OFFERING THE MOST FOR SCHOOL LEAVERS

FURTHER EDUCATION PROSPECTUS 2020/21

OPEN EVENTS
Tuesday 1st October 2019
4.00pm - 7.30pm
Saturday 2nd November 2019
10.00am - 2.00pm
Wednesday 11th March 2020
4.00pm - 7.30pm
A WARM WELCOME
TO PRESTON’S COLLEGE

At Preston’s College we take great pride in supporting all of our learners to achieve the qualifications and outcomes they need, alongside the technical skills, knowledge and experience that employers and universities are looking for. In short, it’s our mission to help make learners the most employable and to thrive in their chosen career.

We see real success with over 90% of 16-18 year olds going on to further study, an apprenticeship or employment. There is still a perception that A-Levels are the only route into Higher Education. Our Level 3 Extended Diplomas are the effective equivalent to three A-Levels and are accepted as an appropriate route into Higher Education, with a significant number of College learners successfully securing a place at University.

Recent research has highlighted that 85% of jobs in 2030 do not yet exist and that one third of all jobs are at high risk of automation.

Preston’s College has a wide sector-based technical and professional offer at all levels, with the additional focus on preparing resilient and adaptable learners who will be able to cope with the ever changing world of work. Our relationships with employers and businesses ensure that our provision and work experience is relevant and of high quality.

Our sector specialist staff and industry-standard facilities make the College an exciting and enjoyable place to be, all delivered in a supportive and caring environment.

We look forward to welcoming you to Preston’s College.

Dr Lis Smith
Principal and Chief Executive

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GET THE MOST FROM COLLEGE

Browse through our study areas to see all the fantastic, innovative courses on offer, and take a look at our support information to see how we can help you get the most out of your time at Preston’s College.

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For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
GETTING TO KNOW PRESTON’S COLLEGE
OUR MISSION IS TO MAKE YOU THE MOST EMPLOYABLE

MAKING YOU THE MOST EMPLOYABLE
All our courses are designed to make you ready for the world of work and university. Alongside achieving your qualification, you will also gain the technical skills, knowledge and experience that employers are looking for. Working closely with businesses across Lancashire, Preston’s College has shaped its curriculum to ensure you have the right skills to help you achieve your career goals.

DEVELOPING THE RIGHT TECHNICAL SKILLS
On some of our courses, you will need to start at Level 1 and 2 to gain a solid foundation of skills before you move onto a Level 3 qualification. On other courses, you may be able to begin at Level 3 depending on your qualifications.

HOW DO WE MAKE YOU EMPLOYABLE?
Our industry trained tutors will help you to develop the right skills and experience by getting involved in real projects set by local employers. Last year, for example, Engineering learners were involved in a Dragons’ Den style competition alongside local technology company Remvox to see which team of learners could come up with the most innovative invention.

MAKE THE RIGHT DECISION
When making the important decision about what to study at College, it’s worth taking the time to research what qualifications are needed for your future career. Some professions do require higher level qualifications, but university is not always the only way to get them! You can study Higher Level qualifications at Preston’s College in a range of subjects either in the classroom or in the workplace with a Higher or Degree Apprenticeship. You’ll also find that some professions such as teaching require you to undertake additional training, referred to as Continuing Professional Development or CPD hours.

WORK EXPERIENCE
On most of our courses you will have the opportunity to enjoy an industry placement to provide you with valuable experience in the workplace. This will help you to understand how the skills you have gained at college can be transferred into the workplace.

MATHS & ENGLISH
Maths and English skills are an important part of everyday and work life and employers are looking for people with these skills. That’s why it’s a government requirement that if you leave school without a grade 4 (or above) you will have to study it as part of your course at college.

FACILITIES & LEARNING
At Preston’s College there is a wide range of learning facilities and resources which allow you to put the technical skills you learn into practice. Facilities include state-of-the-art studios, theatres, libraries, science labs, workshops, hair and beauty salons, pc suites, digital technology and software. See page 53 for a selection of our facilities or visit us at our next open event for a tour.

Remember, if you’re unsure on what route to take, speak to one of our careers advisors who will be able to talk you through your options. You can contact our Advice Centre on 01772 22 55 22 and ask to speak with one of our dedicated Careers Advisors.
WHAT’S AVAILABLE AT PRESTON’S COLLEGE?

At Preston’s College, you can choose to study vocational-technical courses that lead to university or employment, or an Apprenticeship which develops your skills in the workplace and can lead to Degree and Higher Level Apprenticeships.

Our courses are developed alongside employers and are designed to give you flexibility and options on your education and journey to employment. For example, you could start your studies on a full-time college course and transfer onto an Apprenticeship to earn while you learn, still gaining the same qualification. Alternatively, you may continue on your full-time course and progress directly to higher level study either at Preston’s College or University.

See page 60 for more information on progression routes.

CAREERS GUIDANCE & INFORMATION

Leaving high school is an exciting time, especially if you know what career you want to do and how to get there - but if you don’t, it can be a little daunting. That’s where we can help.

Whatever stage you’re at on your career journey (or even if you haven’t yet started) our experienced Schools Liaison team can support you in making the right choices about your future. Our advisors are trained in providing high quality Careers Information, Advice and Guidance to all our prospective learners. They will help you to develop and manage your own progression plan based on your personal career aspirations.

If you are unsure about your future options, please visit www.preston.ac.uk to access information on courses and careers.
WE ARE A ‘GOOD’ COLLEGE AND OFSTED AGREES

Our recent Ofsted inspection resulted in a ‘Good’ rating for Preston’s College. Ofsted’s report highlighted the College’s overall effectiveness against eight key themes, including the ‘quality of teaching, learning and assessment’, ‘16-19 study programmes’ and ‘adult learning programmes’.

Ofsted also highlighted the improvements made at Preston’s College over the last two years, indicating that ‘students and apprentices work to high-level industrial standards and benefit from coaching and support from knowledgeable and well-qualified staff.’

The Ofsted result and the National Achievement Rates demonstrate that Preston’s College delivers excellence in teaching and learning.

In addition, Preston’s College is ranked as the 9th best college, out of 180 Further Education colleges in the country for achievement rates. Our Achievement Rates have improved from 88.6% in 16/17 to 89.1% in 17/18, sitting 6.3 points above the National Average.
Preston’s College succeeds in bid to deliver innovative T-Levels from September 2021

T-Levels are pioneering new courses which are co-created with leading employers and aim to ensure young people across the country have access to a variety of programmes that successfully develop them into the skilled workforce of the future.

Dr Lis Smith, Principal and Chief Executive of Preston’s College said: “We are delighted to have been successful in our application to deliver T-Levels from 2021. Preston’s College has a strong reputation for the delivery of highly effective technical education, and we currently work with a significant number of employer partners in ensuring that our learners are developing the skills and knowledge required to succeed in their chosen profession. The first T-Levels that Preston’s College will deliver will be in the priority sectors of Professional Construction, Health and Science and we are confident that we have the knowledge, expertise and resources required to ensure success for our students in these important subject areas.”
Choosing whether to study a BTEC or A-Levels can be a tough decision to make, that’s why we’re offering learners who meet the entry criteria the opportunity to combine both methods of study to create a broader combination of qualifications. This combination gives you the chance to develop your creative and technical skills during a BTEC, while developing your research and analytical skills through A-Levels.

**HOW IT WORKS...**

**STEP 1:** Choose your Level 3 programme

**STEP 2:** Choose one option from the below:
- A-Level English
- A-Level Maths
- A-Level Biology
- A-Level Psychology
- Level 3 Applied Law
- Level 3 Performing Arts

**STEP 3:** Apply
Visit [www.preston.ac.uk/apply](http://www.preston.ac.uk/apply) and complete an application form. After choosing your preferred Level 3 programme, you will be provided with the choice of choosing an A-Level subject to complement your course.

**ENTRY CRITERIA**
This course package is best suited to high achieving GCSE learners who would like to study additional provision. For this reason, suitability for the programme will be judged at interview, pending successful achievement of agreed GCSE results.

Look out for an A to see which courses are eligible to study an optional A-Level.
GIFTED & TALENTED SCHOLARSHIPS

Preston’s College is delighted to offer a scholarship programme for gifted and talented learners. A limited number of prestigious scholarships are available to any new Year 11 applicant looking to study an eligible full-time Level 3 course starting in September 2020.

WHAT CAN I GET FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP?
• £1,000 over the period of a two year Level 3 course
• NEW Apple iPad
• Free Travel Pass
• Free College Gym Membership
• Preston’s College Ambassador hoodie
• Support from our extensive range of employer links
• Evidence to support your UCAS application

WHAT COURSES ARE ELIGIBLE?
• Accountancy
• Aeronautical Engineering
• Applied Science
• Business Studies
• Digital: Computer Games Design
• Electrical & Electronic Engineering
• Event Management
• Health & Social Care
• Mechanical Engineering
• Performing Arts
• Professional Construction inc. Civil Engineering
• Professional Dance
• Public Services
• Sport

HOW CAN I APPLY?
You can apply for a scholarship online at www.preston.ac.uk/scholarships
• All sections of the form must be completed in full
• A Personal Statement section is included within the form. It is essential that you clearly explain why you are suitable for a Preston’s College Scholarship
• Deadline: Applications should be submitted before Thursday 30th April 2020. The Dance and Performing Arts application window will remain open until Friday 12th June 2020.

For more information on Scholarships and to apply visit www.preston.ac.uk/scholarships
ENTRY CRITERIA

You’ll find entry criteria information on our website, but as a reference here is a short overview of what we are looking for at each level. If you do not meet these requirements, we may take into consideration your individual circumstances.

ENTRY / LEVEL 1: Learners will need to attend an interview showing their interest in the subject and a willingness to learn.

LEVEL 2: Learners need four GCSEs at grade 3 (D) or above including at least one of English Language or Maths with a minimum of grade 2 in the other. You will also be required to attend an interview to discuss your suitability for the course.

LEVEL 3: Learners need five GCSEs at 9-4 (A*-C) grade including at least one of English Language or Maths at grade 4 or above and a minimum of grade 3 in the other. You will also be required to attend an interview to discuss your suitability for the course.

Please check the course leaflet or website for additional entry criteria as this can vary, for example, some courses require higher grades, portfolios and/or auditions.

ADDITIONAL ENTRY CRITERIA

Some courses have additional entry criteria and we advise that you check our website for the latest information. For example, in Performing Arts you will be required to audition, in Art & Design we’d like to see a portfolio of your work, and to study a Health & Social Care course or an Early Years course you will be required to have a Disclosure & Barring (DBS) check.

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PREPARING YOU FOR UNIVERSITY

Our Level 3 Diplomas can provide you with the same amount of UCAS points as A-Levels. The table below demonstrates how Extended Diplomas are the equivalent to three A-Levels.

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<th>UCAS points</th>
<th>BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma</th>
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D* = Distinction Star   D = Distinction   M = Merit
Look out for a U for courses that provide a direct route into university.

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
LEVEL 1 STUDIES

We recommend that you try your best at school and work hard to achieve the grades that will help get your career off to a flying start. If things don’t go to plan, don’t worry, at Preston’s College we have a range of Level 1 courses that can help get you back on track.

LEVEL 1 COURSES AVAILABLE IN:
• Automotive Maintenance & Repair
• Bricklaying
• Carpentry & Joinery
• Electrical Installations
• Painting & Decorating
• Plastering
• Plumbing

LEVEL 1 VOCATIONAL STUDIES
If you are unsure about your next step, then the Level 1 in Vocational Studies is ideal. You can try out a range of subjects before deciding on the right one to progress onto Level 2.

There are two pathways available on the Level 1 in Vocational Studies, the Service Industries pathway and the Business and Digital pathway. At enrolment, you will choose which pathway you would like to study. Your chosen pathway will include the subjects listed below and additional core units to develop your skills including Maths, English, Personal Development, Employability Skills, Working with Others, and Researching a Topic.

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<td>Digital Media</td>
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<td>Health &amp; Social Care</td>
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WHAT HAPPENS WHEN I COMPLETE MY COURSE?
• During your programme, you will have regular meetings with your Student Manager to see if you are ‘progression ready’
• At the end of your course you will choose which subject you’d like to study at Level 2
• You could also go on to study an Apprenticeship at Level 2.

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
Careers in accounting and business are wide ranging. A popular area of study is accounting, and at Preston’s College you can access AAT (Association of Accounting Technicians) qualifications as part of your Level 3 Accounting course, strengthening your CV or University Applications. If you want to keep your options open, or if you want to explore other areas of business before making a decision, then our Business courses are ideal as they have a wide range of units covering all areas of business.

### Full-time courses

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### Apprenticeships

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<td>2 &amp; 3</td>
<td>18-24 months</td>
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<tr>
<td>Business Administration</td>
<td>3</td>
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<td>Customer Service Practitioner</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>12-18 months</td>
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<td>Digital Marketer</td>
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### Employment Opportunities:

- Accounting
- Business Administration
- Human Resources
- Marketing
- Finance
- Retail
- Management
- Sales
- Customer Service
- Self Employed Entrepreneur
- Law

### Organisations we work with include:

- [AAT](https://www.aat.org.uk)
- [HD](http://www.hdtraining.co.uk)
- [IMC](http://www.imc.org.uk)
- [ILR](http://www.ilm.org.uk)
- [NMSS](http://www.nmss.co.uk)
- [MM](http://www.moortrainingsolutions.co.uk)
- [SM](http://www.simplytrainingsolutions.co.uk)

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Chartered & Certified Accountants

Chartered Accountants provide accounting, auditing services and financial advice by collecting and analysing financial information to improve business performance. To be successful in this industry you’ll have to have a head for numbers and an eye for detail. Organisation, problem solving and communication skills will also come in handy as you undertake financial investigations and liaise with management and other professionals. Your college course will prepare you for progression to university level provision, following which you will seek membership to the Institute of Chartered Accountants.

MAGISTRATES VISIT PUTS PRESTON’S COLLEGE LEARNERS IN THE DOCK

Business and Public Services learners took part in an interactive session with two local magistrates. As well as receiving invaluable insight into the judicial system learners got to recreate a case to experience the court room in action. Learners were given roles covering prosecution, jury and defence and took part in discussions about how their opinions on the case developed as new evidence was presented to the court.

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk

204,158
JOBS IN THE UK

£39,000
AVERAGE SALARY

53,579
VACANCIES ADVERTISED IN 2018
Careers in the automotive industry include automotive technicians, motorsports engineers, car designers and business owners. With a global wide focus on climate change and a growing demand for low emission cars there are lots of opportunities for innovation and a real need for workers that can quickly adapt to new technologies. At Preston’s College you will have access to a wide range of learning resources in our iSTEM Automotive Workshop including diagnostics, mechanic tool kits and hydro/pneumatic lifts.

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<td>2 &amp; 3</td>
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**Employment Opportunities:**
- Motor Vehicle Service Technician
- Technician
- Motorsports Engineer
- Garage Owner
- Dealership Manager

**Organisations we work with include:**

- NTL
- Bowker
- Leyland Trucks
CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Automotive Technician

Automotive Technicians carry out routine maintenance, repairs and services to vehicles to keep them in a roadworthy condition. You can choose to specialise in light vehicle, heavy vehicle or motorcycles. You’ll need good dexterity to use the range of tools and equipment to repair and service vehicles, good communication skills to explain repairs to your customers and problem solving skills to diagnose the faults. To be an Automotive Technician you’ll typically study up to Level 3 this, can be in the classroom or in the workplace as an Apprentice.

180,500
JOBS IN THE UK

£25,168
AVERAGE SALARY

101,806
VACANCIES
ADVERTISED
IN 2018

LEARNER PROFILE

Ethan Bibby
Studying: Level 3 in Motorsports

Joining Preston’s College from Brownedge St. Mary’s, Ethan has already completed his Level 1 in Automotive Maintenance and Repair and his Level 2 studies in Motorsports. With no prior knowledge of cars before joining Preston’s College, Ethan has had the full support of his tutors who have taught him everything he now knows about cars.

“The automotive courses I have completed at Preston’s College have given me a career path and a valuable life skill. I’ve really enjoyed the motorsports courses because they are not just about fixing cars but making them better and better, pushing them as far as they can go. My next step is to secure an Apprenticeship with a motorsports company.”

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
The Construction Industry is booming in the UK and there are lots of opportunities for tradesmen to work on building sites either as employed workers or as subcontractors. But there’s more to the construction industry than housebuilding. You can find opportunities in infrastructure, retail, civil engineering and construction management. Preston’s College has strong partnerships with local employers who provide opportunities for progression into a wide range of Apprenticeships.

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Bricklayer

Bricklayers lay bricks, pre-cut stone, concrete blocks and other types of building blocks to construct and repair walls, foundations, partitions, arches and other structures. As a bricklayer, work can range from constructing a house extension to major retail parks. To be a bricklayer you’ll typically study to Level 3 either in the classroom or through an Apprenticeship.

Employment Opportunities:
• Bricklayer
• Civil Engineer
• Decorator
• Electrician
• Gas Engineer
• Joiner
• Plasterer
• Plumber
• Site Labourer
• Trainee Quantity or Building Surveyor
• Trainee Site or Project Manager
• Trainee Architect

PARTNERSHIPS & INDUSTRY LINKS

Preston’s College has strong links with local employers and industry. Our partnership with the Eric Wright Learning Foundation (EWLF) resulted in the partial refurbishment of the College’s construction centre. The construction centre is fully equipped with tools and work areas for plastering, bricklaying, painting and decorating, and carpentry and joinery.

Our Apprenticeships in Plumbing and Electrical are run in partnership with JTL, a national apprenticeship, training and assessment specialist. This partnership has seen over £100,000 invested in the learning facilities at Preston’s College.

Our strong links with local employers mean you can be recruited straight from the workshop. That’s why on the majority of construction courses you will start at Level 1 to develop a strong set of industry skills before progressing to an Apprenticeship – sometimes before you’ve even finished your first year.

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
A FOCUS ON PROFESSIONAL CONSTRUCTION

The Level 3 Professional Construction course at Preston’s College can lead to a variety of construction roles in areas such as architecture, site management, civil engineering, quantity surveying and building surveying. The course is equivalent to three A-Levels and provides entry to university degree programmes.

Through a mixture of classroom activities, practical surveying, work placements and site visits, you’ll develop a broad knowledge of the management and theoretical aspects of the construction industry. Alongside core units in health and safety, sustainability and building technology you’ll also be able to access specialist units in project management, computer aided design and topographic surveying.

BUILDING THE FUTURE OF THE INDUSTRY

Our Level 3 Professional Construction and Engineering learners scooped first place in the HS2 ‘Fast Trackers’ competition at University College London after impressing a panel of industry professionals with their innovative ideas. The competition took place in front of industry, government and college representatives who tasked learners with an industry style brief.

They were tasked to create a redesign of London’s Euston Station while maintaining its heritage, before planning and costing a route for the proposed high speed rail link between London and Birmingham, known as High Speed Two (HS2), taking into account environmental, commercial, social and practical implications.

Learners presented their redesign plans to the industry panel and successfully walked away with the NCOP Fast Track Trophy.
Civil Engineer

Civil Engineers have strong organisational and planning skills as they have to arrange, manage and monitor projects. Projects can be large scale and include the design of structures such as roads, dams, bridges, railways, sewerage systems and industrial buildings. You’ll need to have an eye for detail as you’ll be responsible for carrying out inspection work and monitoring the effectiveness of building materials. To be successful in this industry you would typically be educated to degree level, this can be achieved through a mix of classroom and Apprenticeship study.

LEARNER PROFILE

Jakub Juzwiak  
**Studying: Level 3 Professional Construction**

“I chose to study Level 3 Professional Construction at Preston’s College as I want to become an Architect. The course has equipped me with valuable industry skills alongside work placement opportunities which has allowed me to progress onto a degree course in Architecture at the University of Central Lancashire.”

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DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY

Digital Technology is big business across the globe and the impact of the digital economy is not fully understood yet. It’s an area that sees constant change and innovation covering data, artificial intelligence, cloud computing, robotics, self driving cars and virtual reality. However, digital technology is not just confined to those in the digital industry, technology and its uses touch all industries through technology adoption and software packages. At Preston’s College we understand the impact that digital technology can make, that’s why we are investing in our e-learning facilities and gaining recognition as a finalist in the Association of Colleges Beacon Award for the Effective Use of Technology in Further Education.

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<td>Digital Marketer</td>
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Employment Opportunities:
- App Developer
- Computer Games Designer/ Animator
- Creative Media/ Video Producer
- Cyber Security
- Graphic Designer
- IT Business Analysts, Architects & System Designers
- IT Engineer
- IT Operations Technician
- IT Specialist Manager
- IT User Support Technician
- IT Project or Programme Manager
- Multimedia Programmer
- Programmer or Software Development Professional
- Web Designer or Developer
- VR Developer

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Software Developer

Software developers build, plan, implement and maintain software solutions and programs. You’ll evaluate existing software and identify how it could be improved to meet business needs. During your training you’ll develop your skills in writing code for specialist programmes, this could include computer games, artificial intelligence and 3D engine development. You’ll need to have problem solving and communication skills to work with a range of people and understand their needs. To be successful in this industry you’ll typically study to degree level. Your college course will prepare you for progression to university level provision.

LEARNER PROFILE

Aaliyah Vohra

Studying: Level 3 in Graphic Design

Joining Preston’s College from Penwortham Priory Academy, Aaliyah is pursuing her favourite subject of Art & Design in the digital world, and hopes that after her training she can work for a graphic design firm creating designs for businesses far and wide.

“Digital design is a more practical implementation of my favourite subject and allows me to progress into a career that I’ll enjoy. The kind of work we do in class and the work experience I have gained is very practical and will certainly help me when it comes to working in the digital industry.”
Digital Technology is a thriving industry and the impact of new software and technology cannot be underestimated. As the world adopts more technology and strives for innovation that improves not only businesses but lives, there are possibly more opportunities here for a successful career than in any other industry.

Digital technology can cover many areas, at Preston’s College digital skills are embedded throughout our courses. Here’s a few examples of the software and equipment we use:

- Software in Construction includes Autodesk design software and Conquest (a digital estimating system)
- Advanced Computer Aided Design software in Engineering and IT courses
- Robotics systems and coding in Electrical & Electronic Engineering
- iPad mounted 3D scanners
- VR headsets and 360° cameras for immersive panoramas of learners in action
- Adobe Creative Suite and Microsoft Office software
- 3D modelling and animation software – MAYA
- 3D design and manufacturing.
CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Game Developer

Computer or Video Game Developers combine technical skills and creative skills to make games. Depending on the business you work for, you could specialise in one area of programming such as graphics, artificial intelligence or engine. In smaller independent game companies there are a lot more opportunities to get involved in development. There are several stages from concept to finished product including character design, animation, audio, programming, testing and editing. To be successful in this career you’ll need to have a passion for games, enjoy working in a team and be able to work independently. You’ll typically be qualified to degree level, however entry is possible with relevant work experience, a dynamic portfolio and a HND or Foundation Degree.

NEW TECHNOLOGIES
BRING COLLEGE CLASSROOM TO LIFE

Preston’s College has brought augmented and virtual reality into the classroom to improve the learner experience. Our e-learning team use a range of pioneering equipment, including a fully immersive VR headset, a 3D scanner for an iPad and a Samsung Gear 360°. The eLearning team trialled the resources in every department, from dance and science to automotive and beauty.

In Sport, the impact of football boots to improve performance was brought to life with the use of 3D iPad scanners which allowed them to create and design a 3D rotating boot which made their learning much more interactive and engaging.

In Dance, learners benefited from using the 360° camera in their classes. They placed the camera in the middle of a set and played the performance back to critique their movements and techniques.

Digital technology has also been introduced into teaching programmes at Preston’s College. Zac Wilkinson, Trowel Occupations & School Links Lecturer, studied his Certificate of Education at Preston’s College and discussed the significance of using digital technologies in the classroom.

Zac said: “As teachers, we can embed the use of technology into a classroom environment to make lessons much more interactive and engaging.”

Preston’s College takes a proactive approach to educational change and the development in teaching across the College is exciting, innovative and leads the future of learning.”

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Working with children and young people is both rewarding and fulfilling. It’s not simply nursery and childcare providers that offer a range of job roles, there are also opportunities in social care, education, mental health, family support or young offending teams. At Preston’s College you’ll benefit from a range of industry placements which provide invaluable experience in the workplace so you can decide on the best career for you.

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**Employment Opportunities:**
- Nursery Nurse
- Childminder
- Teaching Assistant
- Early Years Practitioner

**Organisations we work with include:**
- St. Mary’s B.C. Primary School
- Teddy Bear’s Day Nursery
- Tree Tots Nursery
- West View Leisure Centre

**Early Years Crèche**
Our Early Years Crèche allows learners to gain industry experience in a real work environment alongside achieving their qualifications. Based at an external nursery two days per week, learners are provided with the unique opportunity to work directly with customers and children, putting their class-based work into practice, equipping them with both skills and knowledge employers are looking for.
CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Child & Early Years Officer

Working alongside other professionals, such as social workers and educational psychologists, Child and Early Years Officers identify, plan and deliver appropriate support to families facing a variety of difficulties. They attend meetings, write up case notes, prepare reports and advise clients and their families on available support and resources. To be successful in this career you’ll need excellent communication skills and empathy to help families through difficult times. You’ll typically be qualified to degree level however there are opportunities to develop your career in the workplace through an Apprenticeship.

LEARNER PROFILE

Annabella Pulizzi
Studying: Early Years Level 3

“I want to become a primary school teacher and the course equips me with skills, knowledge and work placement opportunities to achieve my dream career.”

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ENGINEERING
AERONAUTICAL, ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC AND MECHANICAL

Within the engineering industry there are 100s of opportunities available. New developments in technologies mean that the world is constantly evolving and engineers are at the heart of it. Safer travel, drone deliveries, communication, product improvements, greener energy, advanced machines, robots - the list is endless and so are the opportunities. At Preston’s College you’ll benefit from our state-of-the-art iSTEM Centre which provides outstanding teaching facilities and equipment including a 6-seater Piper Aztec aircraft, small scale wind tunnel, CNC machines, welding pods, electronic labs and computer suites.

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<td>Welding</td>
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Employment Opportunities:
- Aerospace Engineer
- Aeronautical Engineer
- CAD Technician
- CNC Machinist
- Electrical & Electronic Engineer
- Manufacturing Engineer
- Mechanical Engineer
- Project & Quality Engineer
- Sustainable Energy Systems Engineer

Organisations we work with include:

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Electrical Engineers

Electrical engineers design, develop, test and maintain electrical control systems. As an engineer you could find that you work across many different industries including construction (heating, lighting and ventilation), transportation, manufacturing and the power industry. You’ll need great organisation and communication skills alongside the ability to solve problems and analyse data. You’ll typically be qualified to degree level however there are opportunities to develop your career in the workplace through an Apprenticeship.

30,230
JOBS IN THE UK

£42,266
AVERAGE SALARY

13,434
VACANCIES ADVERTISED IN 2018

LEARNER PROFILE

Ethan Yates
Studying: Level 3 in Aeronautical Engineering

Joining Preston’s College from Longridge High School, Ethan had a strong interest in aeronautical engineering. Now he’s got his sights set on his future with a place at Salford University for his degree and a long term ambition to move to the United States of America to develop rockets.

“I looked at other colleges but Preston was the best one for me. I have really enjoyed my time, I’ve taken part in the flight experience – getting to fly a plane myself and used a variety of machines in the workshop and practical sessions including the welding equipment and the wind tunnel.”

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Events, Travel & Tourism is an area with a lot of different job roles and opportunities. You can work anywhere in the world in a variety of settings including travel agencies, airports, hotels, holiday resorts and visitor attractions such as theme parks, zoos and stately homes. In terms of events you could be organising small scale fundraisers, parties in the park, festivals or weddings. Both sectors are customer facing so you’ll need to be good with people and have great communication skills.

At Preston’s College you will have opportunities to go on various trips, work experience placements and visits from guest speakers working in the industry. These enrichment and extra-curricular activities are built into your Study Programme to enhance university applications and CVs.

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Employment Opportunities:
- Airport Personnel
- Attractions Management
- Cabin Crew
- Cruise Ship Personnel
- Event Management
- Hotel Management
- Resort Representatives
- Travel Agencies

Organisations we work with include:

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Conference & Exhibition Manager

Conferences and exhibitions need careful management and planning to be a success. As a conference manager you’ll be expected to oversee all bookings, generate new business and manage client’s expectations. Even with the best planning things can always change last minute, so you’ll need to be adaptable and think on your feet to ensure your customers are satisfied. You’ll typically be qualified to degree level and need relevant experience from a junior role before progressing to a manager position. Your college course will prepare you for progression to university level provision.

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Travel & Tourism learners took their skills to new heights by taking part in an aviation demonstration to gain an additional certificate in aviation. Learners immersed themselves in the airport experience, gaining a taste of a range of operations in each customer-facing role by setting up check-in desks, luggage security, duty free and aircraft boarding desks. They also conducted on board safety presentations using real life equipment.

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Arefs Bamberis started his learning journey in 2014/15 studying Level 1 Travel & Tourism before going on to achieve his Level 3 qualification. Arefs’ specialist units of study, alongside work experience opportunities gave him advantages over other candidates and was successfully appointed in his dream role as Security Aviation Officer at Manchester Airport.

“The qualifications and experience gained at Preston’s College allowed me to get my dream job and I may not have received the opportunity to gain as much work experience if I had done A-Levels.”

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HAIRDRESSING & BEAUTY THERAPY

Everybody wants to look and feel great and hairdressers and beauty therapists help people do just that. There are opportunities close to home, with salons and beauty services common place on high streets across the UK, and opportunities further afield in the tourism industry, within holiday resorts and on cruise ships. At Preston’s College you have access to our industry standard training salons where you have everything you need to hone your skills and start a successful career.

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Employment Opportunities:
- Beauty Therapy
- Colour Technician
- Hairdressing
- Nail Technician
- Salon Ownership/Management

Organisations we work with include:
CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Hairdressing & Beauty Salon Managers and Proprietors

As a Salon Manager you are responsible for the day to day running of the salon, ensuring that all business records are kept up-to-date and accurate, undertaking health and safety checks, sourcing and managing stock as well as ensuring that clients receive the very best customer care from your staff. To be a successful manager you’ll need excellent customer service skills, organisation and a head for numbers as you maintain the financial accounts. You’ll typically be qualified to Level 3 either through the classroom or an Apprenticeship.

LEARNER PROFILE

Molly Lightfoot

Studying: Level 2 in Hairdressing

Joining Preston’s College from Holy Cross Catholic High School in Chorley, Molly has aspirations to become her own boss and open a salon, but first she’ll hone her skills by progressing to a Level 3 Apprenticeship in Hairdressing.

“I’ve always wanted to be a hairdresser, it’s hands on and I get to be creative. After a taster day at Preston’s College I knew I wanted to come here. The training salon ‘Elements’ is just like a real salon and we get to work on real clients.”

RIBBY HALL PARTNERSHIP CONTINUES TO GROW

Preston’s College is proud to announce a new Spa Therapies and Beauty Massage course in partnership with Ribby Hall Village’s SPA Hotel. The partnership provides college learners with the opportunity to complete work experience at the luxury facility and allows Ribby Hall Spa to train the next generation of Beauty Therapists.

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A YEAR IN PICTURES
HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

The health and social care industry is vast with the NHS employing more than 1.5 million people for over 350 different roles. There are also subcontractors and independent healthcare organisations that keep the UK fit and healthy. It is a rewarding sector and your choice of career can make a real difference to people’s lives. To be successful in this sector you’ll need a caring nature, an ability to stay calm under pressure and excellent communication skills to advise people in your care about their conditions. At Preston’s College we have a wide range of learning facilities and equipment that provides a more realistic learning experience. These include a fully kitted out hospital ward and dental suite, electric hoist, pregnancy suit, ageing kit, hospital bed and resuscitation dummies.

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<td>Senior Healthcare Support Worker</td>
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Employment Opportunities:

- Dental Nurse
- Dentist
- Pharmacy Technician
- Healthcare Assistant
- Paramedic
- Nurse
- Midwife
- Physiotherapist
- Social Worker
- Allied Health Professional including:
  > Radiologist
  > Speech Therapist
  > Podiatrist

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Midwife

Midwives provide expert care to mothers and babies during and after pregnancy, they also deliver babies in normal births and assist doctors with difficult deliveries. Responsibilities include the planning and management of midwifery care services, supervising and training junior staff and advising on baby care, exercise, diet and family planning. You’ll need excellent communication skills to train others and keep medical notes up to date and accurate. You’ll typically be qualified to degree level, this can either be through university or a midwife degree apprenticeship. Your college course will prepare you for progression to university level provision.

INDUSTRY INSIGHTS

Our Pharmacy and Health & Social learners attended the Annual Pharmacy Conference at Preston’s College, featuring a number of guest speakers from the pharmaceutical industry to talk about their specialist areas and how their skills are applied in the industry. The annual event provides learners with the opportunity to develop their understanding of the industry from a first-hand perspective.

25,591 JOBS IN THE UK

£41,101 AVERAGE SALARY

1,626 VACANCIES ADVERTISED IN 2018

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PERFORMING ARTS & THEATRICAL MEDIA MAKE-UP

The entertainment industry is huge and the UK has a great reputation globally for producing films and television shows, but the industry is more than just what you see on screen. You can find opportunities in the theatre, in the tourism sector, on the radio, the internet, backstage and in the corporate sector. You will also find that the skills and confidence you develop are transferable to a wide range of other job roles and careers with past alumni moving in to areas such as teaching, journalism and management. At Preston’s College you’ll have the opportunity to take part in shows and performances throughout the year to develop your skills and confidence in preparation for professional and university auditions.

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<td>Foundation Learning Performing Arts</td>
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<td>Professional Dance &amp; Dance Teaching</td>
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Employment Opportunities:
- Acting for stage and screen
- Arts Administrator
- Dancer
- Director
- Dramatherapist
- Fashion/Photographic Make-up
- Performer
- Prosthetics
- Screenwriting
- Special Effects
- Teaching
- Theatrical Make-Up Artist

Organisations we work with include:

OUR QUALIFICATIONS ARE ACCREDITED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF ARTS LONDON, A TOP SIX WORLD RANKING UNIVERSITY FOR ART AND DESIGN

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Actors, Entertainers & Presenters

Performers take on many roles and the ability to assume characters and communicate this to an audience is easier said than done. Performers may make it look easy but there is a lot of hard work and dedication to be found in this vocation. Most performers are self-employed so you’ll need to be resilient and confident in your abilities, dedicating time to honing your skills, auditioning and reflecting on your work. You’ll typically be qualified to degree level so you gain and develop a wide range of performing skills and increase your chances of landing those dream roles. Your college course will prepare you for progression to university level provision.

PRESTON’S COLLEGE ALUMNI TAKES CENTRE STAGE

Former Performing Arts learner, Kingsley Judd, landed a lead role in the UK’s theatre production of the Simon & Garfunkel Story. Kingsley plays the part of legendary Art Garfunkel alongside a full cast of talented actor-musicians.

Studying at Preston’s College from 2011-2013 Kingsley gained a Level 3 in Performing Arts before progressing onto the University of Chichester to study a BA (Hons) in Music & Musical Theatre. After gaining experience in a variety of shows, Kingsley now has a coveted lead role in a critically acclaimed musical.

NEW TV STUDIO & THEATRE MEDIA MAKE-UP ROOMS

At Preston’s College we provide fantastic learning facilities for our learners including rehearsals rooms, a fully functioning 100 seat theatre onsite, access to external theatres and venues for end of year productions, creative media suites and now a brand new TV studio and theatrical media make-up rooms. Get a 360° tour of the TV studio by visiting www.preston.ac.uk/tv-studio

Search for us on Instagram & Facebook

For more information request your copies of our Actor Training Academy and our Musical Theatre Training Academy brochures by emailing your address to ata@preston.ac.uk

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
PROFESSIONAL DANCE & DANCE TEACHING

The Dance Industry employs in the region of 30,000 people working as dancers, teachers, choreographers, technicians and managers. There are also a lot of support roles such as promoters, producers, therapists and medical practitioners.

Performance opportunities exist in dance companies, theatre companies, opera, film, television, events, festivals and the travel and tourism industry. With a growing national interest in dance from high profile shows such as Strictly Come Dancing and Britain’s Got Talent, there are also opportunities for dance professionals to open up Dance Schools, as well as pathways in related areas such as Musical Theatre and Acting.

A UNIQUE DANCE PROGRAMME
Preston’s College Dance (PCD) has over 25 years experience of training Dancers, Dance Teachers and Performers. Our mission is to nurture each individual and provide training and qualifications that will lead to a sustainable career in this challenging but rewarding industry. There are numerous opportunities for performance, additional qualifications and training alongside the main programme of study. In the second and third year of the course, learners work with a number of external agencies preparing them for audition and work. Many agents and cruise companies currently hold private in-house auditions for our graduating learners and we are regularly contacted by dance schools looking for teachers in the area.

INDUSTRY STANDARD FACILITIES
PCD is equipped with state-of-the-art facilities including; five modern dance studios, each with sprung harlequin flooring, air conditioning and full-length mirrors, three drama and voice coaching studios, a TV studio and fully functioning 100 seat theatre.

PERFORMANCE PACKAGE
It is highly recommended that all learners on the Dance programme also undertake additional subjects through our Certificate in Performance. For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk/dance

Email ahindley@preston.ac.uk to request a copy of our dance prospectus.
PCD ENRICHMENT

At PCD you also have a range of enrichment activities that make your time with us even better. There are an array of performance opportunities including the end of year show and an annual choreography competition, trips throughout the year including a trip to New York and London, workshops, private auditions and guest lecturers.
PUBLIC SERVICES

A career in the public services is your opportunity to protect and serve your country and community. Careers in the sector typically cover the Armed Forces, Blue Light Services, Probation Service and Security, within these areas you’ll find a wide range of roles and opportunities to climb the ladder into senior positions.

At Preston’s College you can take part in a variety of enrichment activities such as residential trips and the Duke of Edinburgh Award. So if you want to progress your studies to a higher level at university before starting your career, you can. If your aim is to join a uniformed service, we will equip you with academic skills and physical training to prepare you for the entrance exams.

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Employment Opportunities:
- Blue-Light Services
- Probation Service
- Community Schemes
- Armed Forces
- Security

Organisations we work with include:

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Fire Service Officer

Fire Service Officers attend and deal with a range of emergency situations including fires, road accidents, floods and rescues. To be successful in this industry you'll need to be resilient, calm under pressure and have excellent communication skills to work as part of your team and help people through some traumatic experiences. You'll typically be qualified to Level 3 before you start your employment, during which you can progress to higher roles with in-house training and development schemes.

PUBLIC SERVICES LEARNERS PUT TO THE TEST AT ARMY RESERVE COLLEGE COMPETITION

Public Services learners endured two and a half days of intense Army physical activities, developing combat skills at the same time as team work and leadership skills through a variety of tasks such as a rifle range challenge, combat field manoeuvres and night time siege activities.

In some very poor weather conditions learners competed in mixed college teams to complete the challenges. The winning team was a joint squad made up of learners from Preston's College and another local college, highlighting how versatile and adaptable our learners are to work with peers they have never met before.

Preston’s College learner, Ben Colley, was chosen as the best overall participant for the Challenge and was commended on his leadership skills.

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
Science is a vast area with hundreds of opportunities across different sectors. You can choose to specialise in a field or use your skills to work in commercial areas. Areas of employment include (but are not limited to) academia, research, food science, chemicals, criminal investigation, environmental science, geoscience and healthcare sciences. You’ll need skills in problem solving, data analysis and presentation skills to collate the findings of your investigations into meaningful information.

At Preston’s College you’ll benefit from our iSTEM Centre with dedicated science facilities and equipment. There are dual use classroom and laboratories so you can put theory into practice straight away. In terms of equipment there is a PCR machine which amplifies DNA, ultraviolet visible spectrophotometer, digital melting point apparatus, infrared spectrophotometer, a telescope and forensic kits.

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**Employment Opportunities:**

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Dentistry
- Environmental Science
- Geology
- Midwifery
- Pharmacy
- Veterinary Medicine

**Organisations we work with include:**

- Lancashire County Council
- innovia
- Victrex
- FUTAMURA

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Biological Scientists & Biochemists

Biological scientists perform tests and study physiological and pathological characteristics within cells and other organisms. These tests and studies can be utilised to provide insight into the effects of internal and external environmental factors on life processes and other functions of living organisms and advise other professions such as farmers or medical staff on the nature of field crops and on the treatment and prevention of disease. You'll typically be educated to degree level to get started in the industry, with experience you may wish to consider pursing a masters or doctorate to develop your knowledge and career further. Your college course will prepare you for progression to university level provision.

82,848
JOBS IN THE UK

£37,461
AVERAGE SALARY

41,041
VACANCIES ADVERTISED IN 2018

LEARNER PROFILE

Emily Rhodes
Studying: Level 3 in Applied Science

Joining Preston’s College from Carr Hill High School, Emily wasn’t sure what she wanted to do. Wanting to keep her options open she chose to study the Level 3 in Applied Science – a technical-vocational course rather than A-Levels.

“I enjoy the broad spectrum of biology and chemistry that you get on my course. At school I really enjoyed Food Technology and I’ve got to explore the science of food further through units on the digestive system and nutrition. I now know that I want to pursue a career as a dietician within the NHS and help tackle childhood obesity.”

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
SPORT & FITNESS

Sport England has been driving many schemes across the country to get more people participating in sports and an active lifestyle. These schemes provide a range of opportunities for people to start a career in the sport and fitness industry. You’ll also find opportunities in coaching, performance analysis, management, outdoor and adventure tourism. To be successful in this industry you’ll need to have a genuine passion for what you do, work hard and be dedicated to making people lead fit and healthy lifestyles.

At Preston’s College you will have opportunities to take part in a variety of enrichment activities such as residential trips and the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

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Employment Opportunities:
- Physiotherapy
- Psychology
- Personal Training
- Sports Development & Coaching
- Sports Science
- Sports Therapy
- Teaching

Organisations we work with include:

Facilities:
At Preston’s College you’ll have access to our onsite gym and fitness suite, a training rig, squash courts, sports hall and AstroTurf pitch at student friendly prices.

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CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Sports Coaches, Instructors & Officials

Sports coaches monitor and analyse techniques and performance to determine how improvements can be made. They coach teams or individuals by demonstrating techniques and directing training and exercise sessions. To be successful in this career you’ll need planning and organisational skills to deliver your sessions effectively and great communication skills to explain your techniques and motivate participants. You’ll typically be qualified to Level 3, however a growing number of sports coaches are studying beyond this level. To stand out from the crowd you may wish to consider further study.

LEARNER PROFILE

Ethan Tibbs
Studying: Level 3 in Sport

Joining Preston’s College from Carr Hill High School, Ethan has ambitions of studying a Sports Science degree in an American University. His tutors are supporting him to complete his applications and providing him with excellent references.

“I really enjoy the variety of the topics that we’ve covered on the course and how we link theory based work to our own experiences of sport to complete our assignments. The variety of topics really opened my eyes to how wide sports is, it’s been a great course that has prepared me for degree level study.”

BAMBER BRIDGE FOOTBALL ACADEMY

If you want to play football at a high level, take a look at our Football Academy in partnership with Bamber Bridge FC. You’ll gain qualifications alongside training and practising with your team to compete against other colleges across the country.

75,339 JOBS IN THE UK

£20,259 AVERAGE SALARY

27,631 VACANCIES ADVERTISED IN 2018

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
VISUAL, DIGITAL ARTS & MEDIA

Visual and digital arts falls within the Creative Arts sector, which in the UK contributes over £90billion to the economy. It’s a diverse sector with lots of opportunities for those with creative flair. You can find opportunities in traditional art forms such as painting, illustration, graphic design and publishing alongside the digital world such as games design, digital photography, animation and video production.

All our creative courses include live briefs and projects to enable you to develop industry skills and build a professional portfolio to showcase your abilities to employers or universities. Your portfolio is particularly important if you wish to progress to university after achieving your Level 3 qualification, as it can be used to support your UCAS application.

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Employment Opportunities:
- Art & Design
- Computer Games Development
- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Interior Design
- Photography
- Product Design
- Architecture
- Production Assistants
- Media Production
- Video Editing

Organisations we work with include:
CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Graphic Designer

Graphic designers use their creative flair and digital skills to create a range of designs for multiple platforms. Anything from books, posters and flyers to adverts and product packaging. Graphic designers need to use their knowledge of printing processes and media platforms to respond to their client’s project briefs. To be successful in this industry you’ll need to keep up-to-date with the latest design trends, have excellent communication skills and be able to reflect on your work, taking direction and feedback from your clients and advising them on the best solutions. You’ll typically be qualified to degree level and you’ll need work experience before progressing into more senior roles. Your college course will prepare you for progression to university level provision.

END OF YEAR EXHIBITION

Every year our Art, Digital and Media learners create an amazing exhibition of their work in the College’s Atrium. The exhibition is a collection of final project work and showcases the skills they’ve developed in a wide range of artistic and design processes. The exhibition is open to the public as well as friends and family members.

View work from current students!
Available on Facebook and Twitter - search for creativeartspreston

Our qualifications are awarded by the University of Arts London, a top six world ranking university for art and design

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
APPRENTICESHIPS

An Apprenticeship is a programme that allows you to earn while you learn. You will work for a local company while gaining a recognised qualification in college. What’s even better, your employer will pay you a wage and support your learning.

CAN I BECOME AN APPRENTICE?
You can apply for an Apprenticeship while you are still at school but to start one, you must:

• Be over 16 (no age limit)
• Live in England
• Not be in full-time education
• Have secured work or have a promise of employment (we can help with this, see opposite).

LEVELS OF APPRENTICESHIPS

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<td>Degree</td>
<td>up to 4 years</td>
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*Msome Apprenticeship frameworks/standards may run beyond the regular duration

MATHS & ENGLISH
If you haven’t already secured a grade 4 or above at GCSE, we will support and develop your Maths and English skills to enable your progression onto the next level and into employment.

FINDING AN EMPLOYER
To study an Apprenticeship programme you must have an employer. To help you find one, here are five really important steps to help you succeed.

1. CONTACT THE APPRENTICESHIP TEAM
Our specialist team work with hundreds of local employers and will help to put you in touch with businesses that are recruiting.

2. VISIT LOCAL EMPLOYERS
Contact local employers to see if you can go in for a quick chat. It’s much better to make a good first impression in person than over the phone.

3. VOLUNTEER / WORK EXPERIENCE
Make a lasting impression by giving the company a helping hand – it could be your golden ticket to employment and it also enhances your CV.

4. GET YOUR CV UP-TO-DATE
Make sure you stand out from the crowd with the most professional CV possible – it’s your shop window.

5. WORD OF MOUTH
Ask your friends and family if they know any local companies who are looking to hire an Apprentice. Remember, it’s a small world.

CAN’T FIND AN EMPLOYER?
If you are unable to find an employer willing to take you onto an Apprenticeship, you always need a backup plan. This sometimes means enrolling onto a full-time course until an Apprenticeship opportunity becomes available. Keep visiting www.preston.ac.uk/appvacancies for the latest opportunities.
WHAT WE OFFER

Preston’s College offer a wide range of Apprenticeship at Levels 2 and 3 as well as progression routes onto Higher Level Apprenticeships.

ACCOUNTING
- Accounting 2

AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGIES
- Heavy Vehicle Maintenance & Repair 2
- Light Vehicle Maintenance & Repair 2
- Motorcycle 2
- Automotive Care Technician 2

BEAUTY THERAPY
- Beauty Therapy 2

BUSINESS
- Business Administrator 3
- Customer Service Practitioner 2
- Operations Manager 2
- Team Leading 2

COMPUTING & IT
- Infrastructure Technician 2

CONSTRUCTION & BUILT ENVIRONMENT
- Bricklaying 2
- Carpentry & Joinery (Site or Bench) 2
- Construction Contracting Operations (Professional Construction) 2
- Construction Management 4
- General Construction Operations (Civil Engineering) 2
- Painting & Decorating 2
- Plastering 2
- Plumbing & Domestic Heating Technician* 4
- Electrical Installation* 4

DENTAL NURSING
- Dental Nurse 3
- Dental Practice Manager 3

ENGINEERING
- Associate Project Manager 4
- Electrical & Electronic Engineering 2
- Welding 2
- General Engineering 2
- Manufacturing Engineer 4
- Mechanical Engineering 2

HAIRDRESSING
- Hairdressing 2

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE
- Adult Care Worker 2
- Lead Adult Care Worker 3
- Senior Healthcare Support Worker 3

MARKETING
- Digital Marketer 3

PHARMACY SERVICES
- Pharmacy Services 2

SCIENCE
- Laboratory Scientist 3
- Laboratory Technician 3

KEY
2 = Level 2
3 = Level 3
4 = Progression onto Level 4
5 = Progression onto Level 5
6 = Progression onto Level 6

* delivered by JTL

HOW TO APPLY

Apply online www.preston.ac.uk/apply
For advice or more information call the Apprenticeship Team through the Course and Enrolment Information Centre on 01772 22 55 22.

Email appsinfo@preston.ac.uk to request a copy of the Apprenticeship Guide for School Leavers.

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
Preston’s College is proud to offer a specialist full-time course to support the development of language skills required to progress onto higher level courses or a chosen career. Learners get lots of support to help them both in the College and in their community to build their confidence and help integration.

Our renowned programmes offer recognised English qualifications and tasters in different subjects to help with making the right career choice. To register for this course you will need an assessment with a specialist advisor.

We also offer this course to 15-year-olds who require specialised English Language development. Please apply via the Lancashire County Council, who will assess on a case-by-case basis.

ENROLMENT FOR THIS COURSE IS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND THIS IS A FREE* COURSE

*Math eligibility criteria applies.

Maths and English are important work and everyday life skills. At Preston’s College we recommend that you try your best at school and achieve the best grades that you can.

The Government requires that every young person leaving school continues to study Maths and English until they achieve at least a grade 4 in both subjects.

This means, that if you leave school without a grade 4 you will be required to continue studying the subjects alongside your main college course. We will support you to achieve these qualifications as much as we can as part of our mission to make you the most employable.
FACILITIES

At Preston’s College we have a range of fantastic learning facilities across all our courses. Below is a sample of just some of the facilities we have. Visit us at one of our advice events to check out our state-of-the-art campus and take a tour.
Student Services offer information, advice and guidance to all learners. Support includes:

- Finances and college bursary
- Welfare and benefits information
- Advice on personal difficulties
- Homelessness
- Safeguarding and Prevent

Student Services is based in the Earnshaw building, next to the main reception.

Student Services is open during term-time from 8am–6pm from Monday to Thursday and 8am–5pm on Fridays.

IF YOU CAN’T VISIT STUDENT SERVICES IN PERSON, PLEASE:

📞 01772 22 56 56
📧 studentservices@preston.ac.uk
_NEAR_ Visit the Student Online Handbook
Preston’s College learners are able to apply for further help towards the cost of equipment, uniform and travel from the College Bursary funds, unless you are on an Apprenticeship or HE programme. The following information provides an overview of what is available in the academic year 2019/20, for the latest information for the 2020/21 academic year please contact Student Services.

**VULNERABLE BURSARY**  
(16-18 YEARS ONLY)  
Learners from the following categories are entitled to this bursary:  
- In Care  
  (including unaccompanied Asylum Seekers)  
- Care Leavers  
- In receipt of Income Support/Universal Credit  
- In receipt of Employment Support Allowance AND Disability Living Allowance/Personal Independence Payment.

**16-18 DISCRETIONARY LEARNING SUPPORT FUND**  
Provides financial help towards the cost of equipment, kit (uniform) and travel.

**16-19 CHILDCARE**  
Funded through the Government’s Care to Learn scheme, with a maximum weekly threshold of £160 per child. See [www.gov.uk/care-to-learn](http://www.gov.uk/care-to-learn) for more details.

**FREE COLLEGE MEALS**  
Learners aged between 16–18 years old (excluding apprentices) at the start of their course can access free college meals if they or their parents are in receipt of the following benefits or have a household income less than £16,190:  
- Income Support  
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA)  
- Income based Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)  
- Child Tax Credit  
- Working Tax Credit  
- Universal Credit

If you are aged 19 and continuing on the same study programme that you started before you turned 19, or are aged 19-24 and have a current Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP), you could also be eligible.

Eligibility for the bursary fund is based on a household income of less than £23,500. Evidence of income needs to be uploaded or brought into Student Services. Applicants with large families will need to see a welfare officer.

For more information visit [www.preston.ac.uk](http://www.preston.ac.uk)
LEARNER SUPPORT
SEND TEAM
(SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS & DISABILITY SUPPORT)

The College aims to provide a supportive platform for all learners to reach their goals.

The College adopts an inclusive approach to learning, offering high quality teaching which takes into account individual requirements. Reasonable adjustments are embedded within the classroom to ensure that those learners with an identified need are able to fully access the curriculum and the assessment/exam process.

We offer advice and guidance for learners with support needs who are making a transition in education.

Our Transition team meet with prospective learners to discuss and assess support needs once an application to college has been made. Our Transition team can:

- Attend high school annual EHCP reviews prior to application
- Organise individual tours and taster sessions
- Liaise with local authorities and external agencies
- Provide support at college open days and interviews
- Assist with DSA applications for HE learners
- In the event that your preferred/chosen course is not suitable for you, we will work closely with you and your parent(s)/guardian(s) to look at suitable other suitable opportunities available.

It is recognised that some learners may also need additional support and this will be provided by the Curriculum and Learner Support Team. The focus of support is to remove barriers to learning and developing strategies with our learners to foster their independence. This support may include Exam Access Arrangements, Assistive Technology, Learning Support Coaches/Assistants and Communication Support Workers (using British Sign Language).

For a few learners, a more comprehensive package of support may be required and, where this is the case, the College will normally have been informed of this by the Local Authority. The package of support will be tailored to individual requirements and may include support in and out of the classroom, modified resources and assistive technology.

To talk through your potential support needs with a member of the Transition Team please call 01772 22 53 28 or email transition@preston.ac.uk to book an appointment.
FOUNDATION LEARNING COURSES
FOR LEARNERS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS (SEND)

Foundation Learning courses are available to learners with Educational Health Care Plans and learners with Special Educational Needs. Courses are delivered by the School of Visual & Performing Arts and the School of Construction & the Built Environment at Preston’s College.

Foundation Learning courses aim to ensure that learners work to achieve targets in areas of vocational/academic learning, employment or social outcomes, and become as independent as possible. Courses usually last up to three years, but can vary as they are bespoke for each individual. Regular reviews take place to ensure that learners are on track to achieve their goals. Learners can enter or leave the programme at any point according to their individual aspirations and needs.

Learners will take part in a range of activities including:
• Practical sessions
• Classroom sessions
• Educational trips and visits
• Work related activities
• Enrichment programme

Areas of study available include:
• Introduction to Creative Arts & Wellbeing (Entry 2)
• Construction (Entry 3)
• Art, Design & Media (Entry 3, Level 1)
• Performing Arts (Entry 3, Level 1 and Foundation Level 2)

For more information please contact a member of the Transition Team to book an appointment on 01772 22 53 89 or email transition@preston.ac.uk

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
Pastoral Support at Preston’s College is a programme of personal and social development that is focused on helping you to achieve your qualifications, raise your aspirations, self-esteem and ultimately help you to achieve your full potential.

Pastoral support is the general support mechanism by which you will receive assistance and guidance. You will be assigned a Student Manager/Nominated Tutor who will monitor and support your progress and will provide access to the appropriate personal, social and career education to assist you to be the best that you can be.

Our programme of workshops and briefings seek to focus on specific items to support learners in being successful at College and beyond. There are four key elements to the programme:

1. Pastoral Support – Help with queries, problems and referrals. Your Student Manager/Nominated Tutor will liaise with support staff including Counsellors, Careers Advisers and Welfare staff on your behalf.

2. Curriculum Support – Monitor your progress, set targets, arrange support, co-ordinate initial assessment and get help with your portfolio or file management. Your Student Managers/Nominated Tutors will liaise with SEND (Special educational and disability team) in order to ensure you succeed.

3. Social Development – Work with your Student Manager/Nominated Tutors to improve your self-esteem, build friendships, practise and develop communication and teamwork skills, understand values including individual liberty, democracy, rule of law, mutual respect and respect of faith as well as Prevent & Safeguarding.

4. Personal Development – Student Managers/Nominated Tutors will support you to develop your career planning skills and study techniques (including research skills) alongside work experience and preparing you for progression.
LEARNER VOICE

As a college we are constantly trying to improve the services that we provide for all our learners. We take your views very seriously and the feedback you provide enables us to improve the quality of your overall learning experience. We use a number of methods to collect feedback from our learners including online surveys, questionnaires and focus groups.

LEARNER VOICE GROUPS
There are over 200 student representatives in College. Each department has its own Learner Voice group who meet regularly to discuss course related issues affecting their experience in College. Each course will elect two students to represent their group at school meetings. If you are successful in being elected as a School Learner Voice representative you can apply to represent your department on the Student Council. This group is made up of learners from across college.

STUDENT GOVERNORS
The role of our Student Governor is a very prestigious and important one. Each year the Student body elects two governors (16-18 and Adult). Student Governors attend meetings with the College Principal, Senior College Managers and the Board of Governors to represent the views of all learners in College.

YOU SAID
Food is too expensive.

WE DID
Meal deals are now available.

YOU SAID
The College day was too long ending at 4.30pm.

WE DID
In 19/20, the College day will end at 4.15pm.

YOU SAID
The lunch queues are too long.

WE DID
New outlet, ‘Food on the Go’ opened offering a grab and go service.

YOU SAID
We want a dedicated HE (Higher Education) study space.

WE DID
There are now dedicated Learning Zones, Study Spaces, Classrooms and Common Room for all HE learners.

YOU SAID
The Wi-Fi signal across college is not strong enough.

WE DID
Additional booster points installed to enable greater access.

YOU SAID
IT Classrooms need updates to furniture and layouts to make learning more accessible.

WE DID
Layouts to ICT rooms in both Hirst and Tate have been adjusted.

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
PROGRESSION & LIFE AFTER COLLEGE

It’s never too early to start thinking about where you’d like to go after you complete your college course. You may choose to progress to a higher level of study at Preston’s College, start an apprenticeship or start work full-time.

During your time at college there will be lots of opportunities for you to explore your career options through careers fairs, advice events and university open days/visits. As you approach the end of your course you will meet with your Student Manager/Nominated Tutor to discuss your next steps.

The Preston’s College Careers Service is also on hand to provide you with advice and guidance on your options. To access the service, you can either drop in or book an appointment with one of our Careers Advisors (we’re based on the College High Street). Alternatively contact us via guidance@preston.ac.uk

HIGHER EDUCATION AT PRESTON’S COLLEGE

Upon completion of your course at Preston’s College, you will have the opportunity to stay at College and complete a higher level qualification, such as a degree, with us.

We offer a range of HNCs, HNDs, Foundation degrees and BA (Hons) (Top-Up) degrees, with many of the qualifications available on either a full-time or part-time basis.

All of our higher level courses are awarded by either University of Central Lancashire (UCLan) or the University of Derby, but studied right here, in Preston.

Some of the benefits of staying at Preston’s College to study for your degree include:

• Competitive tuition fees - our fees are typically much lower than bigger universities
• State-of-the-art facilities, including a dedicated Higher Education Centre
• Industry experienced lecturers
• Courses that have been designed alongside employers
• Qualifications awarded by the University of Derby and the University of Central Lancashire
Preston’s College offers heavily subsidised Preston Bus, Stagecoach and Transdev bus passes for the local area.

The following buses are direct – this means that they drop off and pick up from the Fulwood Campus.

- 125C Chorley
- 61C Wrea Green (via Kirkham)
- 40A Lancaster
- 59C Blackburn
- 68C Blackpool

Other bus routes go via Preston Bus station, where learners can catch the 4 or 4C bus to college. Preston Bus also provide a number of services which run regularly in close proximity to the College. These services include 19, 23 and 88.

Preston Bus timetables and routes can be found at [www.prestonbus.co.uk](http://www.prestonbus.co.uk)

Stagecoach bus timetables and routes can be found at [www.stagecoachbus.com](http://www.stagecoachbus.com)

Cost to 16-18 year old full-time learners only

The subsidised cost of the bus passes for 2019/20 are as below, and are dependent on the learner’s home address and Bus Company operating area.

**Service cost to learner per term**

- Preston Bus £55
- Stagecoach Citirider £55
- Stagecoach Central Lancs Zone £85
- Stagecoach Goldrider £115
- Transdev Advantage £115

Replacement bus passes cost £25. Only one replacement can be issued per academic year.

For the latest information for the 2020/21 academic year please contact Student Services. Prices are usually published in May.
The College also provides bus passes for the following routes:

**Stagecoach: 280**
- Covers Preston to Skipton via Whalley and Clitheroe

**Transdev: 152**
- Burnley - Blackburn - Preston via Padiham, Clayton-le-Moors and Feniscowles

Indirect Services to Preston’s College via Preston Bus Station:

1. Longridge to Preston
2. Southport to Preston
2A. Ormskirk to Preston
4. Chipping to Preston
109. Chorley to Preston
111. Leyland to Preston
113. Wigan to Preston

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
HOW TO APPLY
3 SIMPLE STEPS

STEP 1: APPLY
Complete an application form online at www.preston.ac.uk/apply by Thursday 30th April 2020.

Things you need...
• Your course choices
• Your predicted grades (include English Language and Maths and your next best five grades)
• If you are applying for a Level 3 course, you may also want to apply for a Gifted & Talented Scholarship. Find out more about scholarships on Page 9.

STEP 2: INTERVIEW
After submitting your application, we will get in touch with you directly to arrange an interview at the College or, in some cases, at your school. Your interview will be carried out by a fully qualified careers advisors or by a course tutor. At your interview you can:

• Discuss your course choice
• Explore your career options
• Plan your career
• Ask questions about your course

STEP 3: ENROL
Once you get your results in August you should bring them into college and complete your enrolment. Before enrolment, you’ll receive an enrolment pack telling you when enrolment is and what you need to bring on the big day. After you enrol, you’ll get your timetable and we’ll see you on your first day of college.

T: 01772 22 55 22    E: info@preston.ac.uk
@prestoncollege    /prestoncollege
OPEN EVENTS

Tuesday 1st October
4.00pm - 7.30pm

Saturday 2nd November
10.00am - 2.00pm

Wednesday 11th March
4.00pm - 7.30pm

For more information visit www.preston.ac.uk
SAFEGUARDING PROCEDURES
Preston’s College recognises that its staff have a legal and moral duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of its students, and to provide a safe and secure environment in which they can study and achieve their potential. This includes our obligation under the Prevent Duty (Sept 2015) to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism. The College has a Safeguarding and Prevent Policy, together with a comprehensive set of guidelines, which outline how we will fulfil this duty and ensure that the welfare of the young person is always placed at the centre of our activities. A copy of the current policy and procedures are available from the Designated Safeguarding Lead.

EQUALITY & DIVERSITY
Preston’s College is proud of the inclusive nature of its intake, which reflects the city’s growing diversity and population change. We celebrate and support diversity and do not discriminate against any group.

DISCLOSURE
The details in this prospectus were correct at the time of print. Preston’s College, however, reserves the right to alter the information contained in this publication. Classes will run subject to sufficient numbers.

For more information on our policies please visit www.preston.ac.uk

This publication is available in large print, Braille, audio or other languages upon request. If you know of someone who would like to study a course at Preston’s College but their first language is not English, please contact the Advice Centre on 01772 22 55 22 for them to discuss the options available.
REASONS TO CHOOSE PRESTON’S COLLEGE

- **9th**
  Ranked 9th nationally for results*

- **Work experience**
  to make you the most employable

- **Thousands of links**
  with local employers

- **Rated ‘GOOD’**
  by Ofsted

- **Enrichment opportunities**
  including international trips

- **State-of-the-art facilities**

*Data from the Qualification Achievement Rates table for General FE Colleges in 2017/18
IF YOU DIDN'T FIND THE COURSE YOU WERE LOOKING FOR, PLEASE GET IN TOUCH AND LET US KNOW. REMEMBER, TO VISIT THE WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST COURSE INFORMATION.