This course is designed to meet the employment opportunities within the sport, leisure and outdoor industries. You will cover a range of skills and knowledge to develop your career in this industry or progression into Higher Education.

**COURSE DETAILS**

Areas of study may include
Students will take part in a variety of activities, examples of these are: high ropes courses, rock-climbing, raft building, kayaking / canoeing, gorge walking, navigation, mountain craft and leadership, caving, scrambling and camping. During the first year three expeditions will take place and a further four in the second year. These activities will cover a range of venues throughout different areas of the UK. There will also be the opportunity to achieve some ‘additional qualifications’ whilst on the programme, these include; asic Expedition Leadership Award, British Canoe Union Personal Star Tests, Canoe Safety Test, and First Aid.

**ENTRY GUIDELINES**

Candidates must hold one of the following:
**BTEC First Diploma Qualification in sport or related area**
**An Intermediate GNVQ in an appropriate vocational area**
**Five GCSE passes at grade C or equivalent must include English and Maths**
**Other related Level 2 qualifications**
**Priority will be given to students aged 16-18 yrs**

Communication skills - You will need the ability to communicate on a one to one basis in a group and as part of a discussion. You will also need the ability to lead a group. Literacy - Much of the course material is presented in written form. You will need the ability to read and understand this material. Written assignments will form part of your assessment. Numeracy - Basic numeracy skills are needed in order to solve simple problems. Information Technology - Basic computer skills would be an advantage but are not essential. Manual dexterity and physical stamina - You will need the ability to carry out physically demanding practical work in a variety of weather conditions. All of the above skills will be developed throughout the course. Before starting your course, you will take assessments in literacy and numeracy to make sure that you are working at the right level.

If English is not your first language, you may need an assessment before enrolling on this course. To discuss further, please contact the ESOL department on 0151 551 7144.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

All students will also complete compulsory Functional Skills qualifications alongside their main programme of study. There will be a fee payable to contribute to the residential costs for overnight expeditions and visits, costs will be advised at interview. All students will need to provide themselves with a good quality pair of walking boots, all other equipment can be provided, although students may prefer their own. N.B. Outdoor education is not just a glamorous career; it requires hard work and enthusiasm in at times what can be very adverse conditions. All prospective students should be willing to take part in all activities in a variety of weather conditions and ensure that their personal fitness is of a standard that allows them to operate safely during the practical sessions.

Are you aged 16-18?

**Study programmes** are full-time courses for 16-18 year olds which include:

- A qualification such as BTEC Extended Diploma
- Meaningful work experience or preparation for work
- English and maths, if you don't already have GCSE grade A* - C in English and maths
- Non-study activities such as tutorials, voluntary work, fund-raising/charity work, sport or trips

**WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO?**
At the end of the course, you could progress to higher education or employment. Depending on your specialist units you could work in: the Fitness and Lifestyle Sector, Outdoor Activity Centres, Armed Forces or Public Services.

Explore potential careers via Career Match — it provides current local data on wages and employment prospects.

WHEN DOES THIS COURSE RUN?

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If you are aged 16-18:

This study programme will be FREE for most students who are aged 16-18 on 31 August, or students aged 19-24 with an Education, Health & Care Plan.

If you are aged 19 or over:

Fee : £1050.00

*The fee quoted is for the academic year 2018-19. Course fees for 2019-20 will be confirmed in due course.*

For advice and guidance, please contact Student Services on 0151 551 7777 or call into our Conway Park Campus. Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 11 to 4pm and Wednesdays 4 to 6.30pm (term time only).

This information was current on 17th June, 2019 and may be subject to change.