

WELCOME TO COMPUTING AT KIRKLEES COLLEGE

WELCOME FROM THE CURRICULUM AREA MANAGER

“ Welcome to the Computing and ICT department. My name is Furkan Uddin and I am the Curriculum Area Manager at Huddersfield Centre and Springfield Sixth Form Centre. During your time in the department, we will help you develop your computer and wider employability skills. All students have the opportunity to complete a work placement and will benefit from working with a range of employers on live projects. At the end of your course, you may choose to progress to higher education, an apprenticeship or employment – whatever your choice, we are here to support you. Myself and the teaching team look forward to meeting you in September! ”



Furkan Uddin

COURSES IN THIS AREA

- Level 1 Introduction to Computing
- Level 2 Information and Creative Technology
- Level 3 Information Technology



WHERE WILL YOU BE STUDYING?

Huddersfield Centre or Springfield Sixth Form Centre

Huddersfield Centre is located in the town centre and is a short walk from the bus and train stations. Students have access to the college gym which is free for students, Starbucks coffee shop, large refectory and cash machine. The LRC is across four floors with access to course text books and computers. Don't be put off by the size of the building, your classes will mostly be in block B across floors 1 and 2 so you won't have to rush from different lessons like you might do at school.

Springfield Sixth Form Centre in Dewsbury is for 16 – 18 learners only. This small centre has a real buzz about it and is only a short walk from both the bus and train stations. There is a refectory service and LRC where you can access computers for work.

[Click here to take a virtual tour of the Huddersfield Centre](#)

[Click here to take a virtual tour of the Springfield Sixth Form Centre](#)

IT STARTS WITH YOU

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

These courses are a mix of practical and exam-assessed. You will use a range of software, including Adobe Creative Cloud, Microsoft Teams and Office 365. You will need your devices to have Microsoft 10 installed to complete the course and must also be prepared to download different programmes to support your learning outside the classroom.

Your timetable will usually be 16 hours a week. If you don't have GCSE Grade 4 in English and maths then resitting these will be built into your study programme.

On your course, you will have the opportunity to complete a two-week work placement. A member of our Work Placement team will work with you to find a suitable placement.

As a Microsoft Showcase College, you can download Microsoft software for free to your device and access free Wi-Fi at college. You can also study Microsoft Office Specialist (MOS) qualifications alongside your study programme.



MEET OUR STUDENTS

“ I chose this course to gain a better understanding of using advanced software and knowledge of what happens inside the machines. I enjoy the practical work, including breaking apart and fixing an old computer. In the future, I hope to take the skills that I've learnt at college to be successful in the IT industry. ”

Corey Eaton, Level 3 Information & Technology



MEET ONE OF OUR SUBJECT TUTORS

“ Hi, my name is Elizabeth and I'm one of the lecturers in Computing and Digital Industries. I have worked at the college for 10 years and am involved in creating digital resources for our students. I also own my own business which keeps me busy when I'm not teaching. I look forward to meeting you in September. ”

Elizabeth Briley



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

We can support you with:

- Applying for bursaries if you're eligible
- Buying uniform and kits
- Free college meals
- Support with travel costs – you can apply for a travel pass before you start or collect a form from college



[Click here for more information](#)



STUDENT SUPPORT

We have a wide range of support available including:

- Dedicated Progress Coach. Your Progress Coach will work with you on a 1:1 basis to support you with your progress, needs and goals.
- Additional learning support. This is available for learners with specialist educational needs and disabilities and is delivered in various forms according to an individual's assessed needs or provisions within an Education and Health Care Plan (EHCP.)
- Counselling service
- Careers service

[Click here for more information](#)



CAREER PROGRESSION

The technology industry is one of the UK's most valuable industries, contributing 6% of UK total economy and growing. The range of roles available is vast with employment opportunities locally, nationally and internationally. At the end of your studies, you could choose to enter employment, start an apprenticeship, study at HNC level with us or progress to higher education at a university.

Previous students have progressed to study the following degrees:

- Computer Science
- Software Engineer
- Games Design
- IT Technician



VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS



Attend a LIVE Virtual Open Day to find out more information about college life, our centres, facilities and the support available.

The dates for our Summer Virtual Open Days are:

TUESDAY 29 JUNE **WEDNESDAY 30 JUNE**

[VIRTUAL OPEN DAY - Click here to find out more](#)

94%

OF OUR STUDENTS
WOULD RECOMMEND
KIRKLEES COLLEGE

93%

OF OUR STUDENTS
SAID THEIR
TEACHING IS GOOD

95%

OF OUR STUDENTS
SAID THEY HAVE
HAD A GOOD
EXPERIENCE

If you would like to speak to a tutor or have any questions about your course or application, please email applications@kirkleescollege.ac.uk

Enrolment will be in August. More information will be sent out closer to the time.

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STAY CONNECTED



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