

Continuing Studies

Continuing studies courses are for those with learning difficulties and/or disabilities or those who have mental health problems.

We offer a friendly, exciting environment where basic and life skills are taught.

Every learner is invited for an initial interview and an individual learning programme is arranged. Additional support needs are also identified at the interview to enable the learner to successfully complete their course.

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Kathryn Wills,
Learning for Living Programme



Through the Learning for Living Programme Kathryn has not only developed her personal skills, learning about equality and diversity through visits to the Leicester Tigers Rugby Stadium, Leicester Cathedral and Jain Religion Centre, but also received work training and learning how to use computers to sell items on ebay. Kathryn has progressed so well that she is a team leader in her ebay group and helps to encourage her fellow learners in enrichment group sessions. She has been asked to be a Student Representative for her subject area next year.

Kathryn said: "I've enjoyed learning how to sell items on ebay and help others. I'm making friends and I like going to College."



P.M.L.D. Transition Course

Location: Frith Further Education Unit
Course Code: A0755
Course Length: One/Three Years
Qualification Level: Pre-entry

What's it all about?

A full time programme for young adults with profound complex needs.

What does it involve?

The curriculum increases social and emotional intelligence through relevant sensory and practical activities. You will undergo an intensive initial assessment, which will inform a personalised programme of study. The curriculum will focus on the following sensory and practical areas:

- creative studies
- exploring the environment
- personal and social development
- my community
- citizenship.

Are there exams?

No, assessment is continuous.

What entry qualifications do I need?

There are no formal qualifications needed but staff from the programme will work with you during your last year at school as part of the transition process.

What can I do afterwards?

You will be able to progress onto the Moving On part-time programme, which will support you to discover pathways for future development. You will access services within adult social care.

What days and times will I be in College?

16 hours per week over 36 weeks.

Are there any other things I need to know?

You will be required to take part in external activities as part of your learning programme. There may be some additional charges for this.

Transition into Further Education

Location: Abbey Park Campus
Course Code: A0364
Course Length: One Year
Qualification Level: Entry

What's it all about?

The course is for learners with moderate learning difficulties who feel they would like to learn in a supported environment before moving onto mainstream programmes.

What does it involve?

It provides basic skills in practical, classroom and workshop settings. The course also involves group work, outside visits, careers advice and practical work experience. The majority age group of the learners is 16 to 22.

Are there exams?

No, assessment is continuous.

What entry qualifications do I need?

No formal qualifications are needed.

What can I do afterwards?

City and Guilds Award in Employability, Project Search and foundation/vocational courses. You will be able to move onto the next level programme within Leicester College which will help you prepare for employment.

What days and times will I be in College?

16 hours per week over 36 weeks.



Award in Employability and Personal Development

Location: Abbey Park Campus
Course Code: A7436
Course Length: One Year
Qualification Level: Entry

What's it all about?

We offer you the opportunity to develop both work skills and life skills. You work on the skills that are needed for both independent living and to gain either voluntary or paid employment.

What does it involve?

Through work skills you will have the opportunity to improve your knowledge in areas such as interview skills, communication in the work place, working to and meeting deadlines. You will also take part in a work experience programme.

Through Life Skills you will have the opportunity to improve the skills necessary for independent living. Healthy living and personal finance are covered as well as activities aimed at encouraging you to become more assertive and confident.

Are there exams?

No, assessment is continuous.

What entry qualifications do I need?

You must have the desire to train for work.

What can I do afterwards?

You can usually progress on to the Project Search UK – Leicester course at Abbey Park Campus. It is anticipated that you will gain either voluntary or supported employment.

What days and times will I be in College?

20 hours a week, over 36 weeks, Monday to Friday.

Are there any other things I need to know?

Enrichment activities include residentials, ICT, cooking and sport.

Project Search UK – Leicester

Location: Abbey Park Campus
Course Code: A6211
Course Length: One Year
Qualification Level: Entry

What's it all about?

It is designed for learners with learning disabilities to move into employment. You will gain the skills needed to work in areas such as caring professions, administration, catering, parks departments, museums and various departments in local hospitals.

What does it involve?

You will complete up to four job trial rotations of 12 weeks. The rotations will take place in a variety of areas within Leicester City Council and University Hospitals, Leicester.

You will be supported by a job coach and tutor and you will work on the skills you need to obtain employment. At the end of the course you will have experience and skills that will help you to apply for work. Remploy will then support you in your search for work.

Are there exams?

No, assessment is continuous.

What entry qualifications do I need?

You must have the desire to train for work.

What can I do afterwards?

It is expected that on completion you will progress into employment supported by Remploy.

What days and times will I be in College?

16 hours a week, over 36 weeks, Monday to Friday.

Are there any other things I need to know?

You will be expected to have tutorials at the College and work at Leicester City Council. Some additional trips may be organised but there are no residentials on the programme. Some costs may be incurred during the programme but you will be informed at the time.



Learning for Living Programme

Location: Freeman's Park Campus
Course Code: A7465
Course Length: One Year
Qualification Level: Entry

What's it all about?

You will have the opportunity to follow a personalised programme and study subjects linked to your needs and future aspirations.

What does it involve?

You will have the opportunity to work on skills linked to the following areas:

- personal development eg relationships, citizenship
- independent living skills eg cooking, budgeting, travel training
- work training such as Office skills City & Guilds, cooking, car valeting
- enterprise subjects eg horticulture, woodwork.

Are there exams?

No, assessment is continuous.

What entry qualifications do I need?

No formal qualifications.

What can I do afterwards?

You will have the opportunity to progress onto other programmes within the College but this will be determined by your future aspirations. You may progress into sheltered or paid employment or into independent/ supported living.

What days and times will I be in College?

Up to 20 hours a week, over 36 weeks, 9am to 4pm.

Are there any other things I need to know?

There may be external trips depending on subjects followed, for example, you are given the opportunity to take part in a week residential trip. The course also includes trips out into the local and wider community. There may be some additional costs depending on choice of subjects.

Leicester College Work Project

Location: Abbey Park Campus
Course Code: A6211
Course Length: One Year
Qualification Level: Entry

What's it all about?

This course is work focused. You will be expected to take part in job rotations with Leicester College. Each rotation will work on specific work skills.

What does it involve?

You will work on skills to help you develop your employability. This will help you to apply for work, understand the interview process, and other skills that are needed for work. You will also work on your personal development which will be linked to an individual learning plan.

Are there exams?

No, assessment is continuous.

What entry qualifications do I need?

You need to be working at Entry level and have a desire to work.

What can I do afterwards?

This course will give you the skills to seek paid or voluntary work.

What days and times will I be in College?

16 hours a week, over 37 weeks, Monday to Friday.

Are there any other things I need to know?

Employment related visits.

