FREE* ADULT COURSES+



WITH WIRRAL MET COLLEGE



JANUARY-AUGUST 2025

WELCOME TO *****WIRRAL MET COLLEGE

Whether you are looking to embark on an exciting new career, fast track your existing one, upskill, or simply learn for enjoyment, we have the right course for you and best of all many of our courses are completely free if you live in the Liverpool City Region.

We can also help you access a range of financial support to help you reach your goals including funding and bursaries to help with the cost of studying. Worried about balancing study with personal commitments?

We offer flexible part time study options, with evening classes, and short courses available.

Explore our courses and start your journey...

Join us for one of our open evenings and discover more about our courses, chat to tutors and apply!

♦ FIND YOUR COURSE

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5PM-7PM

REGISTER ONLINE
WMC.AC.UK/EVENTS

OUR CAMPUSES & FACILITIES ★



CONWAY PARK

- Hairdressing Salons
- Beauty Therapy Salons
- Library and Study Zone
- Café with Starbucks Coffee Shop

TWELVE QUAYS

- Early years learning hub
- · Health care training hub
- Automotive garage and workshops
- Photography studios with darkroom facilities
- Library and Study Zone
- Café with Starbucks Coffee Shop





WIRRAL WATERS

- World-class workshops for:
 - -Electrical installation
 - -Bench and site joinery
 - -Plumbing and gas installation
 - -Plastering
 - -Brickwork
 - -Painting and decorating
- Study Zone
- Café with Starbucks



THE OVAL

- Fitness suite
- Outdoor exercise facilities
- Study Zone
- Café
- With on-site access to:
 - -Athletics track
 - -Swimming pool
 - -Football pitches
 - -Tennis courts

HAMILTON UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- Met At The Square professional restaurant and training kitchen (run by students from Culinary Arts and Hospitality)
- Specialist IT Suites
- High quality learning and meeting facilities



TRAVELLING TO COLLEGE

We are easily accessible from all parts of Wirral, Merseyside and Cheshire with great links to public transport and parking close to all of our campuses. Most of our campuses are also within walking distance from each other so you can easily use the best facilities for you.

There are several bus routes which serve students of the college, for timetables and prices visit

merseytravel.gov.uk.

Our campuses are conveniently located just a five minute walk from our local train stations, Conway Park, Hamilton Square and Bebington. For timetables and prices visit merseyrail.org.

There are numerous car parks available around the campuses (free and paid) that you can use whilst studying with us.

WHY WIRRAL * MET COLLEGE?

- ♦ FLEXIBLE COURSES TO FIT AROUND YOUR WORK AND FAMILY COMMITMENTS
- OUTSTANDING STUDENT SUPPORT
- ♦ ACCESS TO SPECIALIST FACILITIES
- **♦** EXCELLENT EMPLOYER LINKS
- → INDUSTRY EXPERIENCED TEACHING PROFESSIONALS





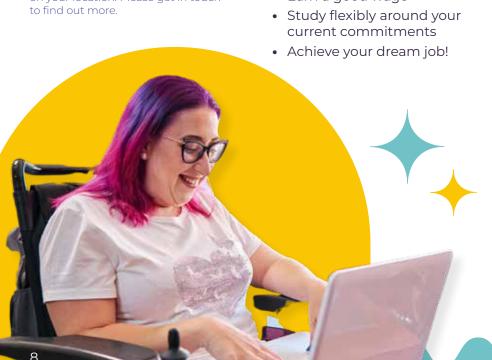
FREE COURSES FOR JOBS



Did you know that if you are aged 19 and over and don't have a Level 3* qualification, there are a number of Level 3 courses you can study for free?

If you already have a Level 3 qualification or higher, have an income below a specified amount** or are unemployed, you can also access these qualifications for FREE!

- * Level 3 qualifications are equivalent to an Advanced Technical Certificate or Diploma, or A Levels.
- ** The specified amount is dependent on your location. Please get in touch to find out more.
- Gain new skills that employers value
- Improve your job prospects
- Earn a good wage



FREE ENGLISH & MATHS COURSES



Good English and maths skills are essential in work and daily life and it's never too late to improve them!

English and maths are the building blocks for a successful career and widely sought after by employers and universities. Don't let your current skills hold you back, you can study on an English or maths course for free* at Wirral Met. Courses starting throughout the year.

WHY CHOOSE WIRRAL MET?

- GCSE and Functional Skills qualifications available
- Flexible courses to work around your existing commitments
- Progression support on to other courses, including Access to Higher Education

*Free for adults aged 19+ who have not achieved a grade C/4 or above.

If you already have a grade C/4 or above and wish to enrol, course fees will be applicable.



EXPLORE COURSES & APPLY ONLINE

Scan this QR code or visit: wmc.ac.uk/adult-english-maths



DISCOVER OUR COURSES



We offer a wide range of short courses for adults looking to improve their career prospects or learn a new skill from entry level to Level 5.

Find the perfect course for you at **wmc.ac.uk/adult-courses**. Many of our courses can be studied for FREE[†]. Find out if you are eligible to receive funding on page 14.

AUTOMOTIVE

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
E182	3	Award in Electric/ Hybrid Vehicle System Repair and Replacement	STARTS: 17/2/25 DURATION: 3 days	DAY 9.00 - 16.00	Twelve Quays	695* (LCR only)
E214	3	Award in Automotive Refrigerant Handling	STARTS: 3/2/25 DURATION: 3 days	DAY 9.00 - 16.00	Twelve Quays	695* (LCR only)
E215	4	Award in the Diagnosis, Testing and Repair of Electric / Hybrid Vehicles and Components	STARTS: 17/12/24 DURATION: 3 days	DAY 9.00 - 16.00	Twelve Quays	1150

[†] T&C's apply

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
B198	2	CMI Level 2 Certificate in Team Leading	STARTS: Multiple DURATION: 16 weeks	THURS Evening	Hamilton	724*
D018	3	CIPD Foundation Certificate in People Practice Level 3	STARTS: 9/1/25 DURATION: 1 year	THURS Daytime or Evening	Hamilton	1265* (LCR only)
D049	3	AAT Level 3 Diploma in Accounting	STARTS: 9/1/25 DURATION: 1 year	THURS Daytime or Evening	Hamilton	2300**
D050	4	AAT Level 4 Professional Diploma in Accounting	STARTS: 8/1/25 DURATION: 1 year	THURS or WED & THURS Daytime or Evening	Hamilton	2573
D053	2	AAT Level 2 Certificate in Accounting	STARTS: 8/1/25 DURATION: 1 year	WED Daytime	Hamilton	675*
D100	1	AAT Level 1 Award in Bookkeeping	STARTS: 7/2/25 DURATION: 7 Weeks	FRI Daytime	Hamilton	225*
D105	5	CIPD Associate Diploma in People Management	STARTS: 9/1/25 DURATION: 36 Weeks	THURS 17:30	Hamilton	1800
D106	1	AAT Level 1 Award in Business Skills	STARTS: 28/3/25 DURATION: 8 weeks	FRI Daytime	Hamilton	170*
D114	3	CMI Level 3 Diploma in Principles of Management and Leadership	STARTS: Multiple DURATION: 1 year	THURS Evening	Hamilton	1250**
D120	5	CMI Level 5 Diploma in Management and Leadership	STARTS: Multiple DURATION: 1 year	WED Evening	Hamilton	1500

BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE & INTERPRETING

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
Z007	Level 1 part 2	British Sign Language - Part 2	STARTS: 13/1/25 DURATION: 15 weeks	MON 12.15 - 15:15	Conway Park	280*
Z008	Level 2 part 2	British Sign Language - Part 2	STARTS: 13/1/25 DURATION: 15 weeks	MON 12:00 - 15:00	Conway Park	350*

SOCIAL STUDIES

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
U036	2	Certificate in Psychology	STARTS: 14/1/25 DURATION: 17 weeks	TUES 9.30 - 3.00	Hamilton	811*
U037	2	Certificate in Criminology	STARTS: 13/1/25 DURATION: 10 weeks	MON 9.30 - 3.00	Hamilton	300*

CONSTRUCTION

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
R274	1	Certificate in Construction Skills - Brickwork	STARTS: 3/2/25 DURATION: 18 weeks	MON & TUE 18:00 - 21:00	Wirral Waters	495*
R277	1	Plastering Certificate (Part Time) Level 1	STARTS: 3/2/25 DURATION: 16 weeks	MON & TUE 18:00 - 21:00	Wirral Waters	475*

BEAUTY THERAPY

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
G120	2	VTCT Award in Nail Technology Level 2	STARTS: Jan DURATION: 15 weeks	TUES 10:30 - 13.30	Conway Park	390*
G118	2	VTCT Level 2 Award in LED Gel Polish Techniques	STARTS: Jan DURATION: 1 weeks	TUES 10:30 - 13.30	Conway Park	32.5*

PHOTOGRAPHY

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
P129	2	Award in Photography	STARTS: 27/1/25 DURATION: 12 weeks	MON 18:00 - 21:00	Twelve Quays	300*

TEACHING & LEARNING

CODE	LEVEL	COURSE	DATE	TIME	CAMPUS	FEE (£)
N059	2	CACHE Support- ing Teaching and Learning in Schools Certificate	STARTS: Flexible DURATION: 1 year	Workbased	Twelve Quays	640*
N060	3	CACHE Specialist Support for Teaching and Learning in Schools Diploma	STARTS: Flexible DURATION: 18 months	Workbased	Twelve Quays	2225* (LCR only)
N060	3	NCFE CACHE Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator)	STARTS: Flexible DURATION: 2 years	Workbased	Twelve Quays	2600**
N060	2	Workbased - NCFE CACHE Early Years Practitioner Diploma	STARTS: Flexible DURATION: 15 months	Workbased	Twelve Quays	640*

CAN I STUDY FOR FREE?



All courses marked with an asterisk* may be FREE (T&Cs apply) if you:

- Are a resident of the Liverpool City Region (Wirral, Liverpool, Sefton, Knowsley, St Helens or Halton)
- Are unemployed and in receipt of a state benefit
- Live outside of the Liverpool City Region and earn less than £25,000

Courses marked with a double asterisk ** are FREE (T&Cs apply) if you:

 Are completing the course to get into work or future career prospects such as going to university.

Live within the Liverpool City Region and:

- Are studying for your 1st full Level 3 qualification
- Earn under the Liverpool City Region median wage (£33,958 per/year)
- Are unemployed and in receipt of a state benefit

Live outside of the Liverpool City Region and:

- Are aged 19-23 and are studying for your 1st full Level 3 qualification
- Are any age and income is under £25,000

Many of our programmes have been funded by the Liverpool City Region Combined Authority's Adult Skills Fund.







FOR MORE INFORMATION

Scan this QR code or visit: wmc.ac.uk/adult-courses





The course had given me an insight into a range of societal issues and the criminal justice system, which has provided a great foundation for my role at Tomorrow's Women. The tutors were incredibly supportive during my time here and I highly recommend this course."

LISA BUXTON

Pre Access Humanities & Social Science & BA Sociology with Criminology



COMMUNITY **COURSES**



Taught in collaboration with our partner organisations, Wirral Met College offers a wide range of Community **Education courses for those who hold memberships** with these organisations, and want to explore different areas of study.

Our free*, part time courses can offer you an array of skills to help improve your employability, learn something new, and support others.









We have a variety of courses on offer with our community partners, including but not limited to;

- Starting Your Own Business
- Introduction to Web Design
- Criminology for Beginners
- Exploring Hate Crime
- Exploring Short Stories
- Building Confidence and Resilience

- Becoming a Happier You
- Family Budgeting Skills
- Exploring Neurodiversity
- Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Understanding Anxiety in Children



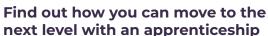
APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships aren't just for school leavers, they can also be the catalyst for a career change and pursuing missed opportunities. They can offer you the chance to train in a new area of work, start earning a living or to upskill!

There is no age restriction to apprenticeships and you can be in full-time work and become an apprentice.



Currently working? No problem!



Contact us on **0151 551 7610**

FAST TRACK YOUR CAREER

Apprenticeships

Did you know that you can fast track your career with an apprenticeship?

Wirral Met offer a wide range of apprenticeships from Level 2 to Level 5, such as;

- Operations/Departmental Manager
- Business Administrator
- Accounts & Finance Assistant
- HR Support
- HR Consultant Partner
- Digital Support Technician

- Healthcare Science Assistant
- Plasterer
- Adult Care Worker
- Laboratory Technician
- Hair Stylist
- Beauty Therapist
- Associate Project Manager



EXPLORE APPRENTICESHIPS ONLINE

Scan this QR code or visit: wmc.ac.uk/apprenticeships



ACCESS HIGHER EDUCATION →

Want to study a degree but don't have the entry qualifications?

Our one-year Access to Higher Education qualifications are designed to help you gain the skills and qualifications you will need to successfully apply for a university-level course and requires a commitment of 2 days per week.

We offer a number of pathways including:

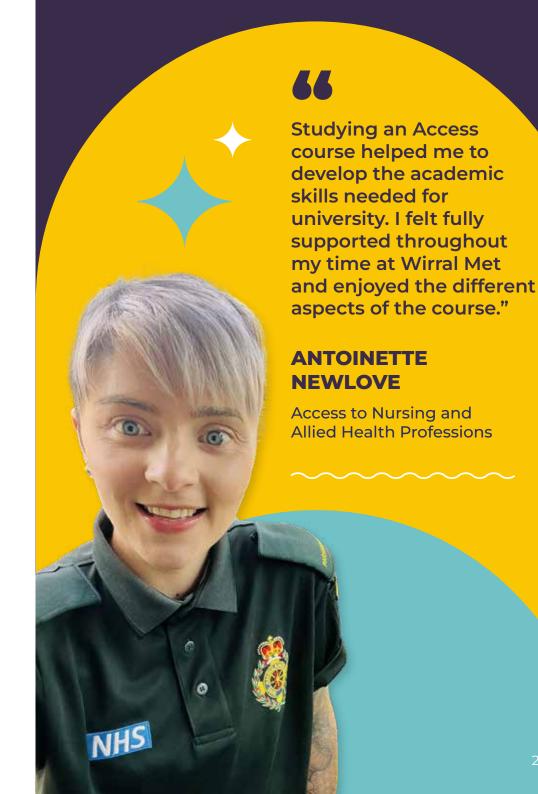
- Biomedical Science
- Midwifery and Professions Allied to Medicine
- Psychology and Mental Health
- Sociology and Criminology

You may be eligible to study an Access to Higher Education course for free. Call 0151 551 7777 to find out more.

APPLY NOW AND SECURE YOUR PLACE

Scan this QR code or visit: wmc.ac.uk/access-to-he





PRE-ACCESS TO ★ **HIGHER EDUCATION**

Start your journey to HE with a Pre Access Course

If you are returning to study after a break in your education, these one year courses are designed to increase your knowledge and confidence. They offer a progression route to an Access to Higher Education course or to other Level 3 courses.

CODE	COURSE	DATE	FEE (£)
Y022	Humanities	SEPT 2025	1578
Y022	Nursing	JAN 2025 SEPT 2025	600 – JAN start only 1578 – SEPT start
Y022	Science	SEPT 2025	1578

You may be eligible to study on one of our Pre-Access to Higher Education courses for **FREE*** if you:

- are a resident of the Liverpool City Region
- are unemployed and in receipt of a state benefit
- live outside of the Liverpool City Region and earn less than £25,000 per year

ACCESS TO **★ HIGHER EDUCATION**

Studying an access to higher education course with Wirral Met offers you a gateway to limitless possibilities.

It equips you with essential academic skills, empowering you to pursue your dreams and aspirations. By bridging the gap between prior education and university level learning, these courses open doors to a brighter future.

Please note: Access courses require a minimum of 2 days in college per week.

CODE	COURSE	START	AWARDED BY	FEE (£)
J004	Access to HE Nursing	JAN 2025 SEPT 2025	Open Awards	3384 – JAN start only 5040 – SEPT start
S152	Access to HE Biomedical Science	SEPT 2025	Open Awards	5040
Y039	Psychology and Mental Health	SEPT 2025	Open Awards	5040
Y038	Sociology and Criminology	SEPT 2025	Open Awards	3600

You may be eligible to study an Access to Higher Education course for free.

22 *subject to eligibility 23

AIM HIGHER +



Gain a degree from one of our partner universities or an industry-leading accredited professional qualification. Study locally, save money and get the degree you want.

If you are thinking of studying for a degree or HND, then look no further than Wirral Met College. Our multi-million pound award winning campuses offer students an array of world class facilities.

We have partnered with Edge Hill University, The University of Liverpool and University of Chester so you can achieve a full honours degree through a prestigious

awarding body, on Wirral Met campuses. All our tutors are industry practiced, highly qualified professionals.

We offer smaller class sizes and more contact time with tutors than traditional universities, plus many of our courses offer compressed hours, so you can easily combine studying with work or family commitments.

Working in partnership with:







Courses accredited by:



















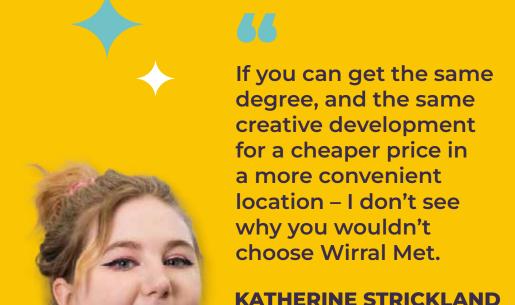


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UNIVERSITY COURSES



ART, DESIGN AND CREATIVE MEDIA

CODE	COURSE	LEVEL	YEARS	AWARDED	FEE (£)
AO16	Foundation Diploma in Art and Design	4	1	UAL	4800
P127	BTEC HND in Film and Television	5	1	Pearson	7000
P057	BTEC HND Photography	5	2	Pearson	7000
A026	BA (Hons) Illustration with Animation	6	3	University of Chester	8500

EARLY YEARS

CODE	COURSE	LEVEL	YEARS	AWARDED	FEE (£)
N104	BA(Hons) Early Years	6	3	University of Chester	8500

PSYCHOLOGY

CODE	COURSE	LEVEL	YEARS	AWARDED	FEE (£)
Z060	BSc (Hons) Pyschology (2+2)	4	2	University of Liverpool	8500

SOCIAL STUDIES

CODE	COURSE	LEVEL	YEARS	AWARDED	FEE (£)
Z060	BA (Hons) Sociology with Criminology	6	3	University of Chester	8500

TEACHER TRAINING

CODE	COURSE	LEVEL	YEARS	AWARDED	FEE (£)
B194	University Higher Diploma Further Education and Training	5	1	Edge Hill	*
B202	University Higher Diploma Further Education and Training (Part-time)	5	2	Edge Hill	*
B195	PGCE Further Education and Training	7	1	Edge Hill	*
B203	PGCE Further Education and Training (Part-time)	7	2	Edge Hill	*

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT UNIVERSITY

Scan this QR code or visit: wmc.ac.uk/universitycentre



STUDY NOW PAY LATER



FINANCIAL SUPPORT



ADVANCED LEARNER LOANS



Worried about the cost of returning to learning?

If you are aged 19 or over and thinking of studying a Level 3, 4, 5 or 6 qualification, an Advanced Learner Loan could help cover your course fees.*



Not dependent on income or employment status.



No credit check.



No repayments until you earn more than £27,295** per year.



Repayments don't start until the April after you have finished your course.



Study now, pay later.

- Terms, conditions and exclusions apply
- *This figure is subject to change, visit www.gov.uk for more information

As an adult student we have lots of financial support options available to help you return to study*.

Subject to eligibility and depending on your circumstances, you may be entitled to:

- Free tuition for those studying up to Level 3
- Help with childcare costs
- Help towards your equipment, uniforms, essential trips, professional memberships, DBS certificates
- Help towards petrol costs
- Free breakfast

- Student laptop and discounted printing
- Monthly bursary payment
- Free Microsoft Office 365 package
- Free IT support and training
- Student discounts with the NUS TOTUM card

If you have to pay course fees, we offer lots of flexibility. You may be able to pay in interest free instalments, by debit or credit card or your employer may pay. For some courses, there are loans available to help cover fees.

*Subject to status, terms and conditions apply. More information will be provided during the enrolment process.

ACCESS TO HE COURSE FUNDING

If you take out an Advanced Learner Loan to cover the fees for an Access to HE course, and then successfully complete a degree, you don't have to repay the outstanding loan for the Access to HE course.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT FUNDING





SUPPORT +

Whether it's financial support, learning support, or you simply want to chat about the right course for you, our student support services can help.

Offering a confidential and welcoming service, our team of professional experts and Student Advisers can help you with:

- Finding the perfect course for your dream career
- Dedicated HE welfare team
- Accessing support services
- Financial support and advice
- Careers and job search advice
- Course guidance
- Additional Learning Support
- Counselling
- Safeguarding information and guidance
- Student activities and enrichment

Wirral
Met College's
Information, Advice
& Guidance Service
holds the National
Matrix Standard for
impartial advice
and guidance.



We want you to enjoy your time at college and we are here to help. If you need support, just let us know! The Pastoral Support Mentors and Additional Learning Support team are here to support students to become as successful as possible.

PASTORAL SUPPORT MENTORS

Our mentors can support you with:

- Personal concerns
- Personal financial difficulties
- Childcare
- Accommodation
- Problematic substance use
- Family issues
- Time management
- Personal organisation and action planning
- Sexual health

ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT (ALS)

The team support a wide range of needs, including:

- Dyslexia/Dyspraxia
- Moderate/Complex Learning Difficulties
- Autism Spectrum Condition
- Physical Difficulties

- ADHD
- Mental Health and Well-being
- Blind or Partially Sighted
- D/deaf or Hard of Hearing

QUALIFIED COUNSELLORS

Our counsellors can support with a variety of challenges including:

- Major life changes, such as unplanned pregnancy
- Pressures related to your course or exams
- Stress, anxiety and depression
- Loss or bereavement
- Family or relationship difficulties

MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING OFFICERS

This specialist team can support you to:

- Make positive changes
- Find strategies to help with your mental health
- Identify your goals, and ways of achieving them
- Identify appropriate external support

SHARE **† YOUR SKILLS**



BECOME A TEACHER AT WIRRAL MET

You don't need a degree to start teaching in further education:

If you have industry experience and an interest in sharing your skills, you already have what it takes to teach in further education.

How do I become a teacher at Wirral Met?

Over a 26 week programme you will be equipped with the skills needed to become a teacher in further education, covering topics such as lesson planning, assessment methods and monitoring progress. You will be assigned a personal mentor and your progress will be reviewed at key stages.



WHAT'S NEXT?

Once the programme is complete you can continue to consolidate your training with a PGCE or University Higher Diploma in Education. You will complete your final probationary review 12 months after your start date.

BENEFITS

- ✓ Teacher training provided
- ✓ Part-time or full-time roles
- Competitive holiday entitlement of up to 9.6 weeks per year
- ✓ Access to first-class CPD opportunities
- Teach around your current occupation
- ✓ Competitive salaries
- Teachers Pension
 Scheme with a generous employer contribution of c. 23%
- ✓ Get paid while you train



For more information contact Human Resources: Email: hr@wmc.ac.uk | Phone: 0151 551 7650

PROVIDE TRAINING * FOR YOUR WORKFORCE

Did you know Wirral Met can support you to train your employees?

Engaged and motivated team members are what you need to achieve business growth.

Studies have shown that training leads to increased productivity, efficiency and retention.

Why choose us?

- Dedicated account management
- Thorough training needs analysis
- Free recruitment and vacancy matching service

We offer MORE than apprenticeships:

- Bespoke training
- Distance learning

 Professional qualifications and degrees (AAT, CIPD, CPCAB, IMI, Pearson, City and Guilds and many more)



WE ARE PROUD TO BE WORKING WITH 400+ ORGANISATIONS



























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Liverpool University Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust

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Speak to a friendly adviser | 0151 551 7777 wmc.ac.uk

We make every effort to ensure the information in this guide is correct at the time of publication (November 2024). However, some details may change as we review and update our provision.

Courses operate subject to sufficient numbers and places are allocated on a first come first served basis. The College's liability will extend only to the reimbursement of fees paid if the course is closed. If a student decides to withdraw from a course, the fees refundable are dependent on the length of course and the numbers of weeks into the course the student withdraws, unless a medical certificate is formally produced.





