



The Isle of Wight
College

Your Future Starts Here



Adult, Part time and Professional Courses 2025/2026



Adult Learning

The Isle of Wight College

Returning to education can unlock exciting new career paths, job opportunities, further qualifications and new hobbies. It brings renewed self-confidence and satisfaction. Here are some of the reasons you'll love learning with us:

Accessible Learning Opportunities

- Adults can apply for a wide range of opportunities, providing a clear route toward career pathways and job opportunities.
- Whether you are looking to up-skill, retrain, gain a new hobby or change career paths, our programmes are designed to meet your needs.
- With flexible learning options and expert support, we can help you take the next step towards achieving your goals, regardless of your age or background.
- There are opportunities to study for free, or subsidised. Some courses are also eligible for a learner loan and you may also be eligible for a support bursary.

Accredited Courses

- We work with widely recognised awarding bodies, such as City and Guilds, who employers trust, enhancing your job applications.

Stay Local, Go Far

- We believe that no-one should need to leave the Island to access the learning and skills required for them to achieve their aspirations. Our University Centre Isle of Wight offers university courses such as Foundation Degrees, Higher National Diplomas and Higher Apprenticeships.

Onsite and Virtual Facilities

- Our Learning Resource Centre (LRC) with our friendly and knowledgeable team are available to support all your learning resource needs.
- We make extensive use of Microsoft Office and our Virtual Learning Environment so you can access resources from home, stay in touch with teachers and classmates, and catch up on work.

Browse our courses on-line now at iwcollege.ac.uk or book an appointment with our careers advisor who can point you in the right direction.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Being an apprentice gives you the opportunity to gain a recognised qualification and develop professional skills, while earning a salary, inside some of Britain's best companies, both locally and nationally.

Visit the Isle of Wight College website now for study information, including our frequently asked questions

APPRENTICESHIPS

GAIN RECOGNISED QUALIFICATIONS AND DEVELOP PROFESSIONAL SKILLS, WHILE EARNING A SALARY

Apprenticeships are available to adults as well as young people, giving you the opportunity to earn and learn at the same time. The Isle of Wight College offers the broadest range of apprenticeships on the Island.

There is NO age limit to being an apprentice
You undertake your apprenticeship with your employer

Employers determine their apprenticeship pay; however, you are entitled to a minimum hourly rate of £7.55 in the first year of your apprenticeship.

Business and Finance

Business Administration (L3)
Human Resources (L3 & L5)
Management (L5)
Project Management (L4)
Team Leading (L3)
Customer Service (L2 & L3)
School Business Professional (L4)
Retail (L2)

Digital and Computing

Information Communication Technician (L3)

Engineering and Motor Vehicle

Engineering (L2,3,4)
Practitioner/Manager (L4/L5)
Aeronautical, Mechanical, Marine
Composites, Electronic
Motor Vehicle (L2 & L3)

Hair and Beauty

Hairdressing (L2 & L3)
Beauty Therapist (L2)

Horticulture

Horticulture (L2)



Construction and Building Services

Brickwork (L2) Electrical Installation (L3)
Carpentry & Joinery (L2 & L3)
Painting and Decorating (L2) Property
Maintenance (L2) Plumbing (L3) Supply Chain
Warehousing (L2)

Early Years and Education

Early Years Practitioner (L2)
Early Years Educator (L3)
Children, Young People & Families Practitioner/
Manager (L4/L5) Playworker (L2)
Teaching Assistant (L3)

Health and Social Care

Health and Social Care (L2, L3 & L4)

Hospitality

Hospitality Team (L2)
Commis Chef (L2)
Chef de Partie (L2)

ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

The Access to Higher Education Diploma is nationally recognised as a university entrance qualification.

This programme is designed for adult learners who come from a broad age range and varied backgrounds. If you progress onto university then your fees are usually non-repayable for your access course*.

*Subject to eligibility criteria

ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

A ROUTE TO UNIVERSITY STUDY IN JUST 9 MONTHS!

The Access to Higher Education Diploma course has completely transformed the lives of thousands of adults. If you do not have a full Level 3 qualification, here is an opportunity



to return to study and achieve a nationally recognised qualification. The aim of the course is to provide you with a route into higher education at university or college. Former students have gone on to higher education courses at both our own University Centre Isle of Wight and elsewhere, showing that the course is successfully preparing students for the next stage in their education.

The qualification is a full-time course equivalent of two to three A Levels and takes 9 months to complete.

Many students who study Access to Higher Education Diploma use the government's Advanced Learner Loan initiative to fund it. This means there are no up-front fees or credit checks. If you go on to study at university you don't repay your Access to HE loan.

The pathways available for you to study are:

Social Science

Paramedic

Science

Engineering

Science Primary

Teaching

Humanities

Childhood Studies

Health and Social Care

Allied Health Professions

Nursing and Midwifery

Criminology

"Hello everyone, it's Alex.

*I studied on the access course 3 years ago. I wanted to let you know that I completed my nursing degree and was fortunate to get a First Class Honours. I have a job lined up in Critical Care at St Mary's. I wanted to thank you for all the help you gave me. I would not be in this position without you." **Alex, former Access to HE student***

ENGLISH, MATHS and ESOL

Our Maths and English courses span from Entry Level to GCSE, designed to help you gain the qualifications and confidence needed in these crucial subjects. These courses are offered FREE of charge to anyone who does not already have a GCSE or O Level at grade 4/C or equivalent, ensuring that everyone, regardless of their employment status, can advance their education.

For adult learners seeking to study independently our structured programs ensure that everyone can fit these essential studies into their schedules. Additionally, for those requiring language support, our English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) courses range from Beginner to Level 2, aimed at enhancing your English communication skills through speaking, listening, reading, and writing.

MATHS & ENGLISH

(FUNCTIONAL SKILLS AND GCSE)

We offer a comprehensive range of English and maths courses tailored to meet the needs of every learner, regardless of their life commitments such as work or family. Mastery of English not only broadens your academic options but also makes you more desirable to employers, significantly enhancing your career prospects.

GCSEs in English and maths are crucial for accessing higher education and are often a prerequisite for various job applications. If you haven't yet achieved a grade of A–C or 4 or above, or if you've never taken these GCSEs, our educational programs are designed to support you.

Adult learners have the flexibility to study at their own pace, this structured approach provides ample support, helping students to successfully obtain these key qualifications.

MATHS

GCSE

8th Sept – 19th June 2026

Functional Skills

15th Sept – 22 May 2026 - Level 1 and 2

15th Sept – 22 May 2026 Entry and ESOL

15th Sept – 22 May 2026 Functional Skills LV1 and Lv2 Distance Learning

5th Jan – 24th July 2026 Functional Skills Level 1 and 2

ENGLISH

GCSE

8th Sept – 19th June 2026

Functional Skills

15th Sept – 22 May 2026 - Level 1 and 2

6TH Oct – 19 June 2026 - Level 1 and 2

5th Jan – 24th July 2026 Functional Skills Level 1 and 2

ESOL

(ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES)

The Isle of Wight College is the leading ESOL provider on the Isle of Wight, and our courses are designed to enhance your communication skills with others.

We offer classes that allow you to study flexibly around your other commitments.

If you decide to apply for one of these courses, you'll be invited to an initial assessment session where our team will assist you in selecting the right course for your needs including access to employability skills sessions.

To schedule your assessment, please reach out to us directly at 01983 526631 or via email at esol.course@iwcollege.ac.uk

ESOL

Autumn 2025, Spring and Summer 2026

ESOL Entry – LV1 Adults including Award in Employability, Equality and Diversity and Health and Safety.



PROFESSIONAL and ACCREDITED COURSES

A range of FREE**, subsidised and full cost, part time courses that will enhance both your career prospects and performance within your current role

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ALL students need to pay this in addition to any tuition fee, but there may be financial support available through the adult bursary scheme.

Prospective students must meet DfE residency criteria.

PROFESSIONAL and ACCREDITED COURSES

If you are looking to gain a professional or an accredited qualification that complements your current skills, enhances your CV and prepares you for future opportunities then these courses are perfect for you.

Business and Finance

CMI Award in Management and Leadership (Level 5) 7 Weeks

The CMI qualifications are aimed at practicing or aspiring managers. The training on these courses can help you to develop the skill set required to manage people and organisations and help on your path to becoming a future leader.

Full Cost: £700

Creative Industries

Certificate in Creative Media Skills (Level 2) 30 Weeks

October - Tuesdays, 09:00-12:15

This qualification gives you the opportunity to develop technical Creative Media skills through self-evaluation, practice and review. You will develop the transferable skills needed to progress to further education and employment, for example in communication, planning and managing projects and creative problem solving.

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Construction and Building Services

Site Supervisor (Level 4) 24 weeks

23rd April-18th June Thursday 5.30-8.30pm

This qualification will enable a construction professional to manage and oversee construction activities, ensuring projects are completed safely, on time, and to the required quality standards. This role requires a deep understanding of construction methods, health and safety regulations, and project management principles.

Full cost: £300

Early Years Education

The following courses are work-based learning programmes with on line tutor delivery/support.

Level 2 Certificate Supporting Teaching and Learning

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Level 3 Diploma for the Early Years Workforce (Early Years Educator)

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Level 3 Diploma for the Children and Young People's Workforce

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Hair and Beauty

Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Level 2 Certificate in Barbering

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Hospitality and Catering

Level 2 Hospitality Services

Feb 2026

The Level 2 Hospitality Services course is designed for individuals who are already working in a kitchen environment but do not yet hold a formal hospitality qualification. The course recognises existing skills and experience while developing industry-standard knowledge, practical competence, and professional confidence.

Course Fees: Free or Subsidised

Engineering

Level 1 Certificate in Welding Skills

Feb 2026

Course 1: September 2025; Course 2: January 2026

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Level 2 Award in Welding Skills (TIG)

January 2026

Thursday evenings for 16 weeks

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Advanced Computer Aided Design (CAD)

February 2026

Course fees: Free or subsidised

Teaching and Assessing

Level 3 Award in Education and Training (12 weeks)

3 courses per year, dates TBC, Wednesdays 5pm – 7:30pm

An introductory teaching qualification designed for individuals working or seeking to work as teachers or trainers in the further education and skills sector. It provides an insight into the roles, responsibilities, and relationships within education and training, as well as the fundamentals of planning, delivering, and assessing learning. This qualification is often seen as a stepping stone to more advanced teaching qualifications like the Certificate in Education and Training.

Full Cost: £467

DISTANCE LEARNING

A range of **FREE** professional and accredited Distance Learning courses designed to offer a flexible way to acquire new skills, deepen existing knowledge and enhance both your career prospects and performance within your current role

DISTANCE LEARNING

If you're looking to gain a professional or accredited qualification that complements your existing skills, enhances your CV, and prepares you for future opportunities, these FREE distance learning courses are ideal for you (subject to funding eligibility criteria). Study at your own pace, anytime and anywhere. Upon successful completion, you'll achieve a nationally recognised Level 2 Certificate, equivalent to one GCSE. Courses vary in length, from 6 to 14 weeks, and are delivered fully online. Available to adults aged 19 and over with a wide range of subjects to suit your interests and career goals.

Please email distancelearning@iwcollege.ac.uk or phone 01983 550784 for more information. .

Health and Social Care

CERTIFICATE in the PREVENTION & CONTROL OF INFECTION
CERTIFICATE in DEMENTIA CARE
CERTIFICATE in ALLERGY AWARENESS
CERTIFICATE in UNDERSTANDING NUTRITION & HEALTH
CERTIFICATE in EQUALITY & DIVERSITY
CERTIFICATE in AWARENESS OF MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS
CERTIFICATE in PRINCIPLES OF WORKING WITH INDIVIDUALS WITH LEARNING DISABILITIES
CERTIFICATE in UNDERSTANDING DIGNITY & SAFEGUARDING IN ADULT HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE
CERTIFICATE in UNDERSTANDING THE CARE AND MANAGEMENT OF DIABETES
CERTIFICATE in UNDERSTANDING CHILDRENS AND YOUNG PEOPLES MENTAL HEALTH
CERTIFICATE in SAFEGUARDING, PREVENT & BRITISH VALUES
CERTIFICATE in SELF HARM, SUICIDE AWARENESS & PREVENTION
CERTIFICATE in UNDERSTANDING DISTRESSED BEHAVIOUR IN CHILDREN
CERTIFICATE in UNDERSTANDING THE SAFE HANDLING OF MEDICATION IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE



Business and Administration

CERTIFICATE in CUSTOMER SERVICE
CERTIFICATE in TEAM LEADING
CERTIFICATE in INFORMATION, ADVICE or GUIDANCE
CERTIFICATE in LEAN ORGANISATION MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES
CERTIFICATE in the PRINCIPLES OF BUSINESS ADMIN

Teaching and Learning

CERTIFICATE in AWARENESS of BULLYING in CHILDREN and YOUNG PEOPLE
CERTIFICATE in UNDERSTANDING AUTISM
CERTIFICATE in BEHAVIOUR THAT CHALLENGES
CERTIFICATE in SPECIFIC LEARNING DIFFICULTIES
CERTIFICATE in SPECIAL EDUCATION NEEDS & DISABILITY

SKILLUP COURSES

Enhance your practical, creative and life skills with our Skill Up courses, designed to refine existing talents, introduce new skills, or ignite a new interest. Whether you're returning to the workforce or shifting your career path, our diverse offerings cover a range of practical and creative fields.

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Prospective students must meet DfE residency criteria.

Creative Industries

Introduction to Photography	Wednesday	17:30 – 19:30	4 February 2026
Introduction to Photography	Wednesday	18:00 – 20:00	April 2026
Advanced Photography	Wednesday	17:30 – 19:30	4 February 2026
Advanced Photography	Wednesday	18:00 – 20:00	April 2026

Engineering

Introduction to Metal Fabrication

February 2026

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UNIVERSITY CENTRE ISLE OF WIGHT

Are you ready to kickstart a new career or progress in your current one with a higher-level qualification awarded by the University of Portsmouth?

UNIVERSITY CENTRE ISLE OF WIGHT (UCIOW)



STAY LOCAL, GO FAR and receive:

Exceptional Learning Experience

- Our Higher Education courses are designed to deliver a first-class learning experience that helps you achieve your full potential.

Outstanding Career Progression

- Whether you're aiming to enter a new profession, climb the career ladder, or pursue further studies, our Higher Education courses provide the ideal springboard for success.

Affordable, High-Quality Qualifications

- Our affordable and accessible programmes eliminate the need for costly travel or relocation, allowing you to focus on gaining the skills and qualifications that will set you apart in your chosen field.

Validated Courses

- Our courses are rigorously validated and quality assured by leading regional universities and professional bodies. This ensures you graduate with qualifications that meet high academic standards and are valued by employers.

Flexible Study Options

- Choose from a range of study options to suit your goals and lifestyle. Whether you're looking to study full-time or prefer part-time study we have the right course for you.

Courses Available

Business and Finance

HND Level 5 Business

Early Years

FdA Early Years Care and
Education FdA in Learning Support

Engineering

HNC/HND Engineering -
Mechanical HNC/HND Engineering
– General

Digital and Computing

HTQ/HND (L4/5) Computing

Education

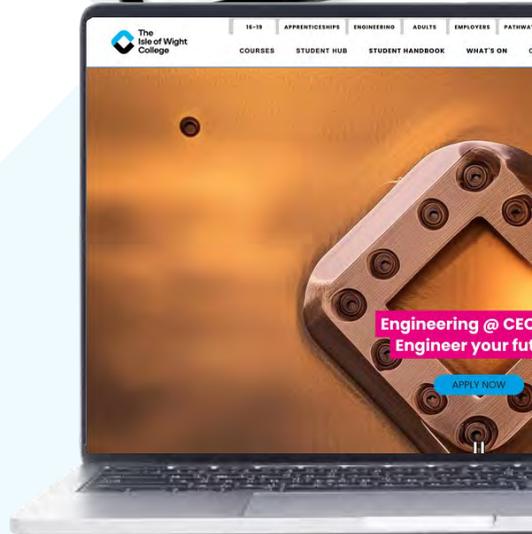
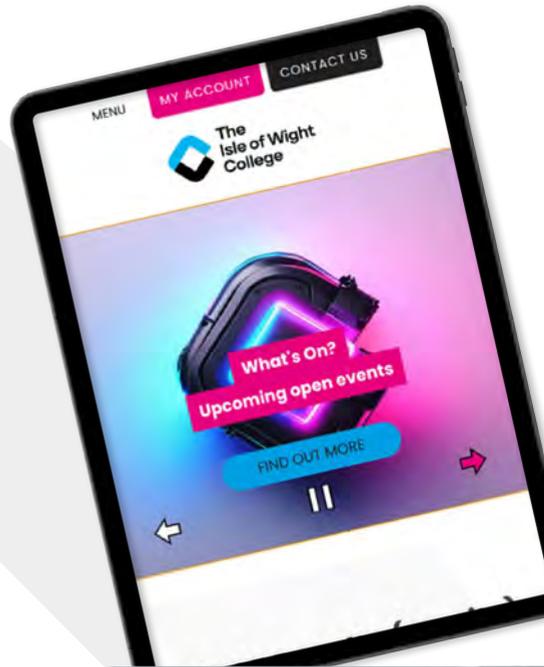
Certificate in Education (Cert Ed)
PGCE in Post Compulsory Education



HOW TO APPLY

APPLYING TO STUDY AT THE
ISLE OF WIGHT COLLEGE IS AS
EASY AS 1,2,3...

- 1 Search the course online at iwcollege.ac.uk.
- 2 For paid-for professional qualifications, click 'Book a Course' to add your course to the basket and check-out. For all other study types please click 'Apply Now' on your chosen course page
- 3 You will then receive an acknowledgment email from us. When your application has been fully processed, we will invite you to attend a scheduled session either in person or by phone to discuss the course details and assess your suitability for the course and level.



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