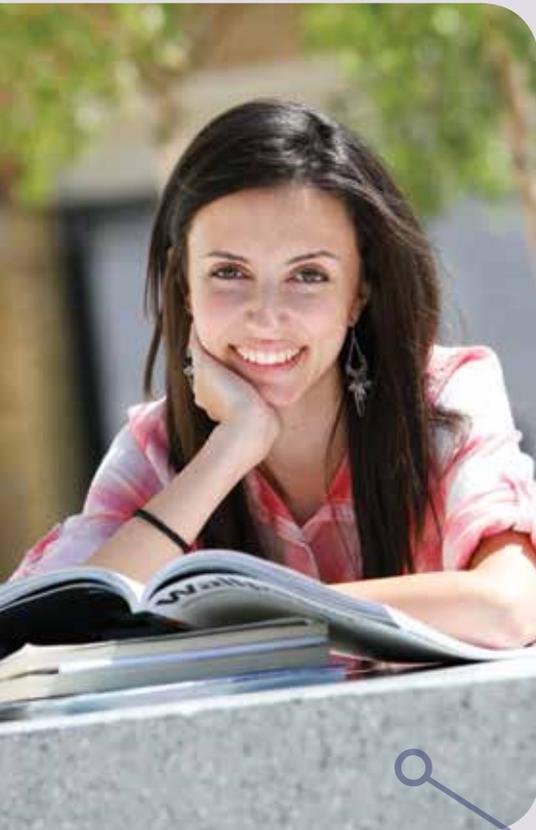


Your future. Your choice!

Welcome to the Hertfordshire Higher Education Consortium and a great way to study for a University of Hertfordshire qualification at your local college. Whatever you want to achieve and wherever you're starting from, we're here to help, with an exciting range of courses designed to boost your career prospects.

We're a family of colleges across Hertfordshire:

- Hertford Regional College
- North Hertfordshire College
- Oaklands College
- West Herts College



“ A work experience opportunity during my first year led to a full time job. I'm now studio manager for a London based portrait and beauty photographer. ”

Lucy Brown, Foundation Degree Photography

We work in partnership with the University of Hertfordshire to bring you excellent teaching and learning, outstanding facilities and great support, right on your doorstep. Best of all, whichever college you study at, you could graduate with a University of Hertfordshire Degree.

Giving you the skills you need

We've worked with employers across the region to shape degrees and diplomas that give you exactly the skills you – and they – need. So, whether you're just starting your career, climbing the ladder or changing direction, you'll gain the skills you need to achieve your ambitions.

If there's one thing being a Consortium student gives you, it's choice. Choose your goals, choose your subject, choose your qualification and choose a bright, prosperous future. Some of our courses are available at a number of colleges, while others are unique to just one. Each course description in this prospectus tells you where the course is available. If you've got any questions or need some advice just get in touch. You can also visit our websites or pop along to an open day. Happy reading and best of luck with your future.

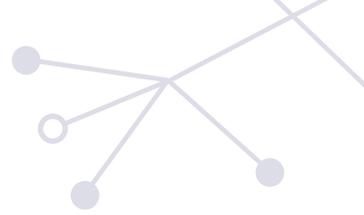
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Whatever's best for you...

Throughout our colleges you'll find great courses, high-quality teaching and fantastic facilities, not to mention a friendly student community and staff who'll support you all the way.

Whatever your starting point...

Our students are all ages, from all walks of life, with all sorts of experience and qualifications.

Our courses will suit you if:

- You've just done your A levels or BTEC National and you'd like to continue your studies without having to move away from home.
- If it's been years since you finished your education and you missed out the first time round.
- Your employer wants to help you boost your skills.
- You'd like to build on your experience with a higher level qualification.

Wherever you're starting from, we've got a course that will take you where you want to go.

Whatever your goals...

- Training for a particular career?
- Working your way towards a promotion?
- Looking for a completely new direction?

Whatever brings you to us, we'll help you achieve your goals. Our stimulating mix of specialist technical, commercial and creative courses make it easier to build a great education into a busy life and lay firm foundations for a rewarding career.

“ It was a real advantage to be able to study at a college close to home but still be a university student – I'd never have been able to afford a university qualification otherwise. ”

Foundation degree graduate.

Whatever you need...

We offer a range of full and part-time study options, so you can balance learning with work or family commitments. Classes are small, so you'll receive plenty of support and your personal tutor will make sure you get all the advice you need on everything from coursework to careers. And if you have any disabilities or special requirements, let us know, so we can support you throughout your learning.

Wherever you live...

With colleges across the region, and strong transport links you can live at home while you learn, saving money and making life easier.



Develop your people and boost your business

If you're an employer, the Hertfordshire Higher Education Consortium offers you a cost-effective way to improve performance. Our industry-focused courses help your people develop the skills they need to make your organisation stronger.

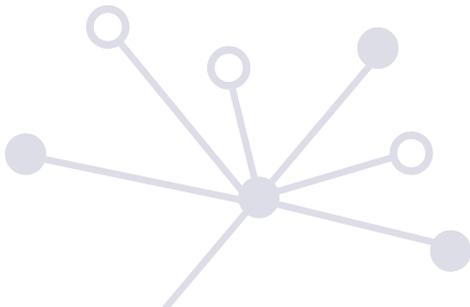
If you're a business looking for new recruits...

Every course available through the Consortium has been designed with employment in mind. We work closely with companies and organisations locally to find out what they need from their staff, where local skills gaps lie and what could help them be more competitive. These insights are built into what we teach so you can be confident our graduates are ready for the world of work and will apply their skills immediately.

If you're training your team...

Finding the right training for your employees not only helps develop valued staff into new roles but is also great for retention. We can help you identify the best courses for your individual employees or even whole teams, and advise on balancing their learning with time at work.

We're also happy to design a programme based entirely around the needs of your organisation, like our excellent Foundation degrees. Respected qualifications that work hard for you, they're both academically rigorous and highly work focused.



Our colleges...

Hertford Regional College

Hertford Regional College

Hertford Regional College has two campuses:

Ware Campus

Scotts Road, Ware, Hertfordshire SG12 9JF

Broxbourne Campus

Turnford, Broxbourne, Hertfordshire EN10 6AE

tel +44 (0)1992 411411

fax +44 (0)1992 411650

info@hrc.ac.uk

www.hrc.ac.uk

Major redevelopments at both campuses means you can enjoy fantastic new facilities, including: £10.5 million investment in our Ware campus. Opened in autumn 2015, this will support the College in responding to the needs identified for the Business and Creative and Digital sector by:

- Creating high quality flexible studio and workshop facilities for business-focused creative arts courses.
- Developing stronger links with employers through sharing of e-learning and physical facilities which reflect the modern workplace.
- Creating a gallery space for learners and others to display their work.
- Business and computer suites throughout, including Apple Mac suites.
- WiFi throughout both campuses.
- 140-seater Michael Morpurgo performance theatre.
- Gym, sports hall and fitness testing centre.
- Hairdressing and beauty salons.
- Motor vehicle and engineering workshop equipped to main-dealer standards.
- Training restaurant.
- Children, Care & Health Building which replicates three practical classrooms, nursery suite, care suite and garden area, and benefits from being next door to a real, working children's centre.

The campuses are six miles apart on the A10 and are easily accessible by road, bus and rail.



They're also close to vibrant and historic towns such as Hertford, Ware, Cheshunt and Waltham Cross. We are within twenty-five miles of London and the Broxbourne Campus is a few miles from junction 25 of the M25.

Professional, independent careers advice is available at both campuses, and we maintain excellent partnerships with local employers and industry.

We offer higher education courses in many areas, including:

- Business
- Fine Art
- Design
- Visual Merchandising
- Music, Media and Performing Arts
- Childcare and Early Years
- Engineering

We also offer a number of Higher National Certificate and Diploma courses to expand the range of higher-level qualifications available to our learners. If you're returning to study and don't have the formal entry qualifications, don't worry, we offer a number of Access courses to help you.

In its most recent QAA inspection, the college obtained an excellent outcome for all its Higher Education programmes, with all aspects meeting UK expectations.

You can read the full QAA report at: www.qaa.ac.uk/reviews-and-reports

Our colleges...

North Hertfordshire College

North Hertfordshire College has four campuses:

Stevenage Centre

Monkswood Way, Stevenage, Hertfordshire, SG1 1LA

Hitchin Centre

Cambridge Road, Hitchin, Hertfordshire, SG4 0JD

tel +44 (0)1462 424242

enquiries@nhc.ac.uk

www.nhc.ac.uk

North Hertfordshire College has an ambition to provide exceptional opportunities for all its students, communities, employers and stakeholders.

The College, which has more than 30 years' experience in Higher Education, offers a mixture of franchised and directly funded courses which include Higher National Diplomas, Extended and Foundation Degrees.

To support employment and career aspirations, North Hertfordshire College (NHC) has played a major role in the local economy by offering Higher Education (HE) opportunities for students and local employers who wish to develop their workforce. Students come from a range of diverse backgrounds and learn through a variety of delivery pedagogies and modes of study.

In its most recent QAA inspection, the college obtained an excellent outcome for all its Higher Education programmes, with all aspects meeting UK expectations. You can read the full QAA report at: **www.qaa.ac.uk/reviews-and-reports**

All campuses have excellent road and rail links with the University of Hertfordshire and the rest of the county. Each campus is just a thirty-minute train journey from London King's Cross and close to the A1(M).

Our Hitchin Campus has recently undergone a £10M refurbishment and now offers an exciting, modern and lively study environment, with state of the art Sports facilities.



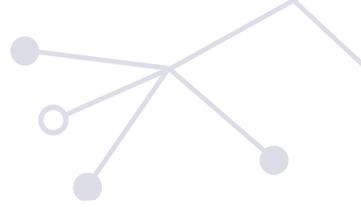
Our Stevenage Campus provides a modern, bright and airy venue at which you can study a range of programmes. It houses highly equipped labs, including the latest gas chromatography equipment.

We offer a range of higher education courses including:

- Business
- Sports Studies
- Fashion and Textiles
- Computing Technologies
- Science
- Early Years

We also have close links with industry and commerce, making our courses relevant to employers' needs. As well as Foundation Degrees, the Extended Degree programme and Access to Higher Education, we offer full time Higher National Certificate/Diplomas in Sport (Leisure Management) and Applied Biology. We also offer a wide range of part time HNC/D programmes. See the college website.

Throughout your time with us you'll be encouraged to develop to your full potential, both as an individual and in your chosen area of study. On all courses, you'll be supported to achieve your career goal by a caring and experienced tutorial and pastoral care team and have access to a great range of cultural, recreational and support facilities.



Our colleges...

Oaklands College

St Albans Campus

Hatfield Road, St Albans
Hertfordshire
AL4 0JA

Welwyn Garden City Campus

The Campus, Welwyn Garden City
AL8 6AH
tel +44 (0)1727 737000
fax +44 (0)1727 737341
info@oaklands.ac.uk

www.oaklands.ac.uk

Oaklands College offers a flexible learning environment where students can gain the qualifications and skills they need to succeed without having to compromise in other areas of their lives.

Our Higher Education courses have been developed to meet the needs of local students. Most courses can be studied either full or part-time, meaning studying can fit around the lives of our students, who may be juggling other commitments, like work or family life.

We work closely with employers to make sure we are equipping students with the skills they need to flourish in the workplace and stand out from the crowd.

Studying with us means you'll benefit from our outstanding facilities, with a fully supportive system of tutorial and personal care. You'll receive excellent teaching delivered by a dedicated and experienced team from a wide range of professional backgrounds.

We offer a range of Foundation Degrees in the following subjects:

- Animal Management
- Business
- Early Years
- Media Production
- Sports



If you want to build on existing qualifications or your experience at work, we also offer many different routes to a Higher National Certificate or Diploma. We have particular specialisms in Art and Design, Computing, Engineering (Mechanical and Electrical) and Civil Engineering Studies, in Sport and Exercise Science, Music and Health & Social Care at HNC/HND level.

If you haven't got the grades you need to go straight to university, we offer an Extended Degree in Engineering. Once you successfully complete this initial year, you'll be able to move on to study for an Honours Degree at the University of Hertfordshire.

If you want to study at university but don't have the qualifications you need, we also offer Access courses in subjects including Humanities, Journalism, Science, Midwifery and Nursing. These bridge the gap between existing qualifications and those you need to study at degree level.



Our colleges...

West Herts College

Watford Campus

Hempstead Road
Watford
Hertfordshire
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tel +44 (0)1923 812345
fax (0)1923 812556
admissions@westherts.ac.uk
www.westherts.ac.uk

At West Herts College, higher education is all about creative thinking and applying academic expertise to real life situations. An Outstanding (Ofsted, 2010) college that was commended by QAA (2014) for enhancing higher education student learning opportunities. You can read the full QAA report at: **www.qaa.ac.uk/reviews-and-reports**

We offer high quality, specialist teaching and a comprehensive network of local employers looking to help you get your first job or the skills you need to progress at university. Our campus in Watford offers state-of-the-art, industry-standard facilities to give you the practical skills you need to succeed in your chosen career.

These include:

- A dedicated Higher Education Centre for HE learners
- 120-seat performance theatre
- Specialist photographic studios and darkroom
- Art and design workshops
- On-site gym and fitness studio
- Mac and IT suites
- Industry standard media, music and TV studios
- WiFi with laptops and computers across the College

Our highly qualified staff have a wealth of teaching, commercial and professional experience, they work hard to make sure your college experience is exciting and rewarding, allowing you to achieve your full potential in the widest sense.



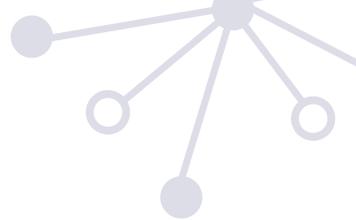
You'll enjoy the benefits of a personal tutor and a variety of support services, helping you make the most of your time with us. Our close links with employers and industry shape our teaching and provide a head start for you as you enter your chosen profession.

We have a long-standing, well-respected portfolio of higher education courses with a wide range of Foundation degrees in vocational areas, such as:

- Business
- Computing Technologies
- Sports
- Early Years
- Creative Arts including: Media Production, Graphic Design, Fashion, Illustration and Photography

We also offer a number of Higher National Diplomas including: Public Services, Travel and Tourism Management, Sport and Leisure Management, Coaching and Sports Development, Performing Arts with pathways in Dance and Acting, Health and Social Care, Contemporary Design and Production, and Music.

We also offer Teacher Training, a range of Professional and Higher Apprenticeship courses, visit **www.westherts.ac.uk** for more information.



Introducing the University of Hertfordshire

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www.herts.ac.uk

As a Consortium student, you'll have access to the campuses' facilities and resources – and of course you'll have the option of progressing to the University itself once you successfully complete your course.

The University of Hertfordshire is a lively, diverse community of over 27,100 students from all over the world, united by their ambition, creativity and entrepreneurial spirit.

We are proud to be recognised not only for our excellent teaching and research, but also for making employability the focus of everything we do. As a result, students enjoy a creative, entrepreneurial environment, enhanced by close links with business and professions, which create exciting placement opportunities for our students.

Offering a flexible approach to learning, the University offers undergraduate and postgraduate degrees and research opportunities in a wide range of subjects, from Art, Design and Humanities to Business, Health, Engineering and Computing.



“ Taking a Foundation degree really opened the door for me into higher education. It seemed the natural choice to go on to the University of Hertfordshire and get my Honours degree. ”

Foundation degree graduate

We're based on two campuses in Hatfield each equipped with first-class student facilities, including state-of-the-art, 24/7 Learning Resources Centres and an extensive sports centre. There's also the Forum, one of the county's top entertainment venues. It's home to an impressive 1,500-capacity auditorium, a stylish bar, restaurant and a coffee bar with free WiFi.



Your kind of courses



Whatever you'd like to study, at whatever level, we've got lots of exciting courses that lead to nationally recognised qualifications.

Foundation degrees

You can have the best of both worlds.

A Foundation degree is a nationally recognised qualification, which is typically studied over two years full-time; with part-time routes available on specific pathways or on day release from your employer. They're qualifications in their own right, but can also be progressed to a full BA or BSc Honours degree by studying for one or sometimes two more years at the University of Hertfordshire.

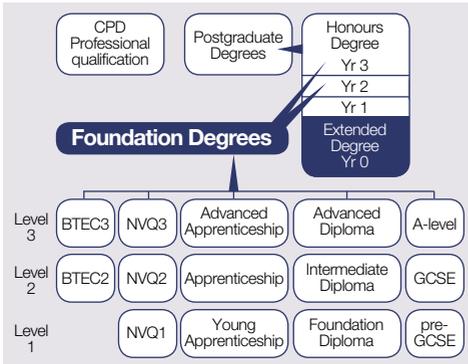
If you're unsure whether working or studying will be better for your career prospects, Foundation degrees are ideal. They're highly career-focused and developed in consultation with employers helping you earn while you learn, offered locally, combining study with large elements of work-based learning, a key aspect of Foundation degrees, to prepare you for a range of occupations. They're particularly valuable

if you're hoping to become a higher level technician or an associate professional like a legal executive, marketing consultant or human resource officer.

During your course, you'll develop a range of practical skills alongside your subject knowledge, such as teamwork, communication, problem solving, maths and IT and graduate attributes such as social responsibility, respect for others, intellectual depth, breadth and adaptability; learning and research skills; professionalism, employability – essential for work and future study.

Some courses are offered part-time so you can fit them around your other commitments. We've developed our Foundation degrees by working closely with local industry, employers and professional bodies, including: Hertfordshire Sports Village, Greenwich Leisure Limited and Cisco. That means our courses take account of the needs of the job market, opening up real employment opportunities. Employers can also send their staff on our Foundation degrees to help them develop their skills.

How do Foundation degrees fit with other qualifications?



You'll spend an initial year at one of our colleges, gaining skills like communications, IT, literacy and numeracy, as well as studying modules relevant to your planned degree. When you pass your initial year, you will continue on a relevant degree course at the University of Hertfordshire.

You can study a variety of Honours degrees as well as subjects within the Joint Honours programme (choosing more than one subject). There's a great range of degrees to choose from, including:

- Aerospace and Automotive Engineering
- Business
- Biology (including Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Human Physiology, Microbiology, Molecular Biology and Pharmacology)
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Environmental Management
- Geography
- Maths
- Pharmaceutical Science
- Psychology
- Physics and Astrophysics
- Sports Studies

Extended degree students often graduate with excellent degrees, leading to successful careers or postgraduate study.

Awarding bodies

All our Foundation and Extended degrees are validated and awarded by the University of Hertfordshire.

Guaranteed quality

The courses and facilities at our colleges – and at the University – are of a very high standard. We've been independently assessed by the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA), so you can rely on the quality of everything we offer. To read the QAA's reports, visit www.qaa.ac.uk

Extended degrees

If you want to study for a degree but your A level or BTEC grades aren't high enough for you to be able to enter an honours degree directly, an Extended Degree could be just what you are looking for.



An exciting and rewarding student experience

Student life's not all study, study, study... It's also a great time to make new friends, try new activities, discover new interests and have some fun.

It's all happening at the Students' Centre

You'll find lots of entertainment and plenty of events at every college. You can also join all sorts of societies based on hobbies, interests and activities – from rock climbing to volunteering in the community. As a Consortium student – and therefore a University of Hertfordshire student – you'll also be able to use the University Students' Union at its state-of-the-art entertainment complex, The Forum.

Find out more at www.forumhertfordshire.co.uk

Welcome to NUS

When you become a student, you'll get an NUS (National Union of Students) card. NUS looks after the interests of students across the country, and membership also gives you great discounts and perks: from money off high-street stores to cheaper cinema tickets.

All sorts of sports

As a Consortium student you can take part in sports clubs and use some pretty amazing facilities. There's everything from football to archery, so whether you're a complete beginner or a budding pro, here are the highlights.

You'll find the Hertfordshire Sports Village (www.hertssportsvillage.co.uk) on the University's de Havilland Campus. It's got some of the best university sports facilities in the country and it's open to everyone. It comes highly recommended too – Saracens Rugby Club, Arsenal Ladies FC, Badminton England and England Netball all train at the Sports Village. It was even included in the London 2012 Pre-Games Training Camp Guide.

Facilities include:

- 110-station health-and-fitness centre with the latest equipment.
- 25 m 8-lane indoor pool, built to national short-course competition standards.
- 12-court sports hall with sprung wooden floor for badminton, basketball, netball, volleyball and indoor football.
- 12 m high climbing wall.
- 4-net purpose-built indoor cricket hall. 3 grass football pitches and a rugby pitch.
- 2 floodlit third generation artificial pitches for football and rugby.
- A floodlit sand-dressed artificial turf pitch for hockey.
- 2 hard courts for tennis, netball or 5-a-side football.
- 2 squash courts.
- A physiotherapy and sports injury clinic.

At Hertford Regional College, the Broxbourne Campus has a full-sized sports hall for basketball, football, badminton, netball and aerobics, plus a fully equipped gym with cardio and resistance training machines. There's also easy access to Wodson Park Sports Complex from the Ware Campus.

The Hitchin Sports Complex at North Hertfordshire College has a multipurpose sports hall, squash court, fitness suite and floodlit all-weather pitch. Plus, you can use some facilities at Stevenage Fit4Less during the day for a discounted rate.

West Herts College's 'street' has a fully equipped gym that students can use and a health and beauty spa open to the public. It's next door to Watford Leisure Centre where you can use modern facilities at a discounted rate.

Oaklands College St Albans Campus has state of the art specialist workshops and design studios, a large multisports hall, gym and new floodlit artificial pitches. The Welwyn Campus offers dedicated music and media suites featuring industry standard hardware and software.

Outstanding learning resources

Whichever college you're at, you'll have a whole range of high-quality facilities at your fingertips, helping you get the most out of your studies and achieve your goals.

At your college...

You'll find all the resources you need for your course, like technology workshops, laboratories, IT suites, photographic studios and dark rooms, art and craft rooms, and dance and drama studios. You'll also have great library and computing facilities, including:

- Open-access computer workstations.
- A full range of software plus internet access.
- A powerful online library and resources management system, so you can access books, journals and electronic resources at all four colleges and the university.
- Access to online databases and journals.
- Expert staff to help you find everything you need.
- Support and facilities for presenting your coursework.

“ Both the college and the University supported me throughout my course with outstanding learning resources and dedicated teaching staff. ”

Julie Foster, Extended degree graduate.

At the University...

Hertfordshire is one of the best universities in the UK for using networked electronic systems to support learning.

Our state-of-the-art Learning Resources Centres (LRC) are open twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week during term time. There are 1,600 study places and 800 computer workstations in the College Lane Campus LRC and 1,000 study places with computer workstations in the de Havilland Campus LRC.



Supporting you every step of the way

As a student you'll be treated as a mature individual responsible for your own learning, but you'll also be part of a very supportive community, where help and advice are always at hand...

Personal tutors

Whichever college you choose, you'll have a personal tutor who'll help you settle in, explain what's expected of you, monitor your progress and help you get the support you need to achieve your goals.

Careers advice

When it comes to making decisions about your future, you'll be able to talk to experienced staff on your campus and at the University, as well as using library and computer resources.

Counselling and welfare

If you need to talk, we're here to listen. If you're worried about studies, finances, relationships or other personal matters, you can meet with our experienced counsellors or welfare officers in complete confidence.

Accommodation

If you live nearby, you've got the huge benefit of having high quality courses right on your doorstep, so you can save money by living at home. But, if you're new to the area or want a place of your own, each college can give you information and advice on finding local accommodation. The colleges don't have halls of residence, but you can apply for accommodation at the University of Hertfordshire.

Childcare

Some of the colleges can help you arrange childcare or even contribute to the cost. Talk to your college as early as possible to explore the options and book your child's place.

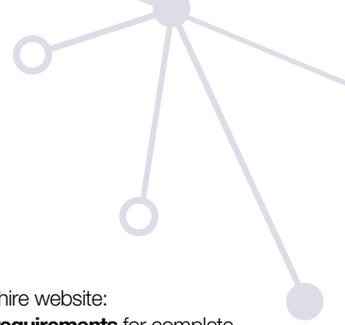


Disabled students

We're committed to making sure disabled students get the most out of student life, and each college has a dedicated team responsible for supporting you with all types of additional learning support needs. Talk to us as soon as possible so we can meet any special requirements you might have. If you're a UK student, we strongly recommend you find out if you're eligible for the Disabled Students' Allowance.

For more information, visit www.skill.org.uk and go.herts.ac.uk/equality





Entry requirements

All students need to have 120 UCAS points and an acceptable level 2 English Language and Maths qualification. This is normally GCSE at Grade C and above* or Functional skills at level 2. See the

University of Hertfordshire website: go.herts.ac.uk/entryrequirements for complete details.

UCAS Tariff									
GCE/VCE Qualifications			Advanced Diploma		BTEC Nationals			Diploma in Foundation Studies (Art & Design)	Points
GCE AS/ AS VCE	GCE A Level/ AVCE	AVCE Double Award	Progression Diploma	Advanced Diploma	Award	Certificate	Diploma		
				A					420
							DDD		360
			A*	B					350
							DDM		320
			A						300
								Distinction	285
				C			DMM		280
			B						250
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				D			MMP		210
		BB	C			DM			200
		BC							180
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		CC				MM	MPP		160
			D						150
	A*	CD		E					140
	A	DD			D	MP	PPP		120
	B	DE	E						100
	C	EE			M	PP			80
A	D								60
B									50
C	E				P				40
D									30
E									20

*For Creative Arts courses - GCSE Grade C in English Language and Grade D in Maths.

Extended Degree in Science, Extended Degree in Engineering and Technology and Foundation Degree in Animal Management also require GCSE grade C or above in Science.

Entry requirements

How does the UCAS tariff work?

When prospective students come to us, they have a huge variety of existing qualifications. The tariff system establishes equivalences between different qualifications, allowing us to make fair comparisons between applicants.

How does it help me?

The tariff makes it easy to see whether you've got the right qualifications to join one of our courses. It also allows us to keep our entry requirements flexible, so we can welcome people from all sorts of educational backgrounds.

How do I work out my points total?

Find all of your qualifications in the table opposite and add up your points scores. We count all qualifications within the tariff towards your points total. If you can't see yours in the table, there's a more extensive list at www.ucas.com

Just remember you can't double count the same or similar qualifications. For example, you can't count points for both an A level and an AS level (or a Scottish Advanced Higher and a Higher) in the same subject.

What if my qualification isn't in the tariff?

The tariff makes it easy to see whether you've got the right qualifications to join one of our courses. It also allows us to keep our entry requirements flexible, so we can welcome people from all sorts of educational backgrounds.

Returning to education?

Lots of our students are returning to study after a break and we're very supportive of that decision. We welcome applicants who might have finished secondary school some years ago and have since gained life and work experiences relevant to their course.

If you've already studied at college or university, or you've got equivalent work experience, we may be able to award you credit for what you've done. As a result, you may be exempt from some elements of your course. Please talk to the University or your preferred college.

Minor changes

This prospectus was printed in 2015. The published tariff was correct at the time of printing, however tariffs may be subject to minor changes for some courses. For the latest information, visit go.herts.ac.uk/consortium



Fees and funding

Tuition fees

As a full-time UK or EU student at one of the Consortium colleges, you don't have to pay fees upfront. Instead, you'll be able to apply for a tuition fee loan, which you'll only start paying back once you've finished your studies and are earning at least £21,000* a year. To find out more, visit www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance

For the 2016-17 academic year, the fee for each fulltime Foundation Degree at a Consortium college is £6,000 a year. The fee for a one year full-time Extended Degree is £6,000. For more information about fees, including for part-time students visit go.herts.ac.uk/fees

If you choose to progress to an honours degree at the University of Hertfordshire, after your Foundation degree, your fees for that year will be in line with the current University fee for your course.

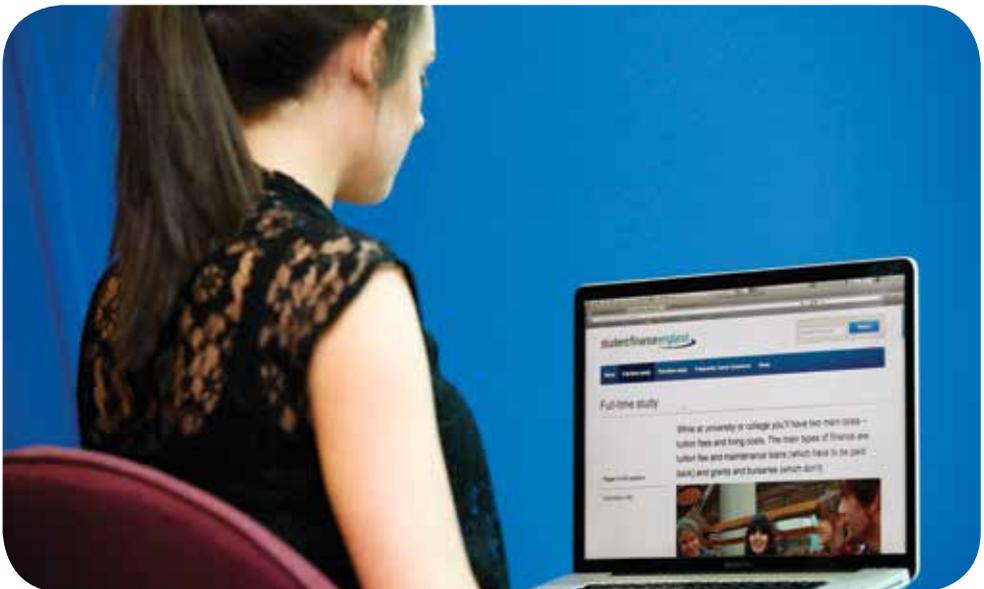
Living-cost loans

As well as the loan to cover your tuition fees, full-time UK undergraduates are eligible for a loan to support living costs. The amount you can borrow depends on your circumstances and whether you are living away from home. For more information visit www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance

Other forms of financial support

If you need any more advice or information on funding, you can talk to the University student services team at your chosen college or the university, in complete confidence. They'll be able to tell you about any additional sources of support you may be eligible for. If you think you might need a student loan to help with your tuition fees or living costs, make sure you apply to Student Finance England well ahead of the start of your course. Check out www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance for all the information.

*All figures correct at time of publication



How to apply

Once you've decided on the course for you, it's time to apply. We're here to make it as easy as possible, so if you need any help, just talk to your preferred college.

Through UCAS...

If you'd like to start a full-time Foundation Degree or Extended Degree, you'll need to apply through UCAS.

Visit www.ucas.com, click on 'apply' and follow the instructions. If you haven't got internet access at home, school or college, your local library or Online Centre may be able to help. To find your nearest centre, call 0800 77 1234. You can also call UCAS on 0371 468 0468.

Applications are normally made between 1 September and 15 January, including applications to art and design courses. Applications can also be made right up to 30 June, however some courses may close after the 15 January deadline.

Use the UCAS code and institution code listed for your chosen course (given in each course description). When the course is offered at more than one college, make sure you also put the campus code for your preferred college on your application form:

Hertford Regional College: **Campus Code H**
North Hertfordshire College: **Campus Code N**
Oaklands College: **Campus Code O**
West Herts College: **Campus Code W**

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“ I am really glad I chose to study at Foundation degree level. I feel better equipped with a sound understanding of what the Visual Merchandising industry is about and feel confident to progress on to study a BA Hons within this field. ”

Julie Foster, Visual Merchandising Foundation Degree graduate.

Part-time Foundation degree applications

If you would like to study with us part-time, please get in touch with your preferred college. Applications must be made on the standard university application form for part-time courses at go.herts.ac.uk/apply

Contacting the university

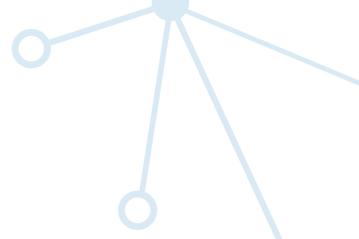
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09:00 - 16:00 Saturday and Sunday

Equal opportunities

The University of Hertfordshire and all Consortium colleges are committed to equal opportunities. Your chosen college can give you more information on its policies.



Foundation Degree Business*



This two-year course will equip you with all the skills you need to become a business leader of tomorrow. All business students study a common year before choosing to continue on a general business course or going on to specialise in their second year. You will study all the fundamentals of business within organisations, along with core functions including marketing, accounting, law and human resource management.

Which modules will I study?

First year

- Developing professional and employability skills
- Understanding and promoting a business
- Finance and accounting for business
- Managing people
- Business law
- Business applications

Second year

- Business environment
- Enterprise
- A project in your specialism
- Two optional modules as detailed on the following pages. Students choosing the general FdA Business route normally study one HR and one marketing module.
- E-business**
- Global business

What will the course be like?

To complement your studies, you'll have the opportunity to take part in a work-based learning project. This helps to bring your ideas to life, at the same time giving you invaluable work experience and practical knowledge of the world of business.

Why should I study here?

We have a great track record: two of our recent Foundation degree graduates started their own successful businesses.

** The Foundation Degree Business and associated Business pathways described on pages 20-23 is undergoing review during the current academic year (2015/16). Consequently the current structure and content of the programme will be subject to change from 2016/17 student entry. The changes to the course will be posted on www.herts.ac.uk and applicants to the programme will be contacted in writing to inform them of these changes.*

What are the entry requirements?

120 or more UCAS points which must be made up of at least one full GCE A level (A2), a BTEC National Diploma/Certificate or equivalent, Maths and English Language GCSE at Grade C or above (or equivalent).

Study route

Full-time 2 years

Part-time 2 years over 3 semesters per year

Institution code: H36

UCAS Code: N101

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- Oaklands College (Campus code: O)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

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Over the following pages, we've outlined the subjects you can choose to specialise in for your Second Year. All the entry requirements, study information and details of where the course can take you are the same as the Foundation degree in Business.

Where will it take me?

Your Foundation degree is a standalone qualification that allows you to enter the world of work. Past students have specialised in an academic or professional career, or taken jobs in finance, law, IT and other areas. If you'd like to continue your studies, the majority of our students progress to the second or final year at the University of Hertfordshire to achieve a BA(Hons).

*** For students studying Business with Law the module E-business is replaced with English and European Legal Systems and Procedures.*



Foundation Degree Business (Accounting)

If you have a keen interest in accounting and finance and how it applies to the world of business you can choose to specialise in these subjects in your second year. This will equip you with the basic skills in business and accounting that you need to start a career in this fascinating area.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 20 plus:

- Financial accounting
- Management accounting

What will the course be like?

Through a series of projects and case studies, you'll learn about the role of company accounting and finance, and how you can practically apply this knowledge in the world of work. You'll also gain an excellent grounding in general business practices.

UCAS code: N1N3

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Foundation Degree Business (Human Resource Management)



If you're interested in a career in Human Resources, this two-year course is the perfect choice, as it will give you a good general understanding of business organisations and their main processes.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 20 plus:

- Recruitment, selection and induction
- Performance management and employee involvement

What will the course be like?

You will acquire an excellent grounding in general business practices before going on to look in more detail at the human resources function within business organisations.

UCAS code: N1N6

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)



Foundation Degree Business (Information Systems)

If you want to pursue a career in business, this course is the perfect starting place. It will equip you with the skills you need in your chosen career, giving you a good understanding of core business and how the management of information can facilitate good business decisions.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 20 plus:

- Systems analysis and design
- Information management

What will the course be like?

This course will provide an excellent grounding in general business practices before allowing you to go on to study information systems within business organisations in more detail.

UCAS code: N112

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- Oaklands College (Campus code: O)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)



Foundation Degree Business (Law)

This two-year course offers a great opportunity for you to develop both general and specific business skills. You will specialise in business law, with in-depth learning on contract law and employment law.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 20 plus:

- Applied contract law
- Employment law
- English and European Legal Systems and Procedures

UCAS code: N1MC

Institution code: H36

Location

- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

What will the course be like?

Your learning will be delivered through projects and case studies, and you will also have the opportunity to take part in work-based learning with local and national employers. The cases you work on will be supported by examples from the courtroom, and you will also learn practical applications of the law, such as how to bring a case to an employment tribunal. During the course you'll also develop necessary skills that are highly sought after by employers.



Foundation Degree Business (Marketing)

This Foundation degree is designed for anyone with an interest in the way businesses promote themselves. The two-year course will give you a general understanding of business organisations and their main processes, with an emphasis on marketing.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 20 plus:

- Marketing in practice
- Relationship Management

What will the course be like?

This course covers a range of modules, including core business functions. In your second year you will take a work-based marketing-focused project with an employer, giving you a great opportunity to apply your skills and knowledge in a practical environment.

UCAS code: N1N5

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)



Foundation Degree Computing Technologies

This Foundation degree gives you an excellent grounding in computing, offering a good insight into different programming techniques and an understanding of databases and networks in a business environment. You will gain knowledge of general computing techniques in your first year before going on to specialise in your chosen area in your second year.

Which modules will I study?

First year

- Developing professional and employability skills
- Understanding programming
- Further programming
- Computer systems architecture
- Understanding databases and data analysis
- Computer networks and introduction to wireless
- Systems analysis

Second year

- Advanced programming and paradigms
- Designing for user experience
- Computing in business
- Web applications and mobile technologies
- Work based learning project
- Plus two modules from your specialism

What will the course be like?

When you've completed your first year, you will have the opportunity to specialise in media systems, networks or software development in your second year. You'll also be developing your professional and employability skills.

Why should I study here?

This qualification will prepare you for the world of work. Your work-based learning module will give you invaluable experience and develop your understanding of how computing technologies impact an organisation.

What are the entry requirements?

120 or more UCAS points which must be made up of at least one full GCE A level (A2), a BTEC National Diploma/Certificate or equivalent, and GCSE Maths and English Language (or equivalent) at Grade C or above.

Study route

Full-time 2 years
Part-time 2 years over 3 semesters

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H) – full-time only
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

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Over the following pages, we have outlined the subjects you can choose to specialise in for your second year.

Where will it take me?

Your Foundation degree is a standalone qualification. From here, you may want to progress your studies and take a BSc(Hons) in Computer Science at the University of Hertfordshire or move straight into employment in your specialist area – some examples of potential career paths are listed under the various specialisms on the next page.



Foundation Degree Computing Technologies (Media Systems)

You will gain a basic understanding of the issues that arise when working with digital multimedia on this pathway, as well as studying the historical development of games, educational products and e-commerce. You'll also learn how to plan a multimedia project as well as studying aspects of creating and packaging an entertainment product for market.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 24 plus:

- Entertainment systems (1)
- Entertainment systems (2)

Where will it take me?

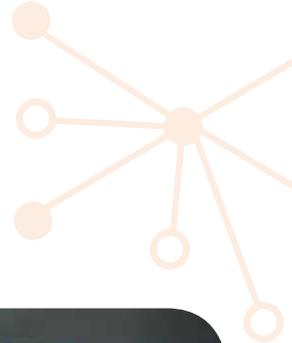
When you have finished your Foundation degree you will be able to take up employment in a wide range of roles in the entertainment and multimedia industries, including animator, game designer, interactive writer, video producer and web developer. Alternatively, you may want to progress your studies and take a BSc(Hons) in Computer Science at the University of Hertfordshire.

UCAS code: I150

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)



Foundation Degree Computing Technologies (Networks)

If you choose this pathway, you will complete modules that give you an in-depth insight into the nature of computer networks, as well as experience of the practical application of networks and how they are used within organisations.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 24 plus:

- Advanced networking (1)
- Advanced networking (2)

UCAS code: I120

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Where will it take me?

When you have completed this Foundation degree, you'll be able to take up a wide range of roles, including network technician, network administrator, wireless specialist and network security engineer. Alternatively, you may want to progress your studies and take a BSc(Hons) in Computer Science at the University of Hertfordshire.



Foundation Degree Computing Technologies (Software Development)

This course will give you a practical grounding in emerging software development technologies. You will develop your understanding of these, culminating in a practical project where you will extend your knowledge by fulfilling a project specification.

Which modules will I study?

Modules include all those listed on page 24 plus:

- Software development (1)
- Software development (2)

Where will it take me?

When you have completed your Foundation degree you will be prepared for a career developing, engineering and producing software. This could be within a software specialist or within any organisation that develops and maintains in-house software.

UCAS code: I310

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Potential roles include software developer, software engineer, web programmer, systems analyst or game developer. Alternatively, you may want to progress your studies and take a BSc(Hons) in Computer Science at the University of Hertfordshire.



Foundation Degree Creative Arts

This exciting range of Foundation degrees provides an excellent grounding in the creative arts and is perfect for anyone looking to enhance their creative and technical skills. It incorporates a range of learning focused on developing your understanding and skills in the creative industries. You will study the same core modules regardless of the specialism you choose but your projects, coursework and work based learning will generally be themed around and developed to suit your specific area of interest. Three modules will be entirely specific to your chosen subject.

Which modules will I study?

First Year

- Work based learning: developing professional practice and employability skills
- Historical and contemporary context
- Creative languages
- Creative problem solving
- Creative vocational practice*

Second Year

- Work based learning project: professional practice
- Contextual studies
- Cultural and ethical debate
- Portfolio development*
- Final major project*

**these modules, accounting for over one third of the course, will be specific to your chosen subject.*

Why should I study here?

You will gain valuable experience through the presentation of your final year project, be it a screening or exhibition. It's the perfect opportunity to build up your industry contacts as you show off your skills and showcase your work to distinguished guests and the local press.

Where will it take me?

Your Foundation degree is a standalone qualification which will prepare you for a broad range of roles in the creative industries. If you'd prefer to continue your studies, you can progress to an appropriate Honours degree either at the University of Hertfordshire or at another institution.

What are the entry requirements?

120 or more UCAS points which must be made up of at least one full GCE A level (A2), a BTEC National Diploma/Certificate or equivalent, plus GCSE grade C or above in English Language and grade D in Maths or equivalent). Students also complete an interview process prior to acceptance on to the course.

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The University of Hertfordshire

Over the following pages, we've outlined the areas you can choose to specialise in during your studies. The entry requirements are the same for all of these courses.



Foundation Degree Fashion and Textiles

This course allows you to explore a variety of techniques and skills associated with the fashion and textile industry including printed and constructed textile techniques, and associated processes and technologies.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on fashion and textiles.

What will the course be like?

You will be responding to 'live' and vocational briefs, along with visits to exhibitions, galleries and retailers as you learn how to target a market and respond to the needs of the fashion industry. You will develop a portfolio and your own collections giving you the opportunity to demonstrate creative and technical skills.

UCAS code: W232

Institution code: H36

Location

- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Study route

Full-time 2 years





Foundation Degree Fine Art Practice

Encompassing a whole spectrum of artistic methods, this degree involves the pursuit of visual languages and imagery that hold particular meaning and significance to the artist.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on fine art practice and techniques.

What will the course be like?

During the course you'll investigate a number of aspects including drawing, painting, sculpture, printmaking, digital applications, film, performance, textiles and photography. You'll be encouraged to develop as an independent practitioner and regularly exhibit your work.

UCAS code: W190

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)

Study route

Full-time 2 years

Foundation Degree Graphic Design

Ideas are at the heart of this exciting course, with a strong emphasis on practical experimental work. Vocational projects will inspire you to provide communication and design solutions in the areas of publishing, advertising, corporate work, publicity information and new and emerging media.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on graphic design.

What will the course be like?

You'll be responding to vocationally based briefs in a creative and considered way, evaluating and analysing your work as you progress. You will be introduced to the issues of analytical, aesthetic and theoretical frameworks as used in the industry.

UCAS code: W216

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Study route

Full-time 2 years





Foundation Degree Illustration

Illustration is all about translating the requirements of your client into visual communication. This course helps you to challenge your personal thinking, processes and attitudes, teaching you how to focus on, and respond to, client briefs.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on Illustration techniques.

What will the course be like?

The course embraces all aspects of illustration, including traditional drawing, printmaking, photography and digital technologies.

By visiting exhibitions and museums you'll also gain a clear understanding of analysis and frameworks used by the industry.

UCAS code: W220

Institution code: H36

Location

- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Study route

Full-time 2 years



Foundation Degree Three Dimensional Design

This course will allow you to develop a comprehensive understanding of the skills and processes involved in the field of Three Dimensional Design. You will have the opportunity to participate in work placements, educational visits and to enter competitions.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on three dimensional design techniques.

What will the course be like?

In Year 1, you will develop your practical and theoretical skills. You will be dealing with the design and making a range of functional objects and the design of environments and interiors. During Year 2, you will have the chance to focus on one or more specialist areas in order to reflect your own interests

UCAS code: W201

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)

Study route

Full-time 2 years

and career ambitions. You will create your own portfolio of design work to showcase your individual skills.



Foundation Degree Media Production

This course covers a wide range of subjects across video and media production, preparing you fully for a career in this exciting industry.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on media production techniques.

What will the course be like?

You'll study a broad selection of topics, including short film drama or documentary production. You will also take part in modules that develop your professional skills and work-based learning experience. These modules are designed to equip you to enter a highly competitive industry, and help you to develop your skills and competitive edge. This course places a strong emphasis on getting you ready for work in the creative industries.

UCAS code: W283

Institution code: H36

Location

- Oaklands College (Campus code: O)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Study route

Full-time 2 years





Foundation Degree Photography

This course is the perfect opportunity to develop your technical and photography skills to a high level. It places a strong emphasis on experimental work, giving you the freedom to discover your own individual style. The practical elements are supported by visits to exhibitions and museums, helping to expand your industry knowledge.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on photographic techniques.

UCAS code: W640

Institution code: H36

Location

- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

Study route

Full-time 2 years

What will the course be like?

You'll be responding to live briefs, practising your photography and evaluating your own work as the course progresses. All the projects on the course are geared towards commercial practice, and you will develop a portfolio that will be an important asset, demonstrating examples of work to potential employers or for entry to university.



Foundation Degree Visual Merchandising

A mixture of business and creativity, visual merchandising is one of the most important aspects of marketing for major retailers. It can influence and impact the level of sales and success of a business, and this course equips you with the skills you'll need to work in this arena. For inspiration visit www.hrcfda.com to see examples of our students' work. Last year's students were successfully commissioned to design and produce the stunning Michael Morpurgo theatre signage.

Which modules will I study?

You will study all of the modules outlined on page 27 with a specific emphasis on visual merchandising techniques.

UCAS code: WN22

Institution code: H36

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)

Study route

Full-time 2 years

What will the course be like?

You'll discover all the secrets behind visual merchandising, including how to source stunning materials, graphics and equipment. You'll also have the opportunity to work on photoshoots, learning how to promote the latest fashion and home furnishing concepts.





Foundation Degree Early Years

This course is a great next step if you have already got a Level 3 qualification and experience in childcare. Developed in consultation with childcare employers it's designed to give you the valuable skills employers really need.

Which modules will I study?

First Year

- Legislation and legal responsibilities for the children's workforce
- Continuing personal and professional development
- The developing child
- Developing professional practice in the workplace

Second Year

- Early Years frameworks for children aged 0-7; Principles into practice
- Approaches to research in early years
- Leading and managing in children's workforce settings
- Integrated working in the children's workforce

What will the course be like?

On this exciting course you will build on your current experience in working with children. In addition you will study a range of modules relevant to the sector. We'll be assessing you through assignments, case studies, presentations and other forms of assignment tasks.

Why should I study here?

Highly experienced staff, excellent employer relationships and a newly updated curriculum will enable you to develop your existing knowledge to a higher level in a supportive environment. Your increased ability to think critically and reflect on your practice will enable you to further your career or continued study.

Where will it take me?

Your Foundation Degree is a standalone qualification that will enable you to work as a senior practitioner. Once you successfully complete your studies, you can move on to the two-year part-time BA (Hons) in Education Studies at the University of Hertfordshire.

What are the entry requirements?

A relevant Level 3 qualification, eg. a CACHE Diploma in Childcare and Education and to be able to demonstrate appropriate workplace experience; GCSE English Language and Maths at grade C or above (or equivalent). You'll also need to possess, or be able to obtain an acceptable DBS or other safeguarding check as consistent with government guidelines by the start of this course. A paid or voluntary job in an early years setting is required for part-time applicants.

Study route

Part-time 2 years – 1 day per week over 3 semesters

Full-time 2 years over 2 semesters

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- Oaklands College (Campus code: O)
- North Hertfordshire College - part-time only (Campus code: N)
- West Herts College (Campus code: W)

UCAS code: X302 (full-time applications)

Part-time applications, apply direct to the University of Hertfordshire, see p19 for details.

Institution code: H36

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Students may also have the opportunity to apply to a one-year full-time BA (Hons) in Education Studies at the University of Hertfordshire and elsewhere. Applicants wishing to progress their career further into the teaching profession will need to acquire GCSEs in Maths and English at Grade C or above.



BEng/BSc Honours Extended Degree in Engineering & Technology

If you'd like to study for a degree in engineering but don't have the right qualifications, you can apply for this BEng/ BSc Extended degree. It's a one year introductory maths and engineering course preparing you to continue your degree at the University of Hertfordshire.

Which modules will I study?

- Engineering studies and skills
- Mathematics 1
- Engineering science
- Digital and Software Applications in Engineering
- Mathematics 2
- Mechanical science
- Electrical Science And Digital Technology
- Engineering project

What will the course be like?

Depending on your choice, you can take this course full-time over four years or five years with a work-placement, which includes integrated industrial training. In your initial year you'll cover all the fundamental areas you need to work in the engineering industry, including materials and mechanical science, maths and statistics and electronics. This will provide you with the knowledge required to progress to the BEng or MEng qualification (dependent on your results).

Why should I study here?

This course provides you with an opportunity to build your understanding of engineering in a college environment enabling you to continue on your degree course. Initial year students have the added benefit of studying one day a week at the University of Hertfordshire's engineering facilities.

Where will it take me?

When you've passed your initial year, you will be eligible to continue your studies on an engineering degree at the University of Hertfordshire. Many of our students take courses in aerospace engineering, automotive technology or engineering management.

**5 years if a work placement year is also included.*

What are the entry requirements?

120 or more UCAS points which must be made up of at least one full GCE A level (A2) usually including at least one science subject, a BTEC National Diploma/Certificate or equivalent, and GCSE Grade C or above in Maths, English Language and Science (or equivalent).

Study route

Full-time (4 years including 1 year introductory course)*

Location

- Hertford Regional College (Campus code: H)
- Oaklands College (Campus code: O)
- Also available at Barnet and Southgate College (Campus code: B)

UCAS code:

Depends on subject choice – check UCAS for details

Institution code: H36

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BSc

Extended Degree in Science

If you'd like to study for a degree in science but don't yet have the right qualifications, you can apply for this BSc Extended degree. It's a one year introductory science and maths course preparing you to continue your degree at the University of Hertfordshire.

Which modules will I study?

- Introductory Biology
- Introductory Chemistry
- Introductory Physics
- Individual project
- You will also have a range of optional modules to choose from related to your chosen degree specialism.

Students will be required to take either Mathematics for Scientists, or Mathematics in semester A, with Mathematics being optional in Semester B for those who have taken Mathematics for Scientists.

What will the course be like?

You will gain a good grounding in science modules that will prepare you for progression to your chosen degree specialism at the University of Hertfordshire. You'll be assessed through coursework, exams, presentations and practical assignments.

Why should I study here?

You will have the opportunity to build the knowledge and understanding required to continue on your degree course. Many of our Extended Degree students go on to graduate with very good degrees, leading to successful careers in their chosen specialism or postgraduate study.

Where will it take me?

When you've successfully completed this initial year you'll be able to carry on with your degree studies at the University of Hertfordshire. Depending on your grades, you have the option of a number of science degrees, including Physics, Astrophysics, Radiography and Imaging, Geography and Pharmacy, plus a range of subjects on the Joint Honours programme.

What are the entry requirements?

120 or more UCAS points which must be made up of at least one full GCE A level (A2), a BTEC National Diploma/Certificate or equivalent, and four subjects at GCSE Grade C or above including maths, English and science (or equivalent). We also consider applications from those returning to study or with equivalent qualifications or relevant work experience.

Study route

Full-time (4 years including 1 year introductory course)*

Location

- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code: N)

UCAS code:

Depends on subject choice – check UCAS for details

Institution code: H36

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**5 years if a work placement year is also included.*

Foundation Degree Sports Studies

This course covers three main areas: sports management, sports coaching, and fitness and sports development. It's designed to prepare you for a career in the sport and leisure industry or act as a stepping stone to a higher educational level.

Which modules will I study?

First Year

- Performance and Movement Analysis
- Sports Industry Management
- Social Aspects of Sports and Exercise
- Coaching Sports, Exercise and Fitness
- Professional Development for the Sports and Exercise Industry
- Sports Marketing
- Fundamentals of Sports Development

Second Year

- Principles of Sports Science Support
- Sports Event Management
- Research Skills for Sports Studies
- Work Based Learning
- Applied Coaching Techniques
- Socio-Cultural Dynamics of Sports and Exercise
- Sports, Health and Exercise Issues

What will the course be like?

This course will be highly interactive and provide you with a contemporary and vocational skill set that is underpinned by academic theory. You will be supported to gain sports coaching qualifications for which you will gain academic credit and which will enhance your portfolio of coaching experience.

This course has a vocational focus. You'll have the opportunity to test the knowledge you gain in the classroom within a relevant employment setting as part of your work based learning module.

What are the entry requirements?

120 or more UCAS points which must be made up of at least one full GCE A level (A2), a BTEC National Diploma/Certificate or equivalent, and GCSEs English Language, Maths at Grade C or above (or equivalent). We also consider applications from those returning to study with equivalent qualifications or with relevant work experience.

Study route

Full-time 2 years

Location

- North Hertfordshire College (Campus code N)
- Oaklands College (Campus code O)
- West Herts College (Campus code W)

UCAS code: C601

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Why should I study here?

You'll have access to outstanding facilities at your college and at the University. Coaching modules are taught at the state-of-the-art Hertfordshire Sports Village on the University's de Havilland campus.

Where will it take me?

Our vocationally focused Foundation degree will equip you with all the skills and knowledge you need for a career in the industry. When you've successfully finished you can either start employment straight away, or, depending on your grades you could move onto the final year of a full Honours degree at the University of Hertfordshire.



Foundation Degree Animal Management

If you're interested in a career managing or caring for animals, this is the course for you. It will equip you with the advanced specialist knowledge and skills valued by employers within the industry.

Which modules will I study?

First Year

- Personal development planning
- Small and exotic animal husbandry
- Anatomy and physiology
- Animal nutrition
- Animal health
- Livestock husbandry and welfare
- Animal physiology

Second Year

- Law in land based industry
- Enterprise and business ethics
- Investigative methods
- Introduction to animal behaviour science
- Animal reproduction and technology
- Animal conservation
- Work related project

What will the course be like?

You'll be examining the science behind a wide range of aspects of the industry, as well as developing your vocational skills and knowledge.

Why should I study here?

We have very strong links with potential employers, who provide a large proportion of your work-based learning, giving you a distinct advantage when you're starting your career.

Where will it take me?

Your Foundation degree is a standalone qualification, so when you've completed it you'll be well prepared for a career in the industry. Many of our past students have taken jobs in animal charity organisations, animal boarding establishments, local authority or government agencies and animal collections. If you'd like to continue your studies, you'll be able to apply for Honours degrees in the same sector.

What are the entry requirements?

120 or more UCAS points which must be made up of at least one full 4-unit A level (A2), a BTEC National Certificate, City & Guilds Diploma or equivalent, and GCSEs at Grade C or above including Maths, English Language and Science or equivalents

Non-Standard Entry

Applicants not within the categories described above, but who can demonstrate through relevant work experience, that they can succeed on the programme will be considered on an individual basis.

We also consider applications from those returning to study, with equivalent qualifications or with relevant work experience.

Please contact Oaklands for more details.

Study route

Full-time 2 years
Part-time 4 years

Location

- Oaklands College (Campus code O)

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This prospectus

This prospectus is primarily intended for use by prospective students who are interested in applying for a place on a University of Hertfordshire course starting in the 2016/17 academic year that is delivered at one of the four Hertfordshire Higher Education Consortium colleges (the "Colleges"). We try our best to make sure that the information in the prospectus is accurate and up to date at the time of publication (September 2015). However, we cannot guarantee that it does not contain any errors and to the fullest extent permitted by law we do not accept liability for such errors. If you believe you have found an error, please let us know at ask@herts.ac.uk.

Even where the information was accurate at the time of publication, we may need to update it from time to time, for example as a result of the way in which the University of Hertfordshire (the "University") and/or the Colleges continually seek to improve their academic provision and take on board feedback from students and other stakeholders, or in order to take account of circumstances that have changed since publication.

Any corrections or updates to information originally published in this prospectus will be set out on the University's website at <http://www.herts.ac.uk/apply>.

For up to date information about the courses and the University's arrangements with the Colleges, please view the University's website at <http://www.herts.ac.uk/apply/schools-of-study/hertfordshire-higher-education-consortium>. For information about life at the Colleges, please also view their individual websites (addresses are given in the prospectus).

Applications

Please note that nothing in this prospectus is intended to constitute an offer of a place to any prospective student. If you wish to study on one of the courses advertised in this prospectus, you will need to make a formal application, following which you will be informed whether you are being offered a place. You should make your application to the University (via UCAS, where applicable). This is because these courses are offered by the University even though they are delivered on behalf of the University by the Colleges.

Your relationship with us

If you are offered, and accept a place on a course advertised in this prospectus you will become a member of a community which enjoys many rights and privileges. You will also be expected to accept a number of responsibilities in the interests of the community as a whole. These rights and responsibilities form part of the contractual relationship that will exist between you and the University. Although your primary contractual relationship will be with the University, you will also be registered as a student of the College where the course is delivered.

If you are interested in applying for a place on a course, you can find further information about the nature of this primary contractual relationship in the University's *Key Facts Document* and *Fees and Finance Policy* for 2016/17 entry which are available on its website at <http://www.herts.ac.uk/apply>. A copy of these documents will also be sent to you by the University if you are offered a place.

Amongst many other things, the *Key Facts Document* sets out the standards which the University will strive to ensure are met if you accept an offer of a place for entry in the 2016/17 academic year, and the circumstances in which changes may be made to your course before you finish. It also provides further specific information about your position as a "Consortium student", such as which institution you should raise a complaint with if something goes wrong.

University facilities

If you accept a place on a course advertised in this prospectus, you will generally have the same right to access and use the University's facilities as other students of the University, upon the same terms and conditions.

Important note

Finally, please bear in mind that in order to provide information to prospective students as early as possible in the academic cycle, this prospectus is published a long time in advance of most offers being made. In the case therefore of any inconsistency between anything in this prospectus and anything in your offer letter (if you are offered a place) or the documents that are sent with your offer letter, the information in your offer letter and these other documents should be relied upon.

Open Days

Oaklands College

St Albans Campus

Saturday 7 November 2015 10am – 3pm

Tuesday 9 February 2016 5pm – 8pm

Tuesday 26 April 2016 5pm – 7pm

Wednesday 31 August 2016 5pm – 8pm

Welwyn Garden City

Wednesday 11 November 2015 5pm – 8pm

Wednesday 10 February 2016 5pm – 8pm

Wednesday 27 April 2016 5pm – 7pm

Thursday 1 September 2016 5pm – 8pm

North Hertfordshire College

Hitchin Campuses

Tuesday 10th November 2015

Wednesday 3rd February 2016

Thursday 12th May 2016

Hertford Regional College

Broxbourne and Ware Campuses

Wednesday 21 October 2015 - 5.30pm - 8pm

Tuesday 24 November 2015 - 5.30pm - 8pm

Saturday 27 February 2016 - 10am - 2pm

Wednesday 11 May 2016 - 5.30pm - 8pm

West Herts College

Watford Campus

Saturday 14 November 2015

Saturday 5 March 2016

University of Hertfordshire

Saturday 10 October 2015

Sunday 11 October 2015

Sunday 1 November 2015

Saturday 19 March 2016

Saturday 4 June 2016

Saturday 8 October 2016

Sunday 9 October 2016

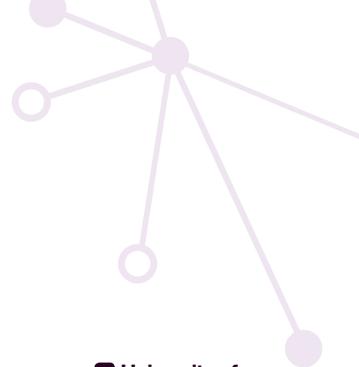
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Registration

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College locations...

Colleges and Campuses

Hertford Regional College

- 1 Broxbourne Campus
- 2 Ware Campus

North Hertfordshire College

- 3 Centre for the Arts (Hitchin) Campus
- 3 Hitchin Campus
- 4 Letchworth Garden City Campus
- 5 Stevenage Campus

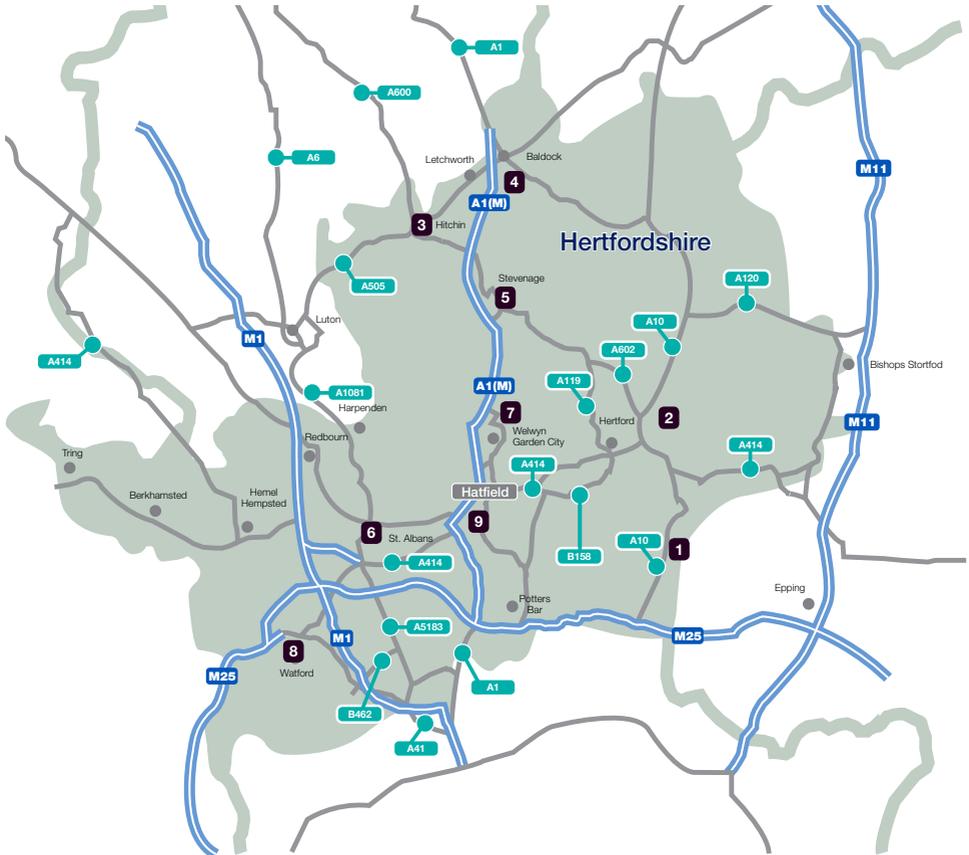
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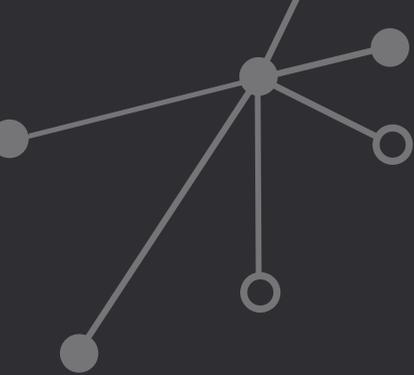
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