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ADULT COURSE GUIDE 2025



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TUESDAY 10TH JUNE 2025, 5PM - 7PM

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If you are looking to gain new skills, brush up on existing ones, or steer your career in a new direction, we've got you covered! Explore our diverse range of daytime and evening courses, tailored to fit around your life and help you reach your goals.

With options available from introductory courses to advanced degree-level programmes, we have the perfect learning opportunity waiting for you.

For detailed information on all of our courses, please scan the QR codes or go to: www.riversidecollege.ac.uk/adults

Financial support is available to help with the cost of studying and **many of our students study for free** depending on the course and individual circumstances.

For further information on fees, scan the QR code or go to: www.riversidecollege.ac.uk/adults/fees

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN A COURSE

Register your interest in a course by scanning the QR code. Once you have registered, you will receive an email advising you of the admissions and enrolment process for your course. For any questions, please email our Admissions Team via advice@riverside.ac.uk

Please note: Places are allocated on a first come, first served basis (based on the date you apply) and are subject to availability. Please check our website for up to date information about enrolment guidelines and course availability.

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STARTING FROM SEPTEMBER 2025

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Access to Higher Education Classroom Based Courses

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
3	Access to Health Professionals	1 year	Wed & Thurs	10/09/25	9.30am - 3.30pm
3	Access to Nursing	1 year	Wed & Thurs	10/09/25	9.30am - 3.30pm
3	Access to Midwifery	1 year	Wed & Thurs	10/09/25	9.30am - 3.30pm
2	Preparation for Access	1 year	Wed & Thurs	10/09/25	9.30am - 3.30pm

Access to Higher Education Online Based Courses

Level	Course Title	Duration	Start Date	Times / Day(s) of the week
3	Access to Health Professionals	1 year	08/09/25	<p>These courses are delivered online and supported by our highly experienced outstanding tutors.</p> <p>Optional drop in sessions are available for our online Access courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mon & Tue, 1pm - 4pm • Mon, 6pm - 9pm
3	Access to Nursing	1 year	08/09/25	
3	Access to Midwifery	1 year	08/09/25	
3	Access to Psychology	1 year	08/09/25	
3	Access to Radiography	1 year	08/09/25	
3	Access to Science (Biophysical)	1 year	08/09/25	

What Degrees Can I 'Access'?

Our flexible programme can support you to gain entry on to almost any degree you wish in just one year.

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Accounting

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
4	AAT Diploma in Professional Accounting	15-18 months	Mon	15/09/25	9.30am - 4.30pm
3	AAT Diploma in Accounting	12-15 months	Wed	17/09/25	9.30am - 4.30pm
3	AAT Diploma in Accounting	12-15 months	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
2	AAT Certificate in Accounting	1 year	Mon	15/09/25	9.30am - 4.30pm
2	AAT Certificate in Accounting	1 year	Mon & Wed	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm

Catering & Hospitality

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
3	Advanced Diploma in Professional Cookery	1 year	Various	05/09/25	Various
2	Diploma in Professional Cookery	2 years	Various	01/09/25	Various
2	Certificate in Patisserie & Bakery	1 year	Various	01/09/25	Various
2	Diploma in Professional Food & Beverage Service	1 year	Various	03/09/25	Various
1	Diploma in Hospitality & Catering	1 year	Various	01/09/25	Various
E2	Introduction to Cake Decorating - Basic Techniques	6 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	6pm - 9pm
E3	Stage 2 Intermediate Cake Decorating	10 weeks	Thurs	06/11/25	6pm - 9pm
E2	Introduction to Cake Decorating - Basic Techniques*	6 weeks	Thurs	January	6pm - 9pm
E3	Stage 2 Intermediate Cake Decorating*	10 weeks	Thurs	March	6pm - 9pm
1	Introduction to Bread, Dough & Pastry	13 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 9pm
1	Introduction to Food Preparation and Cooking Skills*	18 weeks	Wed	January	6pm - 9pm

ADULT COURSES

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Computing and Digital Skills

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
6	BSc (Hons) Computer Science (top-up)	1 year	Tues, Weds, Fri (TBC)	09/09/25	Various
5	HND in Computing	1 year	Wed, Thurs, Fri (TBC)	10/09/25	Various
4	HNC in Computing	1 year	Wed, Thurs, Fri (TBC)	10/09/25	Various
2	Level 2 City and Guilds Award in 2D Computer Aided Design (CRANTON CAMPUS)	16 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 8.30pm
2	Level 2 Award in Digital Skills*	16 weeks	Thurs	January	6pm - 8.30pm
1	Digital Skills for Life and Work	24 weeks	Weds	17/09/25	9.30am - 12pm
1	Digital Skills for Life and Work	24 weeks	Weds	17/09/25	6pm - 8.30pm
E3	Essential Digital Skills Entry Level	1 year	Starts week commencing 15th September 2025. Day & evening options available.		

Construction Trades

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
4	HNC Construction	2 years	Thurs	11/09/25	11am - 7pm
3	Level 3 Diploma in Electrical Installation	1 year	Mon & Wed	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
2	Level 2 Diploma in Electrical Installation (Oversubscribed - apply for waiting list)	1 year	Mon & Wed	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
1	Level 1 in Carpentry and Joinery	1 year	Mon & Wed	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
2	Level 2 Diploma in Plumbing	1 year	Mon & Wed	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
1	Level 1 Diploma in Brickwork	1 year	Mon & Wed	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
N/A	CSCS Tests	See below for information on our CSCS test packages			

CSCS Test Support Packages

The CITB Health, Safety & Environment (HS&E) test ensures workers have a minimum level of health, safety, and environmental awareness.

Riverside College is an approved testing centre for the CITB, with multiple packages available for you to choose from:

1. **CITB HS&E Test**
2. **Construction Related Qualification**
3. **Construction Related Qualification & CITB HS&E Test**
4. **Construction Related Qualification & CITB HS&E Test & CSCS Card Application**



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Engineering

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
5	HND Engineering (CRONTON CAMPUS)	1 year	Tues	09/09/25	9am - 9pm
4	HNC in Engineering (CRONTON CAMPUS)	2 years	Thurs	11/09/25	1pm - 9pm
2	Modern Engineering Maintenance: Industrial Maintenance and Repair of Hydrogen Network*	12 weeks	Wed	January	6pm - 9pm
2	Modern Engineering Maintenance: Industrial Maintenance and Repair of Hydrogen Network	12 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 9pm
2	Intro to Modern Pipe Welding: Industrial Hydrogen Systems and Transport Fitting and Fabrication*	12 weeks	Mon	January	6pm - 9pm
2	Intro to Modern Pipe Welding: Industrial Hydrogen Systems and Transport Fitting and Fabrication	12 weeks	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
1	Level 1 Introduction to Welding Certificate - MIG	10 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	6.30pm - 8.30pm
2	Level 2 City and Guilds Award in 2D Computer Aided Design (CRONTON CAMPUS)	16 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 8.30pm
NEW Engineering & Green Energy Courses					
3	Introduction to Renewable Battery Storage	4 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 9pm
3	Principles & Maintenance for the Photovoltaic Solar Panels	4 weeks	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm

English, Maths and ESOL

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
2	GCSE English	1 year	Thurs	18/09/25	9.30am - 12.30pm
2	GCSE English (Evening)	1 year	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
2	GCSE Mathematics	1 year	Wed	17/09/25	9.30am - 12.30pm
2	GCSE Mathematics (Evening)	1 year	Thurs	18/09/25	6pm - 9pm
E-L2	English (Functional Skills)	1 year	Starts week commencing 15th September 2025. Day & evening options available, please enquire.		
E-L2	Maths (Functional Skills)	1 year	Starts week commencing 15th September 2025. Day & evening options available, please enquire.		
<i>For GCSE qualifications, if you already have a grade C or 4 and achieved it within the last 5 years but wish to improve your grade then fees will apply. Please enquire for details of fees.</i>					
ESOL Qualifications					
E-L2	English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL)	1 year	Starts week commencing 15th September 2025. Day & evening options available, please enquire. You will need to bring your ID to assess funding.		

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Hair, Beauty, Nails & Media Makeup

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
DAYTIME COURSES (2-3 days a week)					
5	HND Performing Arts (Technical Arts) (Media Makeup with SFX)	1 year	Tue & Wed	09/09/25	Various
4	HNC Performing Arts (Makeup Artistry in the Creative Industries) (Media Makeup with SFX)	1 year	Mon & Thurs	11/09/25	Various
3	Advanced Diploma in Professional Hairdressing	1 year	Various	05/09/25	Various
2	Intermediate Diploma in Professional Hairdressing	2 years	Various	03/09/25	Various
3	Advanced Diploma in Media and Fashion Makeup with SFX	1 year	Various	05/09/25	Various
2	Diploma in Media Makeup with Hairdressing	1 year	Various	01/09/25	Various
1	Diploma in Makeup Artistry with Hairdressing	1 year	Various	03/09/25	Various
3	Advanced Diploma in Professional Beauty Therapy	1 year	Various	05/09/25	Various
2	Diploma in Professional Beauty Therapy	1 year	Various	01/09/25	Various
2	Diploma in Beauty Therapy (with Nails Specialism)	1 year	Various	01/09/25	Various
3	Advanced Diploma in Professional Nail Services	1 year	Various	05/09/25	Various
PART TIME COURSES					
2	Award in Therapeutic Head Massage*	10 weeks	Wed	January	6pm - 9pm
2	Introduction to Skin Aesthetics: Skin Care & Facial Massage	30 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	6pm - 9pm
2	Certificate in Professional Barbering*	19 weeks	Wed	January	6pm - 9pm
1	Introduction to Men's Hairstyling	13 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 9pm
1	Career Launch in Professional Hairdressing	1 year	Tues	16/09/25	9.30am - 2.30pm
1	Career Launch in Beauty Therapy	1 year	Mon	15/09/25	9.30am - 2.30pm
1	Career Launch in Hair & Beauty	1 year	Mon & Tues	15/09/25	9.30am - 2.30pm
1	Introduction to Makeup Artistry	30 weeks	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
1	Stage 1 in Professional Women's Hairdressing	30 weeks	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
1	Stage 1 Diploma in Professional Beauty Therapy	30 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	6pm - 9pm
N/A	Introduction to Body Massage Techniques	13 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 9pm
2	Professional Nail Technology Award*	16 weeks	TBC	January	6pm - 9pm
1	Introduction to Professional Nail Treatments	16 weeks	TBC	TBC	6pm - 9pm
2	Award in Lash & Brow Techniques	13 weeks	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 9pm
N/A	Brow Lamination*	3 weeks	Mon	January	6pm - 9pm
N/A	Brow Mapping & Threading*	3 weeks	Mon	February	6pm - 9pm
N/A	Volume Semi Permanent Lash*	6 weeks	Mon	April	6pm - 9pm

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Certificate in Access to Aesthetic Skin Therapies

Course starting in
September 2025

Daytime or evening
options available

See website for full details



Health, Care & Counselling

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
6	BSc (Hons) Health and Social Care (top-up)	1 year	Wed & Thurs	10/09/25	9.30am - 4.30pm
5	Foundation Degree in Health and Social Care	2 years	Wed & Thurs	10/09/25	9.30am - 4.30pm
6	BSc (Hons) Counselling (top-up)	1 year	Tues	09/09/25	9.30am - 5pm
6	BSc (Hons) Counselling (top-up)	1 year	Mon & Wed	08/09/25	6pm - 9pm
6	BSc (Hons) Counselling Children & Young People (top-up)	1 year	Tues	09/09/25	9.30am - 5pm
6	BSc (Hons) Counselling Children & Young People (top-up)	1 year	Mon & Wed	08/09/25	6pm - 9pm
5	Foundation Degree in Counselling	3 years	Weds	10/09/25	9.30am - 5pm
5	Foundation Degree in Counselling	3 years	Mon & Thurs	08/09/25	6pm - 9pm
5	Foundation Degree in Counselling Children & Young People	3 years	Wed	10/09/25	9.30am - 5pm
5	Foundation Degree in Counselling Children & Young People	3 years	Mon & Thurs	08/09/25	6pm - 9pm
3	Diploma in Counselling	1 year	Wed	17/09/25	6pm - 9pm
3	Diploma in Counselling	1 year	Wed	17/09/25	9.30am - 12.30pm
2	Introduction to Counselling Skills Certificate	17 weeks	Tues	16/09/25	9.30am - 12pm
2	Introduction to Counselling Skills Certificate	17 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	9.30am - 12pm
2	Introduction to Counselling Skills Certificate	17 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	6pm - 8.30pm
2	Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care	15 weeks	TBC	TBC	TBC

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Languages

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
N/A	Spanish for Beginners	11 weeks	Mon	15/09/25	6pm - 8pm
N/A	Spanish Beginners Plus*	11 weeks	Mon	Jan 26	6pm - 8pm

Mental Health & Supporting Others

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
2	Level 2 Certificate in Mental Health in Children & Young People	16 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	12.30pm - 3pm
1	Level 1 Certificate in Wellbeing	16 weeks	Wed	17/09/25	12.30pm - 2.30pm
1	Level 1 Mental Health Awareness	12 weeks	Weds	17/09/25	6pm - 8pm
1	Level 1 Mental Health Awareness	12 weeks	Thurs	18/09/25	9.30am - 11.30am

Sport (all courses take place at the Cronton Campus)

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
6	BA (Hons) Sport Coaching and Sport Development (1 year top-up)	1 year	Mon, Wed, Fri (TBC)	08/09/25	Various
5	Foundation Degree in Sport Coaching and PE	2 years	Mon, Wed, Fri (TBC)	08/09/25	Various

Teaching Assistants

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
3	Diploma in Teaching Assistants	1 year	Wed	17/09/25	4pm - 9pm
2	Certificate Teaching Assistants	1 year	Wed	17/09/25	9.30am - 12pm
2	Certificate Teaching Assistants	1 year	Thurs	18/09/25	9.30am - 12pm
2	Certificate Teaching Assistants	1 year	Thurs	18/09/25	6pm - 8.30pm
1	Introduction to Teaching Assistants	15 weeks	TBC	TBC	TBC

Teaching Professions

Level	Course Title	Duration	Day(s) of the week	Start Date	Times
5 & 7	Certificate and Post Graduate Certificate Education - PCET	2 years	Wed	17/09/25	1pm - 6pm
6	BA (Hons) Education	1 year	Tues	09/09/25	9.30am - 1.30pm
5	Foundation Degree in Education	2 years	Wed	10/09/25	9.30am - 1.30pm
3	Award in Education & Training	14 weeks	Weds	17/09/25	6pm - 9pm

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- Certificate in Allergy Awareness
- Certificate in Caring for the Elderly
- Certificate in Introducing Caring for Children and Young People
- Certificate in Living in a Fair and Diverse Society
- Certificate in the Principles of the Mental Health Worker
- Certificate in the Principles of Warehousing
- Certificate in Understanding Common Illnesses Affecting Children

Level 3 Qualifications

- Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Autism
- Level 3 Certificate in Understanding the Principles of Dementia Care
- Level 3 Certificate in Understanding Mental Health

Health & Care Level 2 Qualifications

- Understanding the Safe Handling of Medication in Health and Social Care
- Understanding the Care and Management of Diabetes
- Understanding Dignity and Safeguarding in Adult Health and Social Care
- Common Health Conditions
- Principles and Control of Infection in Health Care Settings
- Understanding Behaviour that Challenges
- Falls Prevention Awareness
- Principles of Care Planning
- Principles of Dementia Care
- Principles of End of Life Care
- Understanding Nutrition and Health
- Cleaning Knowledge & Skills

Management & Professional Level 2 Qualifications

- Equality and Diversity
- Principles of Team Leading
- Principles of Customer Service
- Principles of Business Admin
- Digital Marketing
- Environmental Sustainability
- Event Planning
- Information, Advice & Guidance
- Safeguarding, Prevent & British Values
- Certificate in Lean Organisation Management Techniques

Mental Health & Support Level 2 Qualifications

- Mental Health First Aid and Mental Health Advocacy in the Workplace
- Understanding Autism
- Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties
- Principles of Working with Individuals with Learning Disabilities
- Understanding Children and Young People Mental Health
- Counselling Skills
- Understanding Distressed Behaviour in Children
- Awareness in Bullying in Children and Young People
- Self Harm and Suicide Awareness and Prevention
- Special Educational Needs and Disabilities

Scan the QR code to learn more about our range of courses and to apply online. Our team will contact you to discuss the next steps.



For more information, please call **0151 257 2175** or email **remote-e-learning@riversidecollege.ac.uk**
www.riversidecollege.ac.uk/e-learning-courses

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- 100% pass rate in 2024 for bachelor's degrees
- 50% of BA Degree Graduates achieved a 1st Class Honours in 2024
- 82% of students achieved a 2:1 or above degree classification in 2024
- High student satisfaction, 98% of students were positive on how their course challenged them to achieve their best in the National Student Survey 2024
- Less debt without compromising on quality
- £500 bursary gift for qualifying first year full time students (studying for 12 hours a week or more on certain courses)
- HE Student Loans available
- Small class sizes and dedicated support team

DEGREE COURSES IN

- Computing & Digital Technologies
- Construction
- Counselling (Adults)
- Counselling (Children & Young People)
- Education & Teacher Training
- Engineering
- Health & Social Care
- Performing Arts - Media Makeup
- Sport

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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 the course and the number of weeks into the course the student withdraws, unless a medical certificate is formally produced.