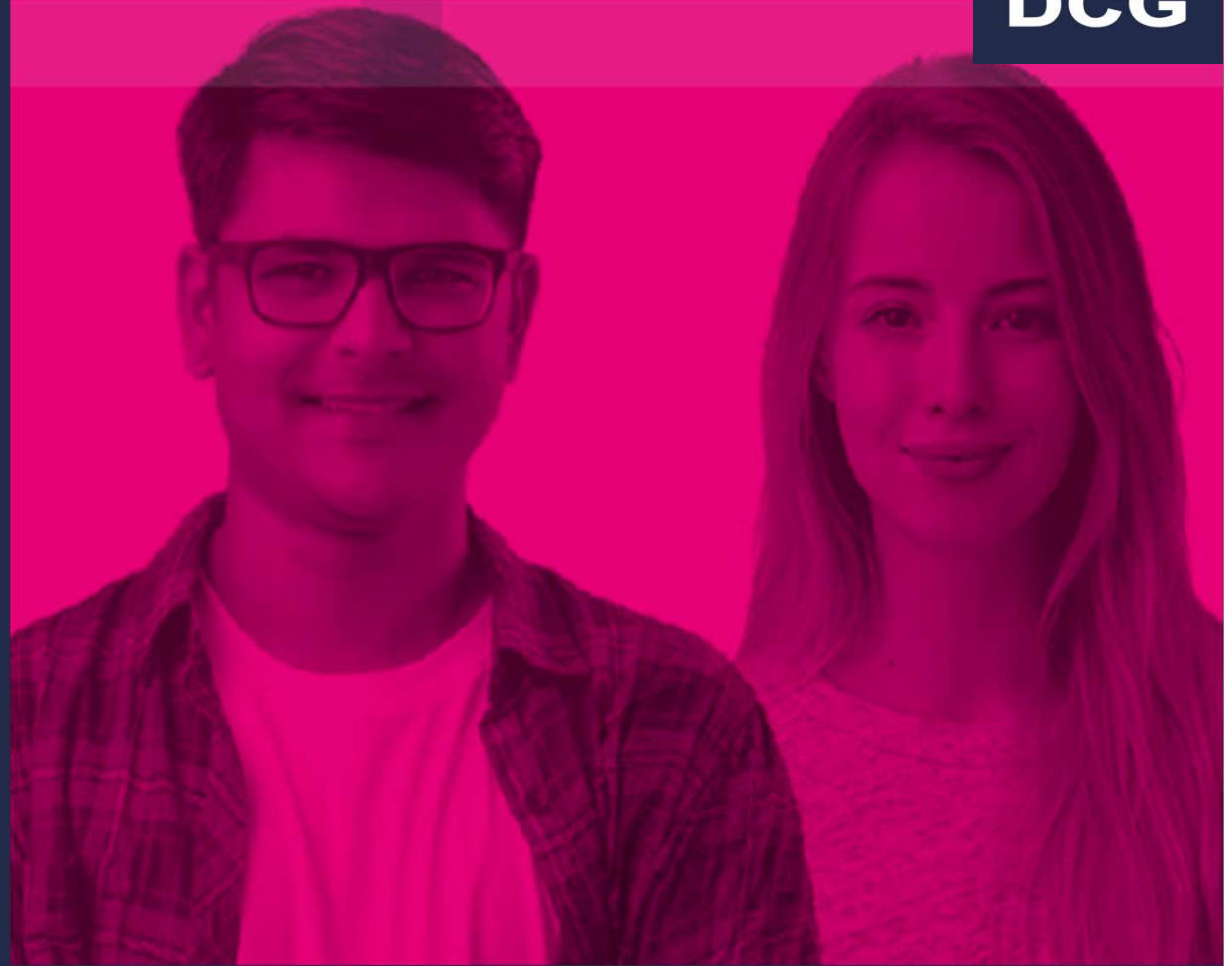


DERBY COLLEGE GROUP

Opportunities for
school leavers





At Derby College, young people between the ages of 16-18 can access:

- A full-time academic programme (3-4 A Levels/a Level 3 Certificate)
- A full-time vocational programme (T Level, BTEC, Diploma, NVQ)
- An apprenticeship

We have three sites that offer full-time courses for school leavers:

- Joseph Wright Centre
- The Roundhouse
- Broomfield Hall



Apprentices may also study at one of these colleges one day a week, at Ilkeston College or be assessed entirely in the workplace instead.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

e.g. A Levels, Level 3 Extended Diploma

- Linear programmes taken over two full years
- Level 3 qualifications
- Pick 3 or 4 subjects



The Joseph Wright Centre

Cathedral Road, Derby, DE1 3PA



A Levels

- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- English Language
- English Literature
- Film Studies
- Fine Art
- French
- Geography
- Geology
- History
- Law
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Physics
- Politics
- Psychology
- Religion, Philosophy and Ethics
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Textile Design

Level 3 Certificates/Diplomas

- Applied Criminology
- Applied Law
- Applied Psychology
- Applied Science
- Certificate in Mathematical Studies (Core Maths)
- Extended Project Qualification
- Music Performance
- Sport and Exercise Science



VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL OPPORTUNITIES

E.G. T/LEVELS, BTECS, DIPLOMAS, NVQS

- Usually more practical
- Pick one to subject to specialise in
- Offered at different levels e.g. Entry 3, Level 1, Level 2 or Level 3 for school leavers





The Joseph Wright Centre

Cathedral Road, Derby, DE1 3PA

- Art & Design
- Creative Media
- IT, Computer Science & Digital
- Digital Multimedia
- Games Design & Esports
- Music
- Performing Arts
- Retail
- Science





The Roundhouse

Pride Park, DE24 8JE



- Accounting
- Beauty
- Business
- Childcare
- Construction:
 - Brickwork
 - Carpentry & Joinery
 - Electrical Installation
 - Painting & Decorating
 - Plastering
 - Plumbing & Gas Training
- Engineering
- Hair
- Health & Social Care
- Motor Vehicle
- Professional Construction
- Travel & Tourism + Cabin Crew





Broomfield Hall

Morley, DE7 6DN



- Agriculture
- Animal Care
- Arboriculture
- Conservation & Countryside
- Equine
- Floristry
- Horticulture
- Public Services
- Sport





T-LEVELS

THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION



Looking for a different and new study option after completing your GCSEs?
Welcome to the exciting world of t levels.

- Mix practical and academic
 - Pick one to subject to specialise in
 - Level 3 only (equivalent to 3 A levels)
 - Developed with industry in skills-shortage areas
 - 45 day industry placement
 - Across all 3 sites
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- Animal Care and Management
 - Construction: Design, Surveying and Planning
 - Construction: Building Services
 - Creative and Design: Media, Broadcast and Production
 - Digital Production, Design and Development
 - Digital Support Services
 - Education and Childcare
 - Engineering and Manufacturing: Design and Development
 - Health
 - Legal, Finance and Accounting
 - Management and Administration
 - Sales, Marketing and procurement
 - Science

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS FOR 16-18 YEAR OLDS



Inclusion Curriculum

A personalised pathway for young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) to develop key life skills in preparation for their next steps. There are 4 key pathways:

- **Pathway to Independence**
- **Pathway to Further Learning**
- **Pathway to a Vocation**
- **Aspire**

STEPS

STEPS is a one-year course that works on developing key skills like resilience, communication, teamwork and confidence.

You will have sessions with a Youth Worker, allowing you to gain transferable skills and set personal targets and goals to help with your progression to your next step. Youth workers will help you achieve your targets and encourage you to try new things.



Routes

The Routes programme is designed to equip students with the skills, knowledge and behaviours needed to progress into their chosen vocational career path or help those still unsure to discover the right route for them.

There are 5 main strands to pick from:
Routes into Construction – Painting and Decorating, Joinery, Plastering and Brick work.

Routes into Care – Early Years and Health and Social Care

Routes into Automotive

Routes into Engineering

Routes into Vocational Studies



LEXIS

The Introduction to Lexis programme is a full-time programme for 16 to 18-year-old students whose first language is not English.

The programme also welcomes ESOL students who have been unable to obtain formal qualifications while at school.

GCSE Plus

This programme is invaluable for students looking to improve their grade profile for progression to Level 3 courses.

The programme is also for students with few or no qualifications who may have been home-schooled, may have studied overseas or may have missed school or exams for valid reasons.

The typical grade profile for a student taking this route is predominantly 3s and 4s.



EARN AS YOU LEARN **APPRENTICESHIPS** WITH DCG



- Work based learning – one day at College, four days on the job
- Pick an industry to specialise in
- Offered at different levels - Level 2 or Level 3 for school leavers
- Get paid to learn - £7.55 per hour as a minimum

Mostly you find the job and we provide the learning.
We advertise the opportunities we have.
We support to link employers to students.



Applying and Enrolling at DCG



26/27 Application and Enrolment



APPLY



Apply online at Derby-college.ac.uk

Must have your own email address and not a school one. This is our main way of talking to you.

This will create an InTouch account. This is where you can manage your applications.

INTERVIEW QUESTIONS



If you apply for a vocational course you will be asked to answer interview questions in your InTouch.

These must be answered within 14 days in order to be invited to interview.

CONFIRM INTERVIEW ATTENDANCE



You will be sent a time to come in or have a phone interview. You must confirm you are attending on your InTouch account.

ATTEND INTERVIEW



An interview is a chance for us to get to know you and see why you want to do the course you've applied for.

ACCEPT OFFER



If successful, you must accept your offer on InTouch. This will be sent to you within 24 hours.

This is vital.

ENROLMENT



Enrolment is when you officially become a member of the College.

You will need to attend the College on your given Enrolment slot when we can confirm your grades and your place on your course.

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PERSONAL STATEMENT



If you apply for A Levels, you must confirm your predicted grades and will be asked to write a personal statement on your InTouch.

This must be done before you will be offered to book on to tasters.

BOOK A LEVEL TASTERS



You will be sent a link to book on to your Taster Evening where you can experience lessons in your chosen subjects.

ATTEND TASTER



A good opportunity to meet your potential teachers, explore the college and the subjects you'll be taking.

ACCEPT OFFER



If successful based on your personal statement, predicted grades and attendance at Taster, you must accept your offer on InTouch.

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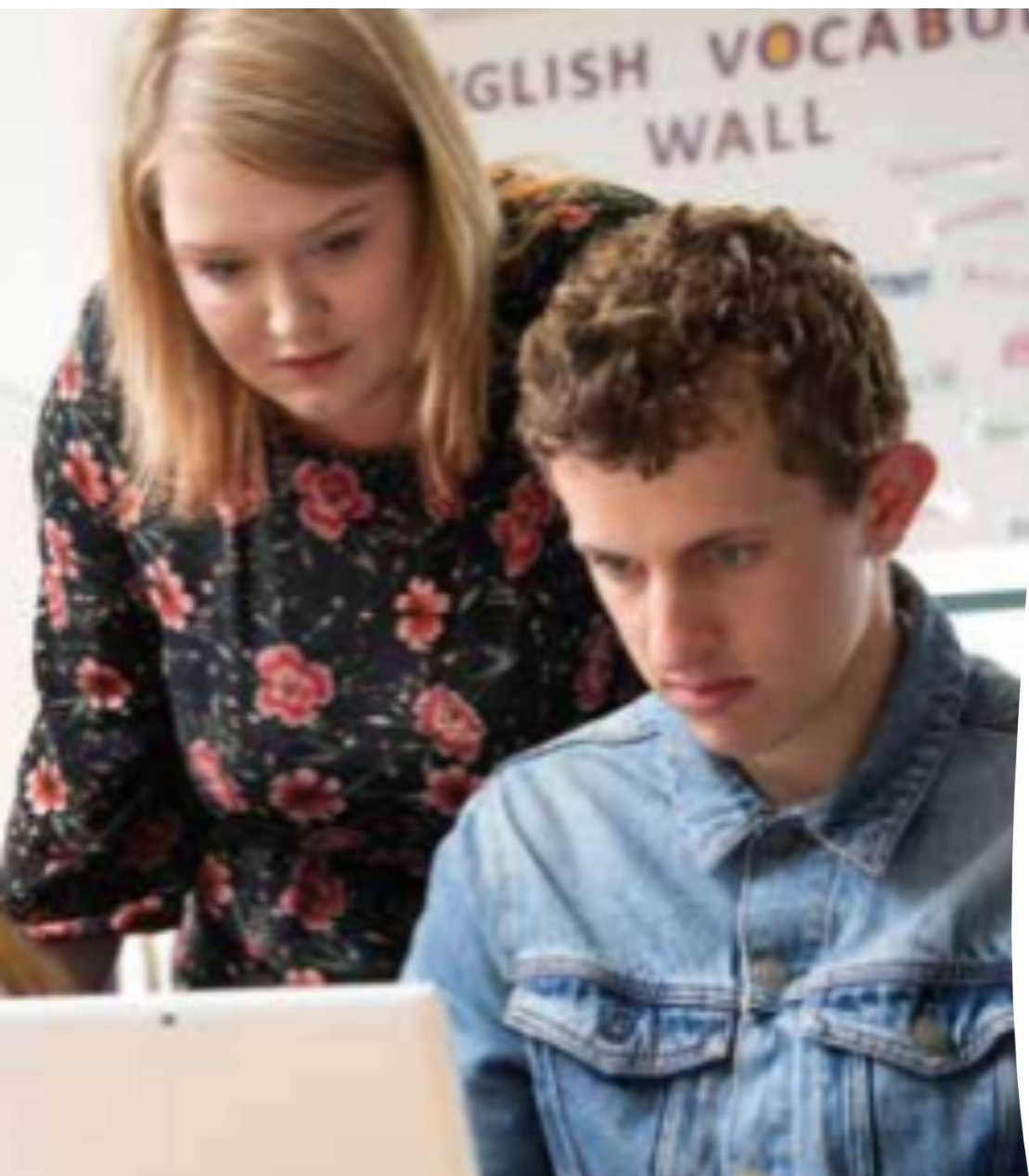


- If you change email or home address during the academic year, make sure to let us know.
- This year, there will be course closures based on when they become full. Once we have hit this point you will be added to a waiting list. You will be made aware of this if this is the case.
- We will be stressing that you need to accept your offer within 14 working days. If this is not accepted, you will not keep this offer. You can do this via your InTouch account.
- You will be asked to come in and enrol face to face, the week of GCSE results day. You will receive a date for this. Do not book holidays for GCSE results day and beyond (20th August 2026).
- You must bring your GCSE results with you to Enrolment. It is vital you collect them from school on results day.
- Your offer is based on you achieving the results that are on the entry requirements. Should you not achieve those results, there will be a Referral day (Monday 24th of August) where students are invited in and may see what other options are available. This is no guarantee to a space at DCG.
- If you have made multiple applications, you will be asked to pick a first and second choice. You will only be invited into your first choice for enrolment. If you change your mind, we cannot guarantee your second choice.

*These are subject to residency, criminal conviction and EHCP status.

**WHAT EXTRA
SUPPORT IS
AVAILABLE?**





LEARNING SUPPORT SERVICES

- Support at interview (if requested at application)
- Support planning to establish what we need to do
- In-class support
- Mobility support
- Note taking
- Communication support
- Wellbeing / resilience support
- Modification of learning materials e.g. into braille
- Personal care
- Exam access arrangements
- Base rooms / Inclusion Trainers
- Specialist resources and equipment e.g. laptops with specialist software, Dictaphones, livescribe pens etc.



SUPPORT SERVICES

STUDENT EXPERIENCE AND PASTORAL COACH

Our Student Experience and Pastoral Coaches are dedicated members of staff who will support you in your time with us at the college. If you need pastoral or academic support, you can contact your Pastoral Coach at any point during your time at the college. The coaching scheme operates on a one-to-one basis or in small groups and is designed to help identify and remove any barriers that might be stopping you from reaching your maximum potential. Your Pastoral Coach offers support with study skills, motivation, and time management techniques, and they are committed to helping you overcome any issues you might encounter on the path to successful completion of your course. Your Pastoral Coach will support and motivate you to reach your potential by increasing your confidence and motivation.

STUDENT FINANCIAL SUPPORT TEAM

If you are experiencing financial barriers to accessing your education such as costs associated with travel, meals, kit and equipment, you may be eligible for a student bursary. There are 2 levels of bursary that you might be able to access based on your household income or personal circumstances.

**HOW CAN
YOU FIND
OUT MORE?**



COME ALONG TO AN OPEN DAY

REGISTER ONLINE FOR THE EVENTS YOU WANT TO ATTEND



JOSEPH WRIGHT CENTRE

Thursday 22nd October

Thursday 4th February

BROOMFIELD HALL

Wednesday 21st October

Wednesday 24th February

Saturday 12th June (9am-12pm)

ROUNDHOUSE

Thursday 15th October

Thursday 12th November

Thursday 11th February

OPEN
DAYS



www.derby-college.ac.uk/events



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