YOUR CAREER COLLEGE

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WHY CHOOSE US? CAREERS NOT COURSES!



Warrington's **leading provider** of technical education and skills training.

Outstanding facilities!

Recent investment of over £13 million.

Exceeding the national average.

Over 90% of our level 3 students secure employment, an apprenticeship or progress into education after their course.

Collaborating with over 500 organisations.

For placements, live briefs, competitions and more.

Consistently over **90%** in **student satisfaction** surveys.

Top 10 FE College in England.

For apprenticeship training.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT COURSE FOR YOU

With so many courses to choose from, deciding what to study can be a difficult process. Here are some things to consider...

 Think about your strongest school subjects and which you enjoy the most.

What is your personality like? (Caring, energetic, artistic)

 Think about your style of learning. Do you prefer a more hands-on and practical approach?

 This is your life. Try not to follow your friends, and remember to make your own decisions.



WHAT WE OFFER

TECHNICAL COURSES

Practical, hands-on qualifications relating to a specific job or career sector. These are a good option if you have a clear idea of what type of industry or trade you'd like to work in.

T Levels are a new qualification and an alternative to A Levels. You will spend 80% of the course in the classroom and 20% completing a meaningful industry placement.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships allow you to work and study at the same time.

You will combine practical training in your workplace with studying at college – **earning whilst you learn.**



TECHNICAL COURSES

- Acting & Musical Theatre
- Art & Design
- Bricklaying
- Carpentry & Joinery
- Creative & Digital Media
- Dance
- Digital & IT
- Early Years
- Electrical Installation
- Engineering
- Esports
- Fashion Innovation

- Games Design
- Graphic Design
- Hairdressing
- Health & Social Care
- Hospitality & Catering
- Military & Emergency Services
- Motor Vehicle
- Plumbing
- Sport
- Travel & Tourism
- Vocational Studies



T LEVELS

- Accountancy
- Business
- Construction & Construction Trades
- Digital & IT
- Early Years
- Engineering & Manufacturing

- Health NEW!
- Healthcare Science
- Marketing NEW!
- Media NEW!
- Science

T LEVEL FOUNDATION YEAR

- Business & Administration
- Construction, Design, Surveying & Planning
- Early Years
- Health & Science



APPRENTICESHIPS

- Accounting
- Adult Care Worker
- Bricklaying
- Business
- Carpentry & Joinery
- Customer Services
- Data Technician
- Early Years Practitioner
- Electrical Installation

- Engineering & Manufacturing
- Hairdressing
- Human Resources
- ICT
- Laboratory Technician
- Motor Vehicle
- Multi-Channel Marketing
- Plumbing & Heating
- Science Manufacturing Technician

It's a match!

Did you know that we have our very own apprenticeship matching service? apprenticeships@wvr.ac.uk





Name: Alex Petrus, Liam Whitfield and Jack Hewitt Course: Level 2 Motor Vehicle Maintenance

Destination: Apprenticeship with Mercedes Benz

specialists, MB-Tech.

OUR CAMPUSES

WARRINGTON CAMPUS

Our Warrington campus houses industry-standard facilities, including **The Academy** Hair Salon, fully-equipped **construction and engineering workshops**, an industry-standard **mechanics garage**, our award-winning restaurant **Buckley's**, modern science labs, an onsite gym and an impressive 160-seat **theatre**.

WINSFORD CAMPUS

Big things are happening here! Our Winsford campus is home to a brand-new **Institute of Technology (IoT)**, complete with specialist science laboratories and health facilities!





INVESTING IN EXCELLENCE

Warrington campus





- Purpose-built TV studio and green screen room
- Renovated dance studio and 160-seat theatre with backstage area, box office, sprung floors and highspec lighting rigs
- Virtual reality (VR), virtual effects (VFX) and robotics.





Advanced Manufacturing & Engineering Academy

- Dedicated engineering labs, workshops and CAD suite
- Welding bays, CNC machines and Colchester lathes
- Innovative robotics and mechatronics facilities.





Business & Professional Academy

- Bustling hub for students and local employers
- Bright and modern classrooms, meeting rooms, and pods for individual learning.





Construction & Civil Engineering Academu

- Green Technology Hub committed to sustainable skills training
- Industry-leading technology including 3D printers, virtual reality (VR) and surveying equipment.





- Simulation hospital ward and industry-standard health & social care equipment
- Purpose-built independent living flat
- Modern, vibrant nursery classrooms.

INDUSTRY-EXPERT TUTORS

All of our tutors have impressive **industry experience** and are passionate about their subject, bringing a wealth of current **skills and knowledge** to their teaching.

- Award-winning filmmaker and Creative & Digital Media tutor Simon Lovell (pictured right) has worked on a variety of high-profile TV broadcasts as a camera operator, including for the Premier League, Glastonbury and Creamfields.
- Dance tutor Shannen Stocks was recently awarded the International Dance Teachers' Association's Medalist of the Year, and has been crowned the World Dance Council's European Vice Champion!
- Fashion Innovation tutor Rebecca Bennett has had a stellar career and travelled the world as a fashion technologist. She has worked with major sports brands, including Adidas, using her expertise to develop football kits for the Premier League, Bundesliga and La Liga.



Name: Simon Lovell Course: Creative & Digital Media Tutor



Name: Shannen Stocks Course: Dance Tutor

EMPLOYER LINKS Judge us by the companies we keep

Students benefit from working with lots of **high-profile employers**. This year, hundreds of students participated in industry placements, sponsored skills competitions, and undertook live briefs as part of their assessments.

- Graphic Design students teamed up with Warrington Town Hall to created an illustrated book, which is now on sale at the Town Hall and Warrington Museum.
- Performing Arts students have recently showcased their talents in workshops with Disney, the English National Ballet and an exciting project with Eurovision Song Contest.
- Sport students collaborate with Warrington Schools Sport Partnership (WaSSP).
- **Construction** trades students have worked on a live brief with Robertson Group to conceptualise a sustainable sport and health leisure facility.





























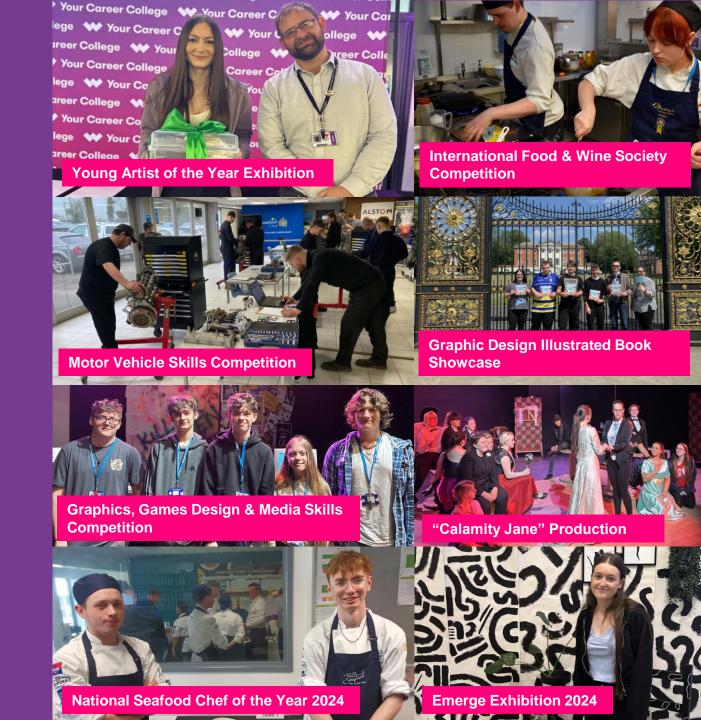




COMPETITIONS, SHOWCASES AND EXHIBITONS

We're proud of our students' achievements and encourage them to share their skills and successes.

Our students take part in college productions, cross-college and national competitions, and showcase their work in local exhibitions.

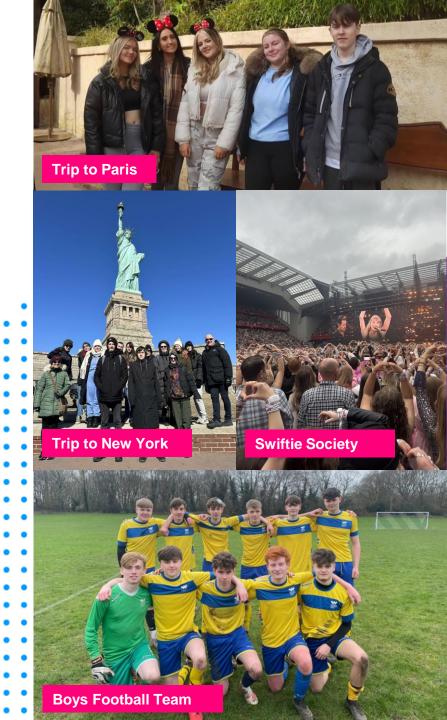


WHERE YOU HAVE FUN

It's not all work and no play!

There's so much to discover in addition to your exciting new course.

- ★ Trips & travel
- Enrichment
- ******* Clubs & societies
- Volunteering opportunities
- Student Ambassadors
- Sporting activities
- Guest Speakers
- Themed events & fundraising
- **Student Council**



GETTING TO COLLEGE

Travelling to college couldn't be easier!



WARRINGTON CAMPUS

Reserved for full-time 16–18-year-old students, our dedicated bus services transport students to and from our Warrington campus in time for their **FREE BREAKFAST** every morning!

WINSFORD CAMPUS

We offer a **FREE D&G** bus pass for full-time 16-18-year-old students studying at our Winsford campus who live more than one mile away.

WVR 1

Irlam, Glazebrook, Culcheth, Birchwood, Fearnhead, Padgate

WVR 2

Winsford, Weaverham, Hartford

WVR 3

Leigh, Lowton, Golborne, Ashton-in-Makerfield, Haydock, Newton-le-Willows

WVR 4

Widnes, Penketh, Great Sankey, Westbrook, Chapelford, Hood Manor, Bewsey

WVR 5

Northwich Bus Station, Barnton

WVR 6

Brookvale, Heath, Runcorn Old Town, Halton Lodge, Sandymoor, Latchford

WVR 7

Lymm, Thelwall, Grappenhall, Latchford

These bus services are accurate for 2024 – 2025 full-time students.

Buses for 2025 – 2026 are currently under review and subject to change.

DIGITAL PROSPECTUS

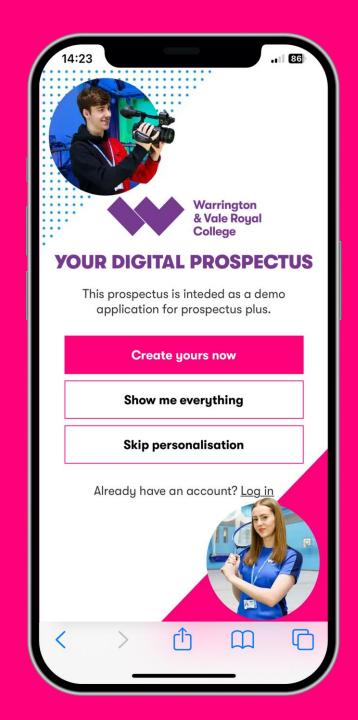
Not your average prospectus!

We're serious about climate change, our carbon footprint and our impact on future generations. That's why this year we've built a fully digital prospectus instead of a printed version.

Putting your future first, we have already saved a staggering 240 trees and over 2 million pieces of paper.

If we piled high the prospectuses that we've not printed this year alone, it would tower taller than the Statue of Liberty and Big Ben. That's even taller than 61 Taylor Swifts!





AIM HIGH ENTRY REQUIREMENTS*

*Specific entry requirements for each course may vary and can be found in our digital prospectus.

ENTRY LEVEL

No minimum grades required.

Everyday skills in reading and writing, basic literacy and numeracy skills and a willingness to learn.

LEVEL 1

Minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 2 or above.

LEVEL 2 & T LEVEL FOUNDATION YEAR

Minimum of 4 GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and/or English, or successful completion of a level 1 course.

If you have a GCSE grade 3 or lower in English and/or maths you will have to resit these qualifications alongside your course.

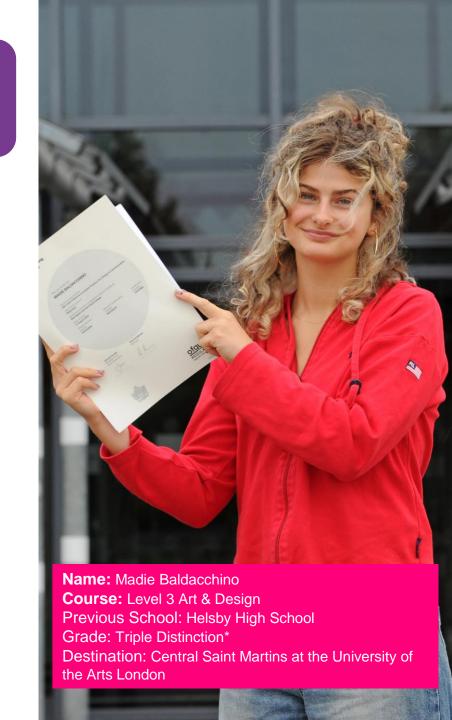
LEVEL 3

Minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and/or English, or successful completion of a level 2 course.

If you have a GCSE grade 3 or lower in English and/or maths you will have to resit these qualifications alongside your course.

TLEVELS

Minimum of 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths, English, and sometimes science or successful completion of a T Level foundation year course.



APPLYING TO COLLEGE

- Apply as early as possible online or fill out a paper application form.
- Attend an interview meet your college tutor and secure your conditional offer.
- **Explore** our campus at events Open Evenings, College Experience Evenings.
- Enrol onto your exciting new course on GCSE Results Day 21st August 2025!



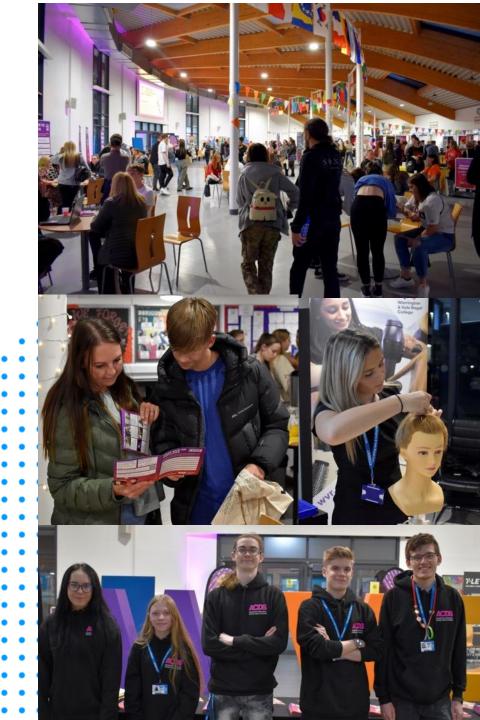
YEAR 11 OPEN EVENINGS

Warrington campus, 5.00pm - 8.00pm

- Wednesday 9th October
- Wednesday 6th November
- Wednesday 20th November

To attend you MUST register in advance at:

wvr.ac.uk/openevenings



"I felt really welcomed by the staff and after seeing the onsite restaurant, Buckley's, I was assured that this was the course for me!"



Any questions?

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