



**Rotherham** College  
**North Notts** College  
**Dearne Valley** College

**Mini Guide**

# Open Events

Explore your career choices

## Rotherham College

Town Centre Campus

**Saturday 18th January 2020**

10.00am-12.00pm

**Wednesday 4th March 2020**

3.30pm-6.30pm

Dinnington Campus

**Saturday 1st February 2020**

10.00am-12.00pm

## North Notts College

Worksop Campus

**Saturday 1st February 2020**

10.00am-12.00pm

Retford Post 16 Centre

**Thursday 23rd January 2020**

3.30pm-6.30pm

## Dearne Valley College

**Saturday 25th January 2020**

10.00am-12.00pm

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# Colleges in our Group

**RNN Group is an education and training provider that includes a number of Colleges and training organisations across the South Yorkshire and North Nottinghamshire region.**

**There are also a number of subsidiary organisations within the RNN Group.**

**For more information, please visit [www.rnngroup.co.uk](http://www.rnngroup.co.uk)**



**Rotherham College** has two campuses, based in Rotherham Town Centre and in Dinnington and has a dedicated Construction Centre.

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**North Notts College** is located in Worksop and delivers courses at the Retford Post 16 Centre.

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**Dearne Valley College** is located in Wath-upon-Dearne in Rotherham.

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**UCR** is our university centre located on Doncaster Gate, offering degrees in the heart of Rotherham.

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**RNN Training** works in partnership with the Colleges to deliver a wide range of apprenticeships and training from entry to degree level.

# What are my Course Options?

## Entry Level

Entry level qualifications can help learners to build skills, increase knowledge and boost confidence. They are suitable for a wide range of individuals including learners who may not have yet achieved GCSEs.

## Courses Levels 1-3

We have a wide range of courses that are tailored to each individual learner's needs to help each young person achieve their career aspirations, through working in a practical environment mirroring your chosen industry.

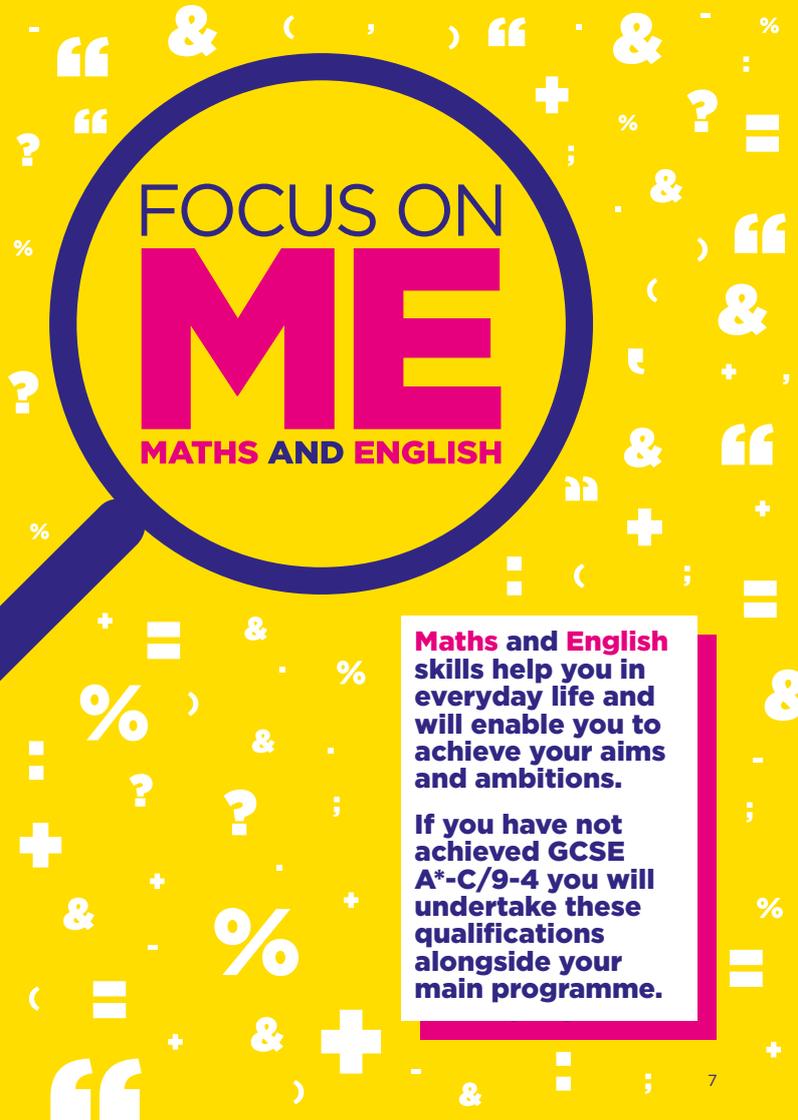
Our Level 3 courses are equivalent to UCAS points, giving you the opportunity to use your course as a stepping stone to a degree-level qualification at university.

Our qualifications are nationally recognised and our learner achievement rate is one of the highest in the region.

## Apprenticeships

If you choose to do an apprenticeship, as an apprentice you will be employed by a company and earn a wage while you learn, working alongside experienced staff to gain sector specific skills.

You will be supported by College throughout your apprenticeship, with the opportunity to build up experience and knowledge that will help you to work towards achieving a nationally recognised qualification.



FOCUS ON  
**ME**  
MATHS AND ENGLISH

**Maths and English skills help you in everyday life and will enable you to achieve your aims and ambitions.**

**If you have not achieved GCSE A\*-C/9-4 you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.**

# Routes To...

## Unsure what you want to do?

**We have launched a new range of 'Routes to...' Level 1 courses that will offer you the chance to try out a curriculum area to see if it is for you.**

These one year vocational programmes will allow you to specialise from Level 2 onwards.

There are no entry requirements, just a keen interest in exploring your chosen subject area.

Alongside your chosen vocational area you will also study English and maths and core units to develop your skills including personal development and employability.

## There are a range of 'Routes to...' Level 1 courses we offer across our various Colleges:

Animal Care and Land-based Studies

Art and Design Industries

Business, Retail and Travel

Care (Childcare)

Care (Health)

Computing

Construction

Digital (Computing and Games)

Hair, Beauty and Make-up

Hair and Beauty

Hospitality

Media and Photography

Motor Vehicle

Motor Vehicle (Body and Mechanics)

Performance Industries

Plastering, Joinery, Bricklaying

Plumbing

Site Carpentry/Bench Joinery

Sport and Public Services



# Rotherham College

## Town Centre Campus Courses

- Art and Design
- Business and Accounting
- Catering and Hospitality
- Childcare
- Computing and Digital
- Construction (Bricklaying, Joinery and Plumbing)

- Education
- Engineering
- English and Maths
- ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Languages
- Fashion
- Foundation Learning
- Games Animation
- Graphic Design
- Hair and Beauty
- Health and Social Care

- Media and Photography
- Media Make-up
- Music
- Performing Arts
- Science
- Sport\*
- Travel and Tourism

## Dinnington Campus Courses

- Animal Care
- Biology (GCSE)
- Construction
- Countryside Management
- English and Maths
- Foundation Learning
- Health and Science Professions (Access to HE)
- Horticulture
- Motor Vehicle

\*Delivered in partnership with Rotherham United Community Sports Trust

**“With the support of our tutors we developed advanced skills that gave us the step ahead at university.”**

**Helen Andrzejowska and Ellie Brown**

**Directors at Ocean Spark Studios**

Former Games Animation students at Rotherham College



**“I love coming to College and being able to work with unique animals that I would never get the chance to work with elsewhere.”**

**Lucy Cosgrove**

**Level 3 Animal Management Student**

Former student at Thrybergh Academy



# North Notts College

## Workshop Campus Courses

- Business and Accounting
- Childcare
- Computing and Digital
- Construction (Bricklaying, Electrical, Joinery and Plumbing)
- Counselling
- Education
- Engineering
- English and Maths
- ESOL – English for Speakers of Other Languages
- Foundation Learning
- Hair and Beauty
- Health and Social Care
- Motor Vehicle
- Public Services
- Sport

## Retford Post 16 Centre Courses

- Art and Design
- Hair and Media Make-up
- Performing Arts
- Sport

**“It’s great to get out of the school environment and learn from tutors who are all very patient and knowledgeable.”**

**Nicola White**

**Fitness Business Owner**

Former Level 3 Business student at North Notts College



**“For me, college was a gateway to university. I now get paid to do my hobby and love my job.”**

**Jody Stanton**

**Key Workshop Technician at Millenium FX**

Former Media Make-up student at Retford Post 16 Centre



# Dearne Valley College

## Courses

- Childcare
- Computing and Digital
- Construction  
(Plastering and Joinery)
- Counselling
- Education
- English and Maths
- Foundation Learning
- Hair and Beauty
- Health and Social Care
- Motor Vehicle
- Public Services
- Sport

## New Courses

**In September 2020 we are introducing new opportunities to study practical skills in Animal Care and Land-based.**

**“I chose to study at Dearne Valley College because of the dedicated sport facilities, friendly and relaxed environment and the great reputation for sport courses.”**

**Michael Blythe**

**Sport and Exercise Consultant**

Former Sport student  
at Dearne Valley College

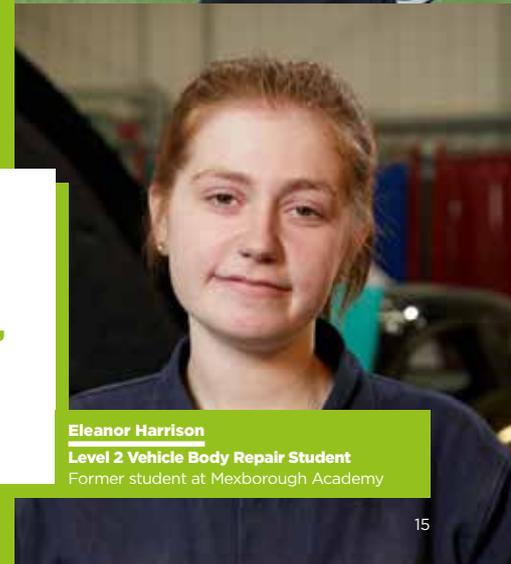


**“I get to learn lots of new skills in a realistic working environment, taught by tutors that always support me to progress.”**

**Eleanor Harrison**

**Level 2 Vehicle Body Repair Student**

Former student at Mexborough Academy



# Study Degrees Locally

You are able to carry on your journey with us right through to university-level courses delivered at our College campuses and at the new University Centre Rotherham.

## Degrees and other higher-level courses we offer:

- Accounting
- Animal Management
- Applied Justice and Social Sciences
- Art and Design
- Business and Management
- Childhood Studies
- Computing
- Construction
- Counselling
- Education (Teacher Training)
- Engineering
- Fine and Applied Art
- Games Design
- Graphic Design
- Health and Social Care
- Humanities
- Media and Photography
- Music
- Science
- Specialist Make-up
- Sport Science
- Theatrical, Acting and Performance
- Theatrical Fashion and Media Hair and Make-up
- Tourism and Hospitality Management

We now offer NEW Higher and Degree Apprenticeships

University Centre Rotherham



Fees lower than traditional universities

**UCR** | University Centre Rotherham  
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# Student Support

**At all of our campuses we have a range of services and support to help you stay on track with your studies and overcome any obstacles you may face.**

Our Student Services team are here to help you with many aspects of student life, by providing:

- Advice and guidance on a range of personal and welfare issues, including health and relationships
- Financial support
- Careers and progression guidance
- Support with your UCAS application and helping you build an understanding of the support available for Higher Education
- Enrichment activities and events.

## Additional Learning Support

Our dedicated and specialist teams will support you by assessing your learning and educational needs and agreeing a support plan with you, to help you make the most of your time at college. This may include adjustments to teaching, one to one support, workshops, smaller class sizes or assistive technology – which ever suits you best. We also offer special arrangements for exams and assessments that mirror the support received throughout the course.

# What our Students Say

## 95%

of our students said:

**“My course has helped me to develop the positive behaviour and skills needed in the workplace.”**

## 93%

of our students said:

**“I have enjoyed my course.”**

## 96%

of our students said:

**“I feel safe at college.”**

## 95%

of our students said:

**“I am aware that the college offers Higher Education pathways.”**

Source: RNN Group Colleges (Rotherham College, North Notts College and Dearne Valley College) May 2019 survey completed by 1,968 respondents.

# Entry Requirements

**If you have not achieved maths and English at grade 9-4 you will undertake these qualifications alongside your main programme.**

In addition, you need to have:

- A genuine interest in the area you wish to study in
- A good reference

Some courses will require you to have an interview or assessment to ensure you

meet the requirements of the course and are put on the right level course.

Some courses may also have additional entry requirements such as work experience which you may have to already have in place before starting your course.

For more information please visit our College websites.

Level	Requirements
<b>Entry</b>	<b>To be undertaking pre GCSEs.</b>
<b>Level 1</b>	<b>Completion of a GCSE programme or equivalent.</b>
<b>Level 2</b>	<b>Four GCSEs at grade 4 and above or a Level 1 qualification in a relevant area.</b>
<b>Level 3</b>	<b>5 GCSEs at grades 4 and above including English and maths grade 4 or a Level 2 qualification in a relevant area.</b>

Please note that these entry requirements are just an overall benchmark. Our entry requirements can vary by course; please visit our websites or contact us directly for more information.

## Course Levels Explained

Level	Qualification	Equivalent	What's Next?
6	<b>Bachelor's Degree</b>	<b>Full degree</b>	<b>Progression to next level of higher education, postgraduate study, employment or self-employment</b>
5	<b>Foundation Degree</b>	<b>First two years of a degree</b>	
5	<b>Higher National Diploma</b>	<b>First two years of a degree</b>	
5	<b>Higher Apprenticeship</b>	<b>First two years of a degree</b>	
4	<b>Higher National Certificate</b>	<b>First year of a degree</b>	
3	<b>Level 3 course</b>	<b>3 A-Levels</b>	<b>Higher education, employment, self-employment or Higher Apprenticeship</b>
3	<b>Advanced Apprenticeship</b>	<b>2 A-Levels</b>	
3	<b>Intermediate Apprenticeships</b>	<b>GCSEs 4-9 (A*-C)</b>	<b>Advanced Apprenticeship</b>
2	<b>Level 2 course</b>	<b>GCSEs 4-9 (A*-C)</b>	<b>Level 3 course or employment</b>
1	<b>Level 1 course</b>	<b>GCSEs 1-3 (D-G)</b>	<b>Level 2 course, intermediate apprenticeship or employment</b>
<b>Entry Level</b>	<b>Foundation Vocational Qualification Entry 1 to Entry 3</b>	<b>Foundation Vocational Qualification</b>	<b>Further Entry Level courses, Level 1 course or employment</b>

# How to Apply

## Online

Applying online through our websites is really simple. Just go to your chosen college's website and apply in your own time. Applying online also ensures that your application goes through quickly.

## Paper applications

You can also apply using a paper application form, which can be found by contacting us or visiting our campus receptions.

## Contact us

If you need assistance with reading or completing your application please contact us and ask for a member of the enquiries team.

### **Rotherham College**

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### **North Notts College**

01909 504500 | [contact@nnc.ac.uk](mailto:contact@nnc.ac.uk) | [www.nnc.ac.uk](http://www.nnc.ac.uk)

### **Dearne Valley College**

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## Things to remember when applying:

- Make sure you include all your predicted grades and have these to hand when applying
- Consider what experience and skills you can include in the personal statement section to show your interest in your chosen subject
- If you want to change any details of your application including the course you wish to study, please contact the relevant college; do not complete another form.

# Application Process

## 1. Search

- Read our course guide and find the course(s) that interest you (you can also find lots more information on the college website)
- Attend an open event to speak to the course tutors and see the facilities.

## 2. Apply

- Apply online via our website
- A paper copy can also be requested from college.

## 3. Attend

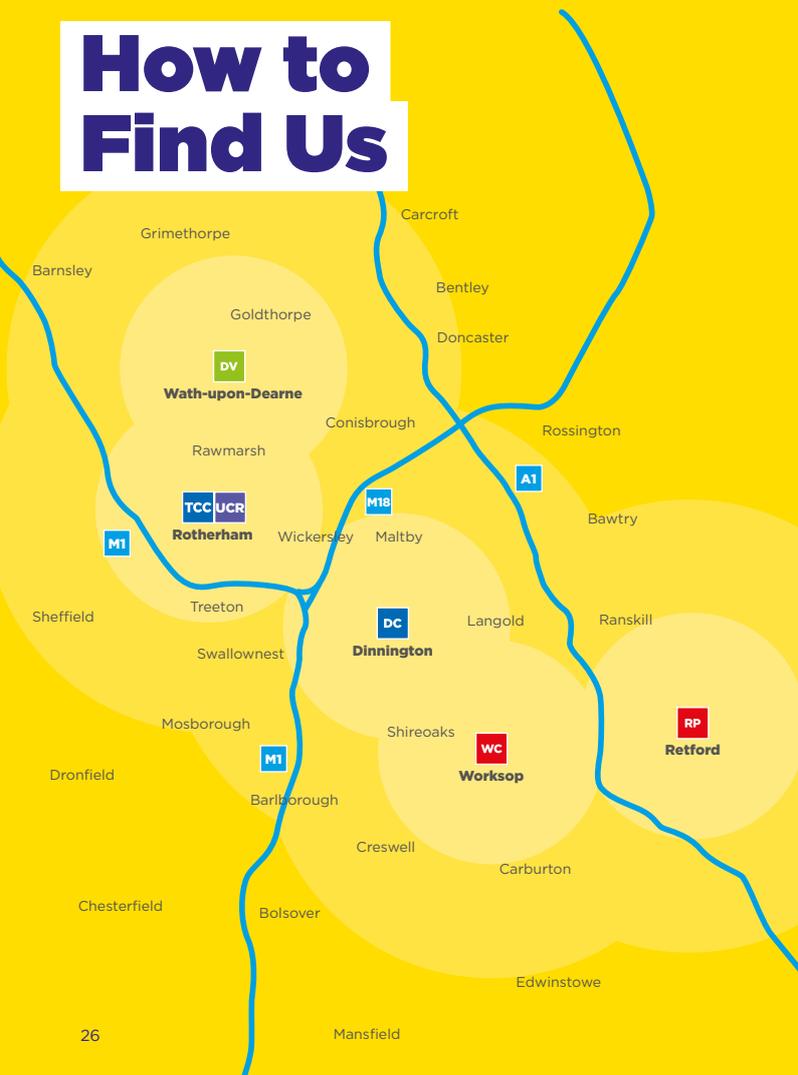
- You will be invited to attend an interview with a course tutor to discuss your choices.

## 4. Enrol

- Once you have received your results you will be invited in to enrol on your course in August/September.



# How to Find Us



## Rotherham College

**TCC** **Town Centre Campus**  
Eastwood Lane  
Rotherham  
S65 1EG

**DC** **Dinnington Campus**  
Doe Quarry Lane  
Dinnington  
S25 2NF

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## North Notts College

**WC** **Worksop Campus**  
Carlton Road  
Worksop  
Nottinghamshire  
S81 7HP

**RP** **Retford Post 16 Centre**  
Old Hall Drive  
Ordsall  
Retford  
DN22 7EA

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## Dearne Valley College

**DV** **Manvers Campus**  
Manvers Park  
Wath-upon-Dearne  
Rotherham  
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## University Centre Rotherham

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