with us you will be issued with a computer account and email address. These will give you access to a range of software and resources which includes:

- the College's Wi-Fi.
- your course details and progress information.
- software and resources to support your study.
- online classrooms with Moodle and Teams.
- online study resources and eBooks.

## **SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND DISABILITY (SEND) PROVISION**

Our vision is to develop independent, confident and resilient learners who are well-prepared to engage with the wider community. Please see our website for our SEND Provision Statement which includes further information and details should you wish to talk to someone in person: [cornwall.ac.uk/supporting-your-learning/#send-provision](http://cornwall.ac.uk/supporting-your-learning/#send-provision)

## **SAFEGUARDING**

We provide a safe and supportive learning and working environment for all our students, staff and visitors. The Cornwall College Group has a duty to safeguard all learners, staff and visitors. We also have a duty to prevent extremism and radicalisation.

## **EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

We are committed to equal opportunities for all and recognise that valuing and embracing diversity is key to providing high-quality teaching and learning. We take pride in serving

our local communities in Cornwall and Devon and are fully committed to promoting equality of opportunity, access, dignity and fairness.

## **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Financial support is available via a college bursary to help you access your college education. This is means-tested and primarily focused on supporting you with the costs of a bus pass, childcare and meals while at college. To find out the most up-to-date information, please visit [cornwall.ac.uk/financial-support](http://cornwall.ac.uk/financial-support) or email [studentfinance@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:studentfinance@cornwall.ac.uk)

## **ACCOMMODATION**

If you do not live within reasonable travelling distance of the College you may wish to consider seeking accommodation nearby. For students at Bicton College and Duchy College Stoke Climsland there are full-board residential places available. Residential bursaries are available for eligible students. Please do not hesitate to get in contact to find out more.

## **STUDENTS' UNION (CCSU) AND LEARNER VOICE**

We are incredibly proud of our Students' Union (CCSU), which exists to represent your voice at every level in the College and to make sure you have a fantastic time with us. The CCSU can arrange activities for students and give feedback on how to improve the student experience on campus. Every course will also have a course rep to provide feedback on your programme.



# TRANSPORT

The Cornwall College Group offers an extensive transport network so that you can easily travel to and from college. We work in partnership with local councils and local bus companies to provide reliable, efficient travel.

## APPLYING FOR COLLEGE TRANSPORT

If you are aged 16-18 and need help with transport to college, it is really important that you apply for your bus pass during the months of June and July. This will guarantee that you will have your pass in readiness for the start of term in September.

Depending on where you live, your bus pass could be provided by Cornwall Council, Devon Council or through the college's own transport network.

## NEED HELP WITH THE COST?

We do have college bursaries available that can support eligible learners with the cost of travel. If you have any questions about travel bursaries please email [studentfinance@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:studentfinance@cornwall.ac.uk)

Applying for your bus pass is easy, scan the QR code for more information or visit: [cornwall.ac.uk/transport](http://cornwall.ac.uk/transport)



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# DEGREES ON YOUR DOORSTEP

Ready to go further? You don't have to venture far to continue your journey into higher education.

The Cornwall College Group offers a unique university-level experience that places the development of real, vocationally relevant skills that are valued by employers at the heart of our offer. This is all made possible through close working relationships with our industry partners.

So, if university-level study is your goal, we can provide a seamless transition to higher level study in an environment you're already familiar with.



## WE OFFER COURSES IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

### Agriculture

Animal Management  
& Veterinary Nursing

Arts & Media

Computing

Construction

### Counselling

Engineering

Equine

Horticulture, Floristry  
& Arboriculture

Marine Engineering  
& Boatbuilding

### Marine & Natural Environment

Golf, Sports and Fitness

Science Gateway

Teaching & Education

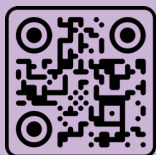
Wildlife Conservation  
& Zoology



# YOUR OPTIONS

## ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

A pathway to prepare anyone without traditional qualifications to get into higher education by developing the skills and knowledge needed.



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## FOUNDATION DEGREES

Practical qualifications that mix academic study with work experience, giving you a hands-on route to either employment or further study. You can even top up to a full degree after finishing if you choose to.

## HIGHER NATIONAL CERTIFICATE/DIPLOMA (HNC/HND)

Recognised qualifications that focus on specific industries, equipping you with practical skills for better job prospects.

## TOP-UP DEGREES

Designed for students with relevant qualifications or experience, these programmes enable you to top up your existing qualification to a full bachelor's degree.

## HIGHER APPRENTICESHIPS

Combining on-the-job training with academic study, higher apprenticeships offer a way to earn while you learn and gain valuable work experience.



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**uni@cornwall.ac.uk**  
**cornwall.ac.uk/university**

# TOP REASONS TO STUDY HIGHER EDUCATION WITH US

## SPEND LESS

In comparison to larger HE institutions, many of our course options will cost you less without compromising on the quality of your experience.

## INDUSTRY RELEVANT

We deliver practical, hands-on programmes to develop real-world and vocationally relevant skills.

## SMALL CLASS SIZES

Our university-level programmes are taught in small classes, giving you more access to lecturers and one-to-one support.

## FLEXIBILITY

Our range of one-year top-up options allows you to progress to a full degree from a range of HNC or foundation degree programmes.

## SUPPORT

We're proud to offer a level of personal wraparound support that you won't find elsewhere.

# HOW TO APPLY

## APPLY TO STUDY WITH US

So you've decided which course is for you:  
now it's time to apply.

### 1. APPLY



#### **Complete an application form**

You can apply through the relevant course page on our website using an online form. If you'd prefer a paper copy of the application form, call us and we can send one out to you.

#### **DISCLAIMER**

This prospectus contains information believed to be correct at the time of printing. It is possible that information may change for various reasons. The Cornwall College Group reserves the right to withdraw or amend any course listed in this prospectus at any time.





## 2. INTERVIEW

### **We can't wait to meet you**

You'll receive an invitation to meet with the course lecturer at an interview. This is likely to be at one of our scheduled interview events on a weekday evening. It's a perfect opportunity to talk about the course you're interested in and find out how it can help you achieve the goals you have for the future.

## 3. ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

### **You made it! Your college place is waiting**

Exciting! Reserve your place as soon as possible. Please note, the offer you get may be conditional on you gaining certain GCSE grades. If you end up not getting the results you expected, there's no need to panic. Just get in touch and we'll help you to look into any other options available to you.

## 4. START COURSE

### **Welcome to the #TheCareerCollege**

We'll see you in September for your induction week!

## GET IN TOUCH

If you have any other queries, please contact our main enquiries line on **0330 123 4783** or email **falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk**



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