



**SCHOOL  
LEAVERS’  
COURSE  
GUIDE**  
2023-24

**FULL-TIME COURSES  
FOR 16-18 YEAR OLDS**



# HELLO.

## Welcome to your fresh guide to learning across Northumberland

If you're getting ready to leave school, or you've recently completed GCSEs, study with Northumberland Skills to kick-start your future career.

Delivering on behalf of Northumberland County Council, our experienced team of lecturers are ready to support you to realise your potential with a full-time study programme this September.

Our fresh blend of hands-on and digital learning has been designed to keep you safe and supported, whilst helping you to gain essential skills to stand out in life and work.

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# LEARN. DISCOVER. GROW.

### Live and learn local

With campuses across Northumberland, we can offer you a further education programme at a convenient location and support you to gain the skills and qualifications you need for work or further study.

To help you to take the best next steps, we've broken down the content in this course guide to ensure you understand each option and what to do next.

Our experienced lecturers, dedicated support staff and tailored learning environments are ready for you to enjoy and develop the skills you need to achieve the future you deserve.

If you're aged 16-18 years, our courses are free. If you're a young adult aged 19+, speak to our team as courses may be free (eligibility criteria apply).





**Did you know ...?**  
 96% of learners  
 feel they receive  
 good support  
 from their lecturer\*

# ACHIEVE YOUR GOALS

Whether you are looking for a stepping stone to Higher Education or studying to gain skills for the world of work, we have a huge selection of course options and pathways to lead you to your goal of university or a job.

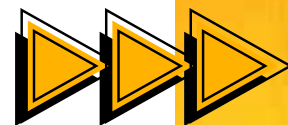
We are passionate about your success and have designed our courses to inspire you - boosting your skills, confidence and achievements.

## 10 reasons to study with us

- The convenience of learning on your doorstep at one of our campuses across Northumberland **1**
- Learning locally means lower transport costs and we have lots of free parking at many of our campuses **2**
- Managed class sizes to ensure a safe learning environment that puts your health and safety first **3**
- You'll learn in a grown-up study environment and have the chance to meet new people and make new friends **4**
- A blend of hands-on learning and digital competencies help you to gain essential skills for life and work **5**
- One-to-one support when you need it, either in person or online **6**
- Our pastoral and curriculum teams are here to help you every step of the way **7**
- Links to local employers to connect you to opportunities **8**
- 24/7 online access to a wide range of learning resources, including full access to the Northumberland Library Service **9**
- Ofsted has rated us good with outstanding features **10**

*Source: Learner Survey, Term 1, Academic Year 2022-23*

# YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE



Studying with us means you'll gain more than just a qualification. You'll learn skills for life and work, as well as gaining confidence to succeed in your next steps.

Finding the right course for you, at the right level, is a very important first step. We've explained the different levels of learning below to help you to navigate and kick-start your future career.

## Supported Education (SEND)

Bespoke entry level and introductory courses to develop communication, confidence and study skills for learners who need extra help to progress to Level 1.

## Level 1

GCSEs Grade 1-3 or vocational competency qualifications at Level 1.

## Level 2

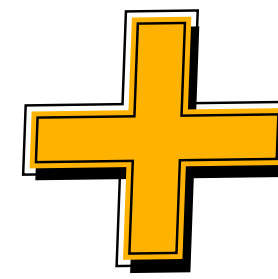
GCSEs Grade 4-9 or vocational competency qualifications at Level 2 and Apprenticeships at Level 2.

## Level 3

A Levels or vocational competency qualifications at Level 3, as well as Apprenticeships at Level 3.

**If you're not sure where to start to set you off in the right direction, contact a member of the team for advice and guidance on:**

[learn@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:learn@northumberland.gov.uk) or call 01670 622 099



# MORE THAN A QUALIFICATION

**We understand that learning stretches beyond the classroom – that's why studying with us brings you so much more than just a qualification.**

## Tailored for you

We offer courses at a range of entry points to ensure that your level of study is best suited to your abilities and aspirations. Each course has particular entry criteria - see specific course entry requirements online at [www.northumberlandskills.co.uk/school-leavers](http://www.northumberlandskills.co.uk/school-leavers)

## Confident and ready

Boosting your skills and self-confidence is our priority – by the time you complete your qualification with us, we want you to feel confident and ready to progress to a job or further study. No matter which subject you choose to specialise in, we ensure that you feel inspired and empowered to achieve your best, accessing support along the way to keep you on track.

## Skills for work

We recognise that functional skills including English, maths and the development of digital skills are critical to your future success, and expected by an employer when you enter the world of work. We will support you to achieve nationally recognised qualifications or GCSEs as part of your course and ensure that you build essential skills to make you more employable.

## Blended learning

Through an engaging mixture of classroom-based learning and practical skills, digital mentoring and e-learning – plus independent study and work placements – learning with us offers you the perfect blend of academic and life skills to help you succeed. When you finish your initial course, we can recommend your next steps, like a higher-level course, or help you to apply for jobs and apprenticeships.

## Work experience and employer connections

Experience of the world of work is an important part of your learning, and work experience forms an integral part of your study programme with us. Our business networks and strong employer partnerships offer you a competitive edge upon completion of your studies. We work collaboratively with employers to ensure the relevance of our education programmes, so that you can feel assured that you're working towards an industry standard qualification.

Not only can work experience help you to make sure you've made the right career choice, it gives you the valuable experience that every employer is looking for, showing that you can handle the world of work, an environment totally different to studying at school.



# BRINGING LEARNING TO YOU

If you're looking to approach learning in a new way, you've come to the right place. Our portfolio of courses for school leavers has been designed with your future in mind. Our lecturers have a wealth of experience and employer contacts to ensure that course content is tailored to suit the needs of industry, and that you gain the skills employers are looking for.

You'll notice on all of our course pages that we talk about progression and careers. That's because your learning journey doesn't end here – our team of lecturers and careers advisers will guide and support you to choose your next steps into further/higher education or the world of work.

The table below shows our range of courses and locations at a glance.

SUBJECT AREA	ALN	BER	HBR	MOR	POB	PRU	SEG
Art & Design						●	
Business	●			●			
Catering			●				
Childcare & Education	●	●				●	
Construction	●						●
Digital Skills	●			●			
Health & Social Care	●	●				●	
Supported Learning (SEND)	●					●	●
Welding & Fabrication					●		

ALN = Alnwick BER = Berwick HBR = Haydon Bridge  
MOR = Morpeth POB = Port of Blyth PRU = Prudhoe SEG = Seghill

Turn over to find out more about the wide range of full-time courses for school leavers across 2023-24 >>>



# OPENING DOORS FOR YOU

Our full-time study programmes allow you to dive straight into your vocational area of choice.

Not only will your qualification help you to stand out when looking for a job, you'll have the skills, aptitudes and requirements to progress to further and higher study with us or at university.

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# ART & DESIGN

**Kick-start your creative career with an art and design course. Gaining an understanding of 2D and 3D design, graphics, art history and painting; your creative abilities and artistic techniques will continue to grow.**

**Study at:**  
Prudhoe

**Courses available:**

- Art & Design (Level 1)
- Art & Design (Level 2)

Our **art and design courses** are perfect for you if you are ready to develop your creative skills and portfolio.

Exploring ideas and resources, you'll craft and present design ideas and concepts as your knowledge and experience grows.

You'll learn through a mix of practical workshops and studio sessions as you develop your own portfolio.

You can progress from the Award (Level 1) to the Certificate (Level 2) as your skills grow.



## DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS

Let your creativity flow with this hands-on study programme.

The skills you'll gain will evolve your personal style as well as deepening your knowledge of the subject, artistic techniques and how to present and curate your own creations.

## STUDY SKILLS & WORK EXPERIENCE

Tutorial and study skills will complement your accredited course and provide wrap around support. This includes topics such as: Employability skills, finances, interview skills and the world of work.

Pastoral support will assist you to develop the skills needed for independent study and help with completion of coursework. One-to-one support is also available to offer individual support on an ongoing basis.

Leadership and enterprise skills alongside health, wellbeing, and confidence, ensure that your professional and personal development are prioritised alongside your studies.

Experience of work and work experience relating to your vocational area is a vital component to boost knowledge and transferable skills.

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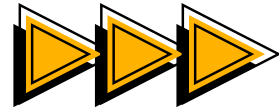
## PROGRESSION AND CAREERS

There are career paths available across a wide range of creative industries. By progressing your skills in art and design, you open up a world of opportunities in roles such as: artist, graphic designer, games design, illustrator and more.

Our art and design courses also support the development of skills to run your own freelance business as well as employment with agencies and a wide range of organisations.



# BUSINESS



**Our business courses are designed to give you a competitive edge building your skills and confidence for the world of business and commerce.**

**Study at:**  
Alnwick or Morpeth

**Courses available:**

- Business (Level 1)
- Business (Level 2)

Our **business courses** are perfect for you if you're looking for a career in business support, customer service or marketing, or have aspirations to set up your own business.

You'll learn about running events, essential business

skills for organisation and office work.

This all adds up to prepare you for success in the workplace and ensures you are gaining the skills organisations are looking for.

You can progress from Level 1 to Level 2 as your skills grow.

**Apprenticeship** training programmes also available in Business Admin, Team Leading and Management



## DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS

Business skills are of real value to employers in any workplace. You'll learn the key aspects and functions of a business, as well as developing your communications skills and understanding of working life in an office and as part of a team.

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## PROGRESSION AND CAREERS

There are a wide range of careers available and job roles include: administrator, receptionist, personal assistant, manager, office supervisor or team leader.

The top destinations for our learners include: wholesale and retail trade, professional industries, finance and insurance, administrative and support services as well as accommodation and food service.

Our business courses are also ideal if you want to be self-employed and are looking for the skills and confidence to start your own business.

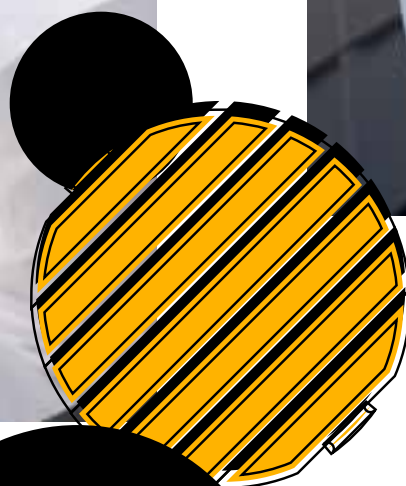




**DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS**  
Do you enjoy working as part of a team, have boundless energy and a passion for food? Then a career in professional cookery could be for you. Exciting careers range from chefs to baristas or front of house staff to kitchen porters or catering assistants.

**PROGRESSION AND CAREERS**  
There's been a real shift in leisure habits over recent years as opportunities to try new and exciting cuisines have emerged with the opening of new restaurants and cafes across the UK.

Gaining the skills and competencies to succeed present a wide range of career opportunities, including: working in cafes and restaurants, at hotels, at events and exhibitions or even music festivals.



**Apprenticeship**  
training programmes also available in Catering and Professional Cookery

# CATERING



**Our catering department has realistic working kitchens and staff with a wealth of industry knowledge to share**

**Study at:** Haydon Bridge

**Courses available:**

- Catering (Level 1)

Our **Introduction to Catering course** is the perfect stepping stone into a career in professional cookery. A passion for food, creativity and being a team player will stand you in good stead to do well as you gain skills in food preparation and cooking across various units, including: meat, poultry, fish, vegetables and patisserie. You'll also study food safety, health and safety, food nutrition and dietary requirements.

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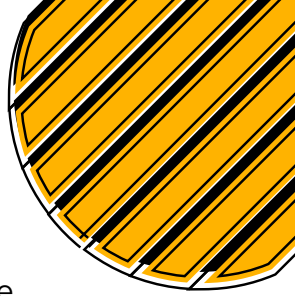
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# CHILDCARE & EDUCATION

**Our childcare and education courses develop your skills for a future career supporting others in early years and school settings**

**Study at:** Alnwick, Berwick or Prudhoe

**Courses available:**

- Introduction to Childcare (Entry 3)
- Childcare (Level 1)
- Childcare (Level 2)

Our **Introduction to Childcare course** is for young people aged 16-24 years, with an EHC plan. This qualification is ideal for you if you would like to get a taste of the skills and knowledge required for a future role in the childcare industry. You will study food and nutrition for children, how to care for young people and babies, and more.

Perfect for school leavers, our **Childcare (Level 1 and 2)** courses explore a child's growth, learning and development from the Early Years to support teaching and learning. You'll gain an understanding of children's social and emotional development, as well as understanding safeguarding the welfare of children and young people for a future role in the industry.

**Apprenticeship training programmes also available in Early Years or Teaching Assistants**

## DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS

Are you caring, patient and creative? Do you have a lot of energy, a passion for developing the skills of others and great communication skills? Then a career in childcare and education could be for you. You'll have the opportunity to enhance your skills and learn techniques to play your part in shaping the future of others.

## PROGRESSION AND CAREERS

There are many rewarding jobs if you want to help nurture the next generation, such as: nursery worker, playgroup assistant, childminder, creche assistant, pre-school assistant, teaching assistant and playworker.

## STUDY SKILLS AND WORK EXPERIENCE

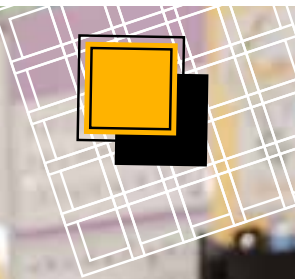
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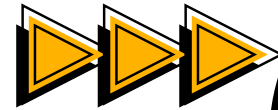
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# CONSTRUCTION



Apprenticeship training programmes also available in various construction trades

Enrol now and study in our tailored construction training centre at Seghill

**Our construction courses develop your skills across a range of trades to build your career in the industry.**

**Study at:** Alnwick or Seghill

**Courses available:**

- Introduction to Construction (Entry 3)
- Construction (Level 1)
- Electrical Installation (Level 1 and Level 2)
- Painting & Decorating (Level 1)

Our **Introduction to Construction** and **Construction Level 1** courses cover numerous construction operations, trades and supervision, plus many other aspects of general maintenance and refurbishment. You'll develop your ability to work with hand tools and powered tools in a range of vocational areas: bricklaying, joinery, tiling and plastering.

**Electrical Installation Level 1 or Level 2** are the ideal courses if you want to become a qualified electrician with skills in wiring, fabrication techniques and electrical science.

**Painting & Decorating at Level 1** will give you the skills you need to pursue a career in painting and decorating, including preparing surfaces and application techniques for paint and papers.

**DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS**

Do you want to learn a trade, work in a team and get hands on?

If you've got the energy and commitment, then the construction industry could be for you.

Our range of courses set you up with a skill for life – a trade to utilise within a company or by setting up your own business.

**PROGRESSION AND CAREERS**

A construction course can lead to lots of different careers such as bricklayer/mason, plasterer, roofer, carpenter, construction labourer, painter and decorator.

As the industry continues to grow with new residential and commercial building projects always on the horizon, as well as a growing demand for refurbishments and upgrades of existing properties; a career in building services and construction is filled with opportunities to either work for an organisation or to start your own business.

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# DIGITAL SKILLS



**We live in a digital world and our Digital Skills courses are designed to boost your IT skills and computer knowhow, as well as growing your software proficiencies and transferable skills such as creating interactive elements and data analysis.**

## Study at:

Alnwick or Morpeth

## Courses available:

- Digital & IT Skills (Level 1)
- Digital & IT Skills (Level 2)

## Our digital and IT skills

**courses** are the ideal introduction to the world of digital media and progressing your growing computer skills.

You will gain knowledge and skills with a digital media focus, including creating storyboards,

interactive presentations and layout design for digital products.

Gaining confidence for the world of work, deepening your digital expertise will set you up for a bright future across a wide range of industries.



## DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS

Digital skills are of real value to employers in any workplace. You'll learn how to develop your digital skills across various IT packages, as well as the use of photography and imagery in digital applications.

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## PROGRESSION AND CAREERS

There are a wide range of careers available and job roles include: IT helpdesk roles, team leaders, programmers, games design and development, data analysis, cyber security, system administrator, web and multimedia developer, digital project manager or ICT consultant.



# HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

**Our Health & Social Care courses enable you to put your caring side to great use to help others have a better quality of life.**

**Study at:** Alnwick, Berwick or Prudhoe

**Courses available:**

- Health & Social Care (Level 1)
- Health & Social Care (Level 2)

Our **Introduction to Health & Social Care course** is an ideal introduction to anyone interested in a career in the care industry. You will gain an understanding of the skills and knowledge required to work in the health and social care sector, and to develop practical skills in preparation for employment or progression in education.

You'll gain an insight into managing your health at work as well as understanding learning and leisure activities for adults, children and young people. You'll recognise how to promote healthy eating in care, as well as preparing for work placement to put your new knowledge into practice.

**Apprenticeship** training programmes also available in Adult & Child Social Care



**PROGRESSION AND CAREERS**

There are many job opportunities in this sector, including: care worker, personal assistant, social worker, community support and outreach worker, supervisors and managers, occupational therapist or activities coordinator.

**DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS**

If you are looking for a challenging but very rewarding career in which you can make a real difference to someone's quality of life, your caring and compassionate side will shine through with a health and social care course.

Practical projects and work placements will help you to embed the skills you're learning about care, social care and the medical profession.

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# SUPPORTED LEARNING (SEND) COURSES

**Our supported education courses offer SEND learners, and those who need extra support, progression to the next level of learning.**

**Study at:** Alnwick, Prudhoe or Seghill

**Courses available:**

- Pre-vocational (Step 1)
- Introduction to Vocational Skills (Step 2)

And foundation vocational skills in:

- Childcare Level 1 (Step 3)
- Construction Level 1 (Step 3)
- Business Level 1 (Step 3)
- Digital Media Level 1 (Step 3)
- Health & Social Care (Step 3)

We have staggered our course offer as **Step 1, Step 2** and **Step 3** to ensure that you are supported to progress, gaining confidence and skills along the way.

Find out more about the three study levels on the opposite page.

## DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS

If you're aged between 16-24 and need extra support to progress or have learning difficulties, disabilities or are on the ASD spectrum and would like to develop skills and independence, we have a supportive range of courses for you.

You'll meet one of our team who'll talk with you to find out what your interests are, offering tailored support, advice and guidance. A bespoke programme will be designed which will help to develop your skills, improve your confidence and build self-esteem.

## ENRICHMENT AND PROGRESSION

The courses follow a graduated approach.

**Step 1** is aimed at young people between 16-24 years with an EHC plan, who wish to improve personal, social and independent living skills in order to be able to manage relationships, build confidence and learn home management skills in becoming independent. Topics covered include: personal safety in the community, being a customer and participating in an enterprise activity.

**Step 2** is aimed at young people between 16-24 years with an EHC plan, who want to develop knowledge to progress into further study. These programmes are grouped into four occupational pathways and provide you with an introduction to an occupational area:

- Construction
- Digital
- Business Admin
- Childcare
- Health & Social Care

**Step 3** is aimed at young people between 16-19 years and provides the knowledge needed to progress in vocational areas, including: childcare, business, construction, health & social care and digital media.

These courses can lead towards work experience, supported internships and employment.

Note: Step 1 and Step 2 courses are for young people (aged 16- 24 years) who have an EHCP or are referred through professional partnerships such as career advisors or head teachers.





# WELDING & FABRICATION



Our courses offer you the opportunity to gain skills in welding and fabrication, alongside other engineering operations

Study at: Port of Blyth

## Courses available:

- Welding, Fabrication & Cutting (Level 1)
- Welding & Fabrication (Level 2)

Our courses cover a range of **welding, fabrication and cutting techniques** to ensure that you are equipped to succeed in the working world of engineering.

You will develop your ability to work with hand tools and powered tools, as well as a wide range of sheet metal working and fabrication equipment.

Apprenticeship training programmes also available in Welding and Fabrication

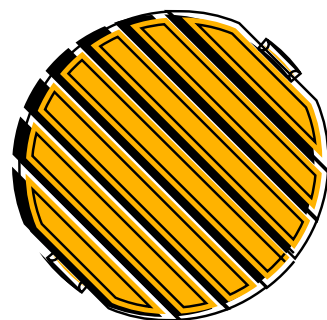


## PROGRESSION AND CAREERS

We have outstanding facilities and industry standard equipment, purpose built for welding and fabrication training.

This, alongside the wide ranging workshops you'll complete with a team of engineers who have a huge amount of industrial experience, will ensure you are fully prepared for your next steps into industry.

The skills you'll gain from our engineering courses open up pathways to a wide range of career opportunities and apprenticeships, including: welder, engineering and production technicians, operatives, mechanical engineers and more.



Enrol now to study in our **brand new, state-of-the-art** welding & fabrication training centre at Port of Blyth

## DEVELOP YOUR TALENTS

If you're interested in understanding how things are made and why they work, you'll enjoy being part of the innovative world of engineering. A diverse and dynamic industry well suited to problem solvers, logical thinkers and doers; gaining skills across the broad engineering industry will support you to strive for a career in mechanical or electrical engineering, engineering design or R&D, as well as the renewable energy sector, construction and space.

## STUDY SKILLS AND WORK EXPERIENCE

Tutorial and study skills will complement your accredited course and provide wrap around support. This includes topics such as: Employability skills, finances, interview skills and the world of work.

Pastoral support will assist you to develop the skills needed for independent study and help with completion of coursework. One-to-one support is also available to offer individual support on an ongoing basis.

Leadership and enterprise skills alongside health, wellbeing, and confidence, ensure that your professional and personal development are prioritised alongside your studies. Experience of work and work experience relating to your vocational area is a vital component to boost knowledge and transferable skills.

## ENGLISH AND MATHS

If you have not yet achieved a grade 4 or above, you'll also work towards a GCSE or Functional Skills qualification as part of your course. If you have a grade 3 in GCSE English and/or maths, you will continue to develop your skills through GCSE sessions. If you have lower than a grade 3 in GCSE English and/or maths, you will study Functional Skills then progress to GCSE.



# SUPPORTING YOUR NEXT STEPS

**From course choices and completing your application, to understanding the academic, financial and social support available to you, our team are here to help.**

## **Finding the perfect course**

Choosing the correct study level and course for you isn't always easy. Our team can help you to understand your skills, experience and aspirations to ensure that you start at the correct level, in a subject area or career that you want to pursue.

You can find out more about subject areas and specific course information sheets at:

[www.northumberlandskills.co.uk/school-leavers](http://www.northumberlandskills.co.uk/school-leavers)

## **Securing your place on a course**

First of all, you need to complete an application – this gives us all the information we need so you can study with us. Once you have completed an application, you'll be called for an interview so that we can find out which course is perfect for you. Interviews may take place in person, online or over the telephone.

From here, enrolling is easy as our team of advisors will assist every step of the way to secure your place and give you all the information you need to start your journey.

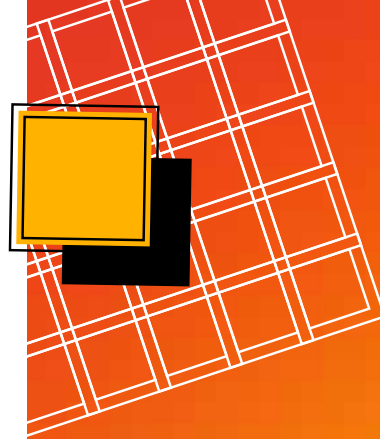
## **Providing support for learners with a disability and/or learning difficulty**

If you have SEND, ASD, or a physical disability, we can create a training pathway that suits you with all the support you need to achieve your goals. Whether it's preparation for adulthood or gaining skills for work, our experienced team have the skills and experience to help you expand your horizons in a safe, supportive environment.

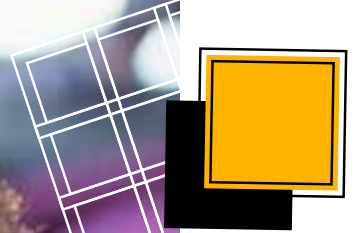
When you finish your course, we can also help you to secure work or further training.

## **Next steps and contact information**

Contact your local campus for more information or for advice and guidance (see the next page for contact details), email [learn@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:learn@northumberland.gov.uk) or visit our website to complete an enquiry form at [www.northumberlandskills.co.uk/contact](http://www.northumberlandskills.co.uk/contact)







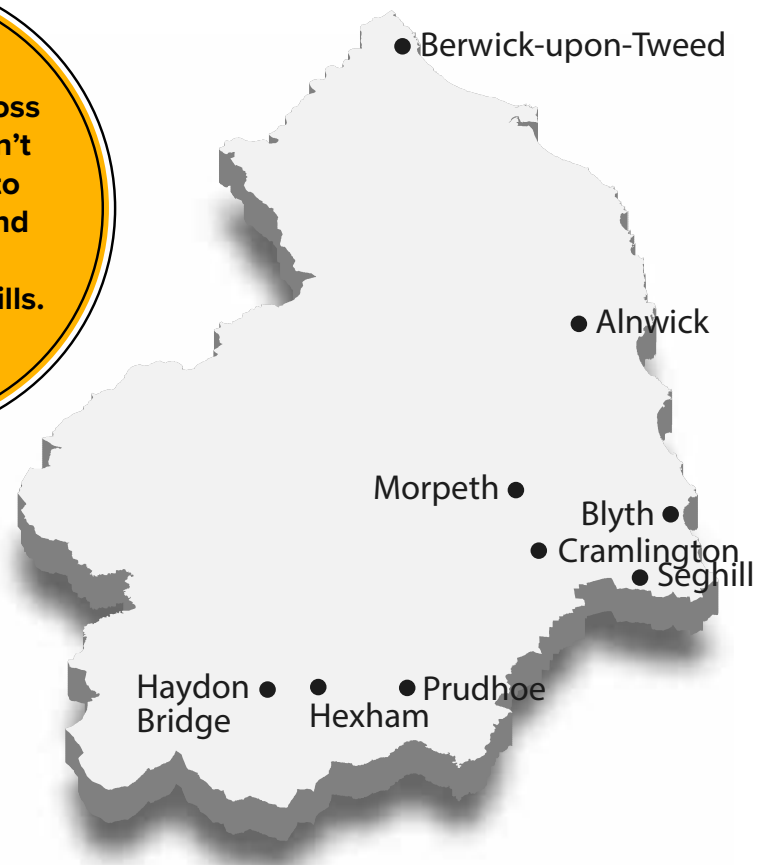
# MY FUTURE STARTS HERE

Come and find out more about our wide range of courses, see our facilities and get a taste of student life by visiting one of our campuses.

Our campuses and enrolment lines are open (contact details listed below for each location) so that you can quickly secure your place or get in touch for further advice and guidance.

We offer courses for school leavers at many of our locations across Northumberland, see the map and addresses below for further details about our campuses running study programmes for school leavers. You can also email us to find out more at [learn@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:learn@northumberland.gov.uk)

With campuses across the county, you don't have to travel far to be inspired - live and learn local with Northumberland Skills.



**ALNWICK CAMPUS**  
Lindisfarne Road Alnwick,  
NE66 1AX. Tel: 01670 623 691

**BERWICK CAMPUS**  
Walkergate, Berwick upon Tweed,  
TD15 1DB. Tel: 01670 626 107

**BLYTH CAMPUS**  
Sports Centre Blyth,  
NE24 5BT. Tel: 01670 622 099

**PORT OF BLYTH CAMPUS**  
Port Training Services,  
Quay Road, Blyth, NE24 3PA.  
Tel: 01670 622 099

**PRUDHOE CAMPUS**  
(The Fuse) Moor Road Prudhoe,  
NE42 5LJ. Tel: 01670 623 689

**HAYDON BRIDGE CAMPUS**  
Haydon Bridge High School,  
NE47 6LR. Tel: 01670 622 258

**MORPETH CAMPUS**  
Gas House Lane, Morpeth,  
NE61 1SR. Tel: 01670 622 257

**SEGHILL CAMPUS**  
Pitt Lane, Seghill, NE23 7EB.  
Tel: 01670 622 099



# PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMMES

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Our **Pre-Apprenticeship Programmes** are the perfect stepping stone into your chosen Apprenticeship.

We offer an introduction into the career you wish to pursue and help you to develop the skills, knowledge and behaviours you'll need to be prepared for a full Apprenticeship.

The programme is a perfect first look at the industry in which you hope to kick-start your career. We offer Pre-Apprenticeship programmes in:

- ✓ **Business Administration**
- ✓ **Construction**
- ✓ **Welding & Fabrication**
- ✓ **Hospitality & Catering**
- ✓ **Childcare and Teaching**



## Whatever you want to be, be an apprentice

Gain a real qualification, whilst earning a real wage from an employer. With an apprenticeship, you'll get the best of both worlds as you earn while you learn.



### Catering Apprenticeships

An apprenticeship in catering and professional cookery will prepare you for a variety of professions across the catering and hospitality sector, including: training to be a chef, bar staff, barista roles, food service and management.

**Childcare and Education Apprenticeships**  
Boost your career prospects in the fields of childcare and education - we offer a variety of routes to gain the skills and experience required in careers including: early years educator, early years practitioner and teaching assistant.



### Construction Apprenticeships

We have a wide range of apprenticeship training available to hone your skills and future career in the construction industry, including: bricklaying, carpentry and joinery, fenestration, electrical and highways maintenance.

**Engineering & Welding Apprenticeships**  
With an apprenticeship in engineering, welding and fabrication, you'll gain skills in a variety of welding techniques including TIG & MIG welding as well as cutting, marking out and CNC work at our state-of-the-art training centre.



### Health & Social Care Apprenticeships

Become a confident and skilled care worker with an apprenticeship training programme from Northumberland Skills. You'll gain the skills to help you to progress in your career as an adult care worker or lead adult care worker.

**Professional Services Apprenticeships**  
Supporting your business career path, we offer a wide range of apprenticeship training programmes across professional services, from business administrator to customer service practitioner, plus managerial/team leader roles.



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To apply or for more information, contact: 01670 623 691 or email [learn@northumberland.gov.uk](mailto:learn@northumberland.gov.uk)





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## Learn. Discover. Grow. with Northumberland Skills

We can help you to gain the qualifications you need for work or further study after leaving school, and we'll support you every step of the way. With campuses across the county, we can offer you an education programme at one of our locations across Northumberland. Secure your place and enrol now.

**ALNWICK | BERWICK | HAYDON BRIDGE | HEXHAM  
MORPETH | PORT OF BLYTH | PRUDHOE | SEGHILL**

### DISCLAIMER

Northumberland Skills takes all reasonable steps to provide the services and courses described in this course guide. However, it does not guarantee the provision of such services. The provision of courses is dependent on there being sufficient demand and funding to make their operation viable.

The information provided in this course guide is, to the best of our knowledge, accurate at the time of going to print. We accept no liability for any errors or omissions and we reserve the right to alter, amend or remove courses without notice.

### OTHER FORMATS

If you need this information in large print, Braille, Audio, or in another format or language please contact us: 01670 622 099. If you are Deaf or can't speak on the phone, contact us using Relay UK. Download the Relay UK app or using your existing text phone prefix our dedicated text Relay number: 018001 01670 623 515. British Sign Language users can contact us using an online sign language interpreting service: [northumberlandcc-cs.signvideo.net](http://northumberlandcc-cs.signvideo.net)

### KEEPING EVERYONE SAFE

Please note that all learners will be required to follow health and safety procedures, including appropriate use of PPE.



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