

Sport

HNC in Community Coaching for England

Campus: Dearne Valley College

Code: D14HE03

Type: Part Time

The HNC in Community Coaching for England is a Level 4 Higher National Certificate designed for individuals who are passionate about using sport (particularly football) as a tool to engage, inspire, and develop communities. This qualification is ideal for those looking to begin or advance a career in sports coaching, particularly within grassroots and community settings.

Offered in partnership with organisations like the English Football League Trust, the course blends academic study with real-world coaching experience.

Why Study With Us?

Studying at Dearne Valley College offers an exceptional blend of opportunity, support, and hands-on experience, especially for those pursuing careers in sport, coaching, and fitness. The college is part of the RNN Group, which is known for its commitment to quality education, employability, and strong industry links. Students benefit from experienced tutors and coaches, many of whom have direct industry backgrounds, ensuring that learning is relevant, up-to-date, and career-focused.

The campus is equipped with modern sports facilities, dedicated classrooms, and specialist equipment to support both academic learning and practical development. There's also a strong emphasis on work placements and real-world experience, giving students the chance to build networks and apply their skills in professional settings—whether that's with local schools, sports clubs, or community initiatives.

Dearne Valley College is also known for its supportive learning environment, where students receive personalised guidance and access to services like career advice, learning support, and enrichment opportunities. Whether you're studying on the Momentous Football Academy Programme, the NCFE Level 3 Diploma in Sport, or progressing to a HNC in Community Coaching, Dearne Valley College provides the ideal platform to develop your skills, gain qualifications, and take confident steps toward your future career in sport.

Modules Covered

Learners explore a variety of topics including:

- Principles of Coaching
- Sport Development
- Health and Wellbeing in Sport
- Working with Inclusive Groups
- Project and Event Management in a Sport Setting

A big emphasis is placed on practical experience, so students often work with local clubs, schools, or community organisations as part of their studies. This hands-on approach not only helps develop coaching skills but also builds confidence and communication—key attributes for any community coach.

Entry Requirements

- BTEC Level 3 qualification in Sports or equivalent
- GCSE grades at A* to C (or equivalent) and/or 9 to 4 (or equivalent) in Maths and English

How To Apply

You can apply using our online application form and clicking the **Apply Now** button at the top of the page.

What Courses Can I Progress Onto?

Graduates can progress onto a Level 5 HND or continue to a full degree in sports coaching, physical education, or sport development. It's a fantastic route for anyone passionate about making a positive impact through sport.

Career Opportunities

Learners will be able to enter or progress in employment in the sport and fitness sector.

PLEASE NOTE

We make every effort to ensure information within our online course directory is accurate and a true representation of the courses we are offering in 2025-26. However, we do reserve the right to make changes if necessary.

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