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WELCOME TO UNIVERSITY CENTRE SOUTH DEVON

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to University Centre South Devon (UCSD), and thank you for considering us as the people to help you achieve your goals.

Here at UCSD, everything is centred on your experience as a student, and helping you make the most of your time here. We have an unwavering passion for learning, and take great pride in our programmes of study. We offer a wide range of opportunities that enable you to progress into employment and give you the platform to excel.

We received a glowing report from the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) based on results from a four-day Higher Education Review. In 2017, UCSD was awarded 'Gold', the highest level possible, by the Teaching Excellence Framework, which recognises outstanding teaching within our university-level curriculum.

We maintain the very highest academic standards and support your personal development, as well as your wider graduate skills. As a top-ranking provider in England for student satisfaction, we work incredibly closely with our students. So you can be sure that we will meet your needs and take your views into account.

We deliver many of our higher education programmes in partnership with the University of Plymouth, with whom we share an incredibly strong relationship.

This means that you will be gaining a prestigious qualification from a first-class institution that is recognised by employers worldwide. You will also have the opportunity to progress to the third year of an associated course, either here at UCSD, or at the University of Plymouth.

We take great pride in the success of our students, and our tutors and lecturers find no greater satisfaction than seeing our past students go on to achieve great and remarkable things, which happens year after year.

So, please feel free to visit our campus by attending one of our open days or information events, and see for yourself how we can help shape your future. I'm confident that you will be impressed by everything that we have to offer, and will see that we can support you to succeed. Thank you, once again, for considering us, and I look forward to welcoming you in September 2020.

Stephen Criddle OBE
Principal and CEO

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5 REASONS TO STUDY AT UNIVERSITY CENTRE SOUTH DEVON

UNIVERSITY CENTRE SOUTH DEVON

Our degrees have been designed to help you progress into employment, and also develop the skills you need to excel in your chosen career.

Our students' opinions and feedback define everything that we do. This is why our university provision focuses on five key principles, which our students have identified as most important to them.

There are countless reasons to study with us, but we think that these five make us a unique higher education provider and the best place for you to study your degree.

1 LOCALITY

We offer a platform to achieve your goals here in the South West. Our curriculum is developed with employers to ensure that you develop graduate skills that the local employment market requires. You'll not only save money by staying closer to home, but play your part in ensuring the prosperity of South Devon, and beyond.

2 SUPPORT

A key feature of our university programmes is the exceptional support we provide for students. We are passionate about providing dedicated and bespoke support services to help you make the most of your time here and to maximise your potential. We have an experienced team who offer a range of services, while regular one-to-one contact time with your personal tutor guarantees your professional and personal development.

3 ACCESSIBILITY

We hold the principles of equality and opportunity for all in the highest regard. That's why our degrees are designed to be accessible for anyone, regardless of personal circumstances. We endeavour to make reasonable adjustments and remove any barriers to your learning. We also offer flexible timetables-to minimise the impact studying has on your personal life and responsibilities.

4 COMMUNITY

When you study at UCSD, you will be part of our community, which is built upon a supportive culture of excellence. Because our programmes are delivered in partnership with the University of Plymouth, you will also be a member of their student body, in addition to being embedded within the local community as part of your course of study.

5 EXCELLENCE

When you put all of this together, it results in an excellent learning environment that gives you every opportunity to succeed. By sharing our passion for success and excellence with you, we can help you achieve your goals.

TEF Gold Teaching Excellence Framework

ON YOUR DOORSTEP

1 LOCALITY

Studying at UCSD gives you the opportunity to gain a top-quality degree in the heart of Torbay, ensuring that you not only achieve your ambitions, but also immerse yourself in beautiful South Devon's coast and countryside.

We work extremely closely with local businesses and organisations to guarantee that our curriculum remains relevant to future employment opportunities. Our programmes are designed with their input, so the skills you learn are in high demand in industry and will drastically increase your job prospects when you graduate.

Our work with employers helps talent realise its potential here in South Devon, making it the cornerstone of economic growth in the local economy. With a multitude of projects planned or already underway in the South West, there have never been more opportunities for graduates, as businesses seek skilled practitioners in the local area.

For instance, Animal Science students have worked with local zoos, Digital and Media students have developed live briefs for local enterprises such as Living Coasts; and Construction students have participated in restoration projects at heritage sites.

Our entire curriculum has opportunities for work experience so you can develop practical skills, as well as making valuable contacts with employers to get an early foothold in industry.

If you're local to Torbay, studying at home could save you money by reducing your living, travel and rent costs. It means you won't have to put your life on hold while you're studying, and makes getting a degree convenient, manageable and affordable. You will still be getting a university experience, but with the benefit of being able to balance your family, work and social commitments.

You will also be able to enjoy access to South Devon College's brand new Sports Centre and Hi Tech & Digital Centre.

SOUTH DEVON COLLEGE SPORTS CENTRE

The brand new facility comprises a latest generation all weather 3G pitch, changing rooms, community room teaching space and a Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) pitch. It will act as a central sports hub for College students as well as inspiring residents across South Devon in using the facilities for a wide range of sports and activities including football, basketball and netball.

HI TECH & DIGITAL CENTRE

The Centre will provide individuals with the skills that employers need to support their growth in a range of important local hi-tech businesses such as: electronics, lasers, fibre, satellite and communications, aerospace, marine, medical and big data analytics. The offer will also extend to creative industries, including gaming, app design, digital design, film and digital media, smart clothing and textiles and many others.

2 SUPPORT

We believe that every student should have dedicated regular access to the support they need to graduate and achieve their goals. This is why we have an experienced support team on hand to support you personally and professionally throughout your studies.

We offer a comprehensive range of services, including academic, pastoral and financial support. From day one, you will know exactly who can help you and how.

PERSONAL TUTORS

Spending time with your tutor is paramount, not just to your learning, but also to your personal and professional development. We pride ourselves on having smaller, more focused class sizes, as well as extensive one-to-one tutorials – giving you the chance to have dedicated contact time with your tutor and ensuring that you always know what your next step will be.

Your personal tutor will support you with issues relating to your academic study as well as pastoral support and personal development. All of our staff members are either active practitioners in their field of specialism, or have strong links within industry, making them perfectly placed to advise you on career and progression opportunities

Our supportive and close-knit learning environment means that tutors don't just take an interest in your success at UCSD, but also in all of your future endeavours.

EMPLOYABILITY

Employability is at the core of the design and delivery of our courses. So, when you graduate, you'll have acquired specialist knowledge and developed a highly advanced technical and transferable skill set to help you enter employment or further study.

Within your programme, there will be opportunities for you to engage with employers and gain work-related experience, through activities such as live projects, placements and industry visits.

We offer a range of extra-curricular opportunities to enhance your employability, including employability-themed workshops, events and a work experience bursary.

You can also seek one-to-one support with searching and applying for: part-time, and graduate vacancies; undertaking work experience and volunteering; and developing CVs and job applications.

DISABILITY AND WELLBEING

The health and wellbeing of all our students is highly important. We welcome students with physical, mental or learning disabilities.

We will make reasonable adjustments to support you where necessary, providing assistance with access requests and needs. Our friendly support team will also give you guidance on additional financial support, such as the Disabled Students' Allowance, and will help you apply to ensure that you can concentrate fully on your studies.

WORKSHOPS

We run workshops throughout the year - on topics including referencing, researching and critical thinking - to prepare and support you with your studies.

'Prepare for HE' workshops are run over the summer months prior to your commencement of studies at various days and times to fit around busy lives and schedules. These workshops consist of the core academic skills you will be expected to use during your studies. Anyone can attend these workshops - whether you want to gain further understanding or develop the skills you already have. Workshops during the academic year are tailor-made and carefully considered to work collaboratively with the programmes. They run at various days and times to work around your schedule.

FOCUSING AND VALUING YOU

ACHIEVE WITH UCSD

3 ACCESSIBILITY

Our degrees are designed to be accessible for all. Whatever your personal circumstances, you can find a mode of study that helps you achieve your aspirations.

We make studying for a degree achievable by ensuring that you're timetabled for no more than three days each week. This means that you'll have more personal time whilst managing your studies. In addition, most of our courses can be studied part-time, which makes studying even more flexible.

Travelling to UCSD is very easy. We have ample parking at affordable rates, as well as excellent public transport links. We remain committed to providing equal opportunities for all, and can make reasonable adjustments to help support you where necessary.

So, if you have any concerns or issues that you believe may impact your learning, we can work with you to create a tailored support plan.

If you are responsible for young children, the site has access to Mama Bear's Day Nursery and Pre-School, which offers affordable and high-quality childcare. Mama Bear's provides childcare for children aged from three months to five years, which means you can focus on your studies in the knowledge that your child is cared for in a safe and friendly environment.

In short, our dedicated and extensive support services and networks mean that whatever your situation, we can remove the barriers to your learning and give you the platform to excel in your chosen career.

BURSARIES

We are committed to supporting our university students with a number of bursary packages, which you will receive if you meet particular criteria. Bursaries, which are not repaid, are awarded in addition to any grants, loans or funding received through Student Finance England.

You could be eligible to receive up to £1000 bursary in your first year of study with us. This comprises a £200 UCSD bursary (for full-time and fee paying students) when you start your studies and an additional bursary of £600 or £800, depending on your personal circumstances.

To receive an additional bursary you will need to apply via UCAS before 15th January 2020, accept UCSD as your firm offer and make a bursary application with us directly. For more information and to see if you are eligible, **visit sdc.careers/bursary**.

4 COMMUNITY

By studying with us, you won't just be a number at the top of an exam paper. You will belong to the UCSD community – one that drives excellence in everything that it does.

UCSD

Here at UCSD, we take great pride in providing an environment that will inspire you to further your career goals and aspirations, and give you every opportunity to achieve the highest levels of success in your chosen field.

We provide tailored support, with employer-focused curriculums delivered by industry experts, giving you all the tools to succeed.

Underlying this is a culture of challenge and excellence, which spreads throughout UCSD, from the tutors and staff members to your peers, whose support will be invaluable. Your learning won't be limited to the four walls of a classroom; each day will be an opportunity to grow, not just academically and professionally, but personally too.

SOUTH DEVON

During your time at UCSD, you may also be a part of the wider community of South Devon, developing valuable links with local employers. Businesses play an integral part in the design of our degree programmes, by identifying the skills our graduates need to succeed in the workplace and make the biggest possible impact on the local economy. So, when you graduate from UCSD, you can enter the job market knowing your skills are in demand.

Whilst studying, you could have the opportunity to work on a project for a local business, get inspiration from an industry expert, or learn the skills needed to make a real difference for a company when you graduate.

Whatever your level of involvement and wherever your passion lies, studying at UCSD means you will have a positive effect on the local community, and ensure its future prosperity.

UNIVERSITY OF PLYMOUTH

If your programme is delivered in partnership with the University of Plymouth, you will also be a part of the student body at a world-class university, which has a track record of excellence. Qualifications awarded by the University of Plymouth are prestigious and recognised as being of the highest quality, both nationally and internationally, which means you'll stand out as a skilled practitioner in your field.

Our partnership with the University of Plymouth is founded on a shared belief in providing inclusive, high-quality learning opportunities that are co-designed, co-delivered and co-monitored, to ensure you receive the best education and support possible.

You'll have access to the extensive resources of both UCSD and the University of Plymouth, including their web-based student portal (with access to the Careers and Employability Service online careers information portal and jobs board), library catalogue and study skills materials; as well as the Students' Union, making the entire university experience accessible.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS

UNIVERSITY CENTRE SOUTH DEVON

5 EXCELLENCE

The previous four reasons combine to give you an exceptional university learning experience, focused on your development and success. But don't just take our word for it - take a look below at how UCSD has been evaluated by some of the industry's most respected bodies.

NUS AWARDS

The Students' Union was delighted to win the 'Relationships and Partnerships' Award at the NUS Awards 2018. This recognises UCSD's commitment to relationships and connections among Students' Union members and stakeholders.

The NUS Awards celebrate the work and dedication carried out by Students' Unions across the country. The awards celebrate all Students' Unions officers and staff from both further and higher education and highlight activities from campaigning and diversity to education and student opportunities.

nus AWARDS 2018 WINNER

DESTINATIONS OF LEAVERS FROM HIGHER EDUCATION SURVEY

This survey analyses what students do after their studies, and helps us measure your success.

The 2017 survey showed that 95% of students progressed to a positive destination, whether that was employment or further studies, and 73% of those employed were in a professional or managerial job. This confirms the value of our employer-led curriculum, which provides you with the skills and qualities to find employment when you graduate from your course.

QUALITY ASSURANCE AGENCY FOR HIGHER EDUCATION (QAA)

UCSD was commended for its exceptional university provision, receiving a glowing report from a Higher Education Review by the QAA.

The report commended UCSD and identified a range of good practice. The commendations were for the 'quality of student learning opportunities' and the 'enhancement of student learning opportunities'; whilst eight other areas of good practice were highlighted.

QAA

UK Quality Assured

TEF GOLD

UCSD has been awarded the highest rating of 'Gold' under the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF), a system for recognising excellent teaching and learning in higher education.

The TEF assessment process is delivered by the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE). The framework assesses higher education institutions against criteria, including drop-out rates and progression to highly skilled employment. It's part of the government's plan for raising standards in higher education. It also gives students more information so that they can make informed decisions when deciding which university to attend.

TEF Gold Teaching Excellence Framework

The Teaching Excellence Framework's five key findings:

- An exemplary approach to teaching contact hours, reflecting the need for increased contact in the transition stages, and developing greater independence in students as they progress
- An excellent educational culture to ensure that staff have development opportunities to support them in delivering excellent HE teaching
- Exemplary processes for the development, review and enhancement of its educational provision, and doing so in partnership with its student body, employers, and other local stakeholders
- Strong student engagement, that is linked to recognising that the student voice is critical and is considered at early stages in the delivery of modules
- Excellent employability support, with a focus on ensuring that all students achieve positive outcomes

HISTORY OF UNIVERSITY CENTRE SOUTH DEVON

UCSD has come a long way from its humble beginnings to the state-of-the-art surroundings students enjoy today.

On Monday 7th September 1931, the then-named South Devon Technical College, located at Teignmouth Road, Torquay, first opened its doors to 16 eager students taught by two teachers and Principal at the time, Mr Smith.

By 1935, the College proudly recorded 1,200 students on their books. A notable year, the College held their first student open day, and passed its first governing body inspection.

Continuing its development, the College established its first higher education programme in 1947, the initial Higher National Certificate (HNC) in Building, helping to lay the foundations for today's UCSD.

Fast-forward to 1952, the College now boasted an expanding list of courses on offer with enrolment numbers exceeding 3,000 students.

The College had grown to successfully establish itself as the focal point for further education providers in the South Devon area.

Across the next few decades, as technology advanced at an accelerated rate, the College continued to expand with the creation of various new fields of study. By the 1990s the College adapted by rebranding to become the South Devon College we know today with annual enrolment figures reaching over 15,000 students.

After 75 memorable years in Torquay, in 2006 the College moved to its modern and sizeable Paignton campus. This offered students a great increase in facilities such as an on-site gym, restaurant and hair salon.

In 2011 the £8 million state-of-the-art University Centre building was officially opened. The innovative centre positioned next to South Devon College's Paignton Campus, immediately gained awards for its design, achieving an excellent rating for its environmental credentials using photovoltaic and solar panels.

In 2016, the University Centre South Devon brand was launched to emphasise the quality and outstanding provision in its own right as a partner of South Devon College which continues to grow today.

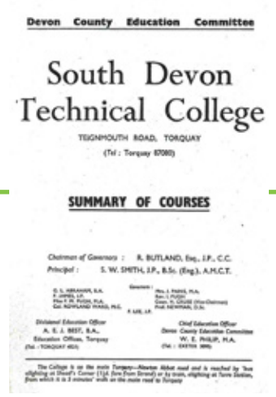
Today, the TEF gold rated UCSD hosts over 750 students in the inclusive studying of university level degree programmes. Validated through a strong partnership with the University of Plymouth, students can progress to full degree graduate status.

1931

College buildings

1935

SDTC The galleon student magazine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South Devon Technical College

TEIGNMOUTH ROAD, TORQUAY

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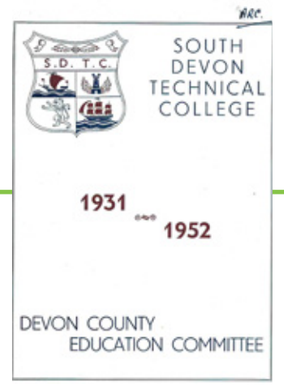
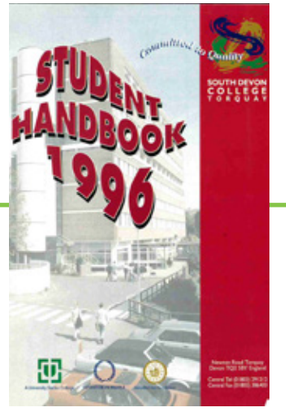
The oldest SDTC prospectus known to exist



1952

SDTC 1952 prospectus



1996

South Devon College Student handbook

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Newspaper advert

FACILITIES

Our facilities create an exceptional learning environment, which will help you realise your full potential and achieve your goals.

All of your lecture rooms are equipped for university study, with state-of-the-art projection and audio technology. You'll also have direct access to our library, where we have an extensive range of learning resources, in addition to those available at the University of Plymouth.

All of our facilities have been designed to ensure that you can study and develop at your own pace. They provide a comfortable environment to suit your learning style, with all the necessary resources available to you.

YOU'LL HAVE ACCESS TO THE FOLLOWING ACROSS OUR CAMPUSES:

- 1,200 computers
- 25,000 books
- Campus-wide wireless network
- A comprehensive catalogue of e-books, journals, newspapers and electronic resources
- A virtual learning portal
- A personal email account
- Access to the University of Plymouth library, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year*

OUR WIDER FACILITIES INCLUDE:

- Discounted travel pass with Stagecoach
- Cafés and dining areas
- A dedicated higher education social study space
- Hairdressing and beauty therapy salon, 'Inspirations'
- Fine dining restaurant, 'Horizons'
- Discounted gym membership including weekly fitness classes
- Mama Bear's Day Nursery for students with young children

* For those enrolled on a University of Plymouth programme

THE STUDENT VOICE

We listen to you – the student – and place great importance on your experience at UCSD.

We give you the opportunity to voice your opinions and feedback so that you can contribute to the ongoing development of our courses and, in particular, your programme of study.

The student voice is incredibly valuable, forming part of a community that promotes excellence, challenges conventional thinking and offers innovative new ideas and approaches. We encourage you to get involved in our student body, and provide a range of activities so you can have your say.

In addition to the social aspect of the UCSD community, you will also have the opportunity to join the University Student Committee as an elected course representative. Course representatives meet throughout the academic year to discuss important issues and share good practice. This can help you develop professionally and enable you to pass your views to the teaching team and management so we can continue to develop.

As a course representative, you'll also benefit from a number of enrichment events arranged by organisations such as the National Union of Students (NUS), broadening your experiences and enhancing your CV.

The Students' Union was delighted to win the 'Relationships and Partnerships' Award at the NUS Awards 2018. This recognises UCSD's commitment to relationships and connections among Students' Union members and stakeholders.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF PLYMOUTH

The University of Plymouth is renowned for high-quality, world-leading education, research and innovation.

With a mission to "Advance Knowledge and Transform Lives", Plymouth is a *top-50 research university. It provides world-class research across a wide range of disciplines including marine science and engineering, medicine, robotics and psychology. A twice winner of the Queen's Anniversary Prize for Higher Education, the university continues to grow in stature and reputation.

Plymouth has a strong track record for teaching and learning excellence, and has one of the highest numbers of National Teaching Fellows of any UK university.

As a UCSD student on a partnership course with the University of Plymouth, you are part of a wider community of 15,000 Plymouth students studying off campus at one of 30 partner institutions.

UCSD is a member of the university's partner college network, bringing university-level courses to students across the South West. The partnership works closely with employers to develop degrees and other higher-level qualifications designed to increase student employment and career progression prospects.

Our higher education courses are awarded by the University of Plymouth and our foundation degrees usually have at least one built-in progression route to an honours degree (often one-year courses are available at the university, or in some cases, another institution).

It's important to know that the deadline for applications is 15th January, and places may be subject to availability. If you are progressing to the University of Plymouth, please check the fees with the university as these will be different from your current fees.

As a partner college student, you can access the university's online services, library, electronic resources and learning support materials through its web-based student portal. This includes access to the Careers and Employability Service online careers information portal and jobs board. You are automatically a member of its Students' Union (UPSU) and can access sports clubs, societies, the advice service, volunteering opportunities, student representation and sports facilities.

* Research Fortnight Research Power League Table 2014

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YOUR QUALIFICATION EXPLAINED

HIGHER NATIONAL CERTIFICATE [HNC] – LEVEL 4

Higher National Certificates (HNCs) are vocational qualifications designed to develop practical and theoretical skills and knowledge. They focus on equipping you with a practical understanding of your chosen subject and can lead directly to employment in specific industries. They may also count towards membership of professional bodies and other employer organisations. Upon successful completion of the HNC you can progress onto the related foundation degrees at UCSD.

FOUNDATION DEGREE [FdA AND FdSc] – LEVEL 5

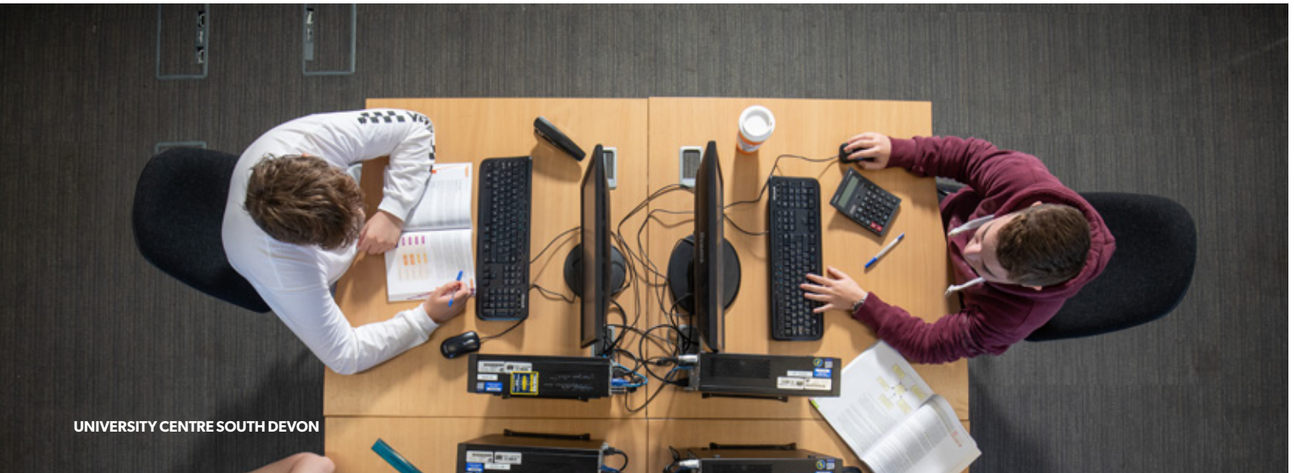
A foundation degree is a degree-level qualification that takes two years to complete, and is equivalent to the first two years of a traditional honours degree. Foundation degrees focus on relevant, work-based skills within a particular career route or profession, and are designed to increase employability and progression opportunities.

More and more people are recognising that foundation degrees are one of the quickest and most direct routes to the high-level vocational skills required in the working world. Because employers are involved in the development of foundation degree programmes, they ensure you are ready for employment when you complete your studies.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE (BA [HONS] AND BSC [HONS]) – LEVEL 6

At the end of a foundation degree you have the option to 'top-up' your qualification with a third year of study to convert it into a full honours degree. We offer a range of bachelor's top-up courses for you to consider, or you could progress to the University of Plymouth where you will be guaranteed an interview for an associated top-up course. Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

A bachelor's degree introduces you to new skills and research methods that employers will value, and is widely seen as a mark of intellectual and academic ability and potential in the employment market.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and assess every application on its own merit. So, even if you don't meet the specified requirements, you may still be able to study with us.

BACHELOR'S DEGREES AND TOP-UP PROGRAMMES

To progress to a top-up bachelor's degree programme you will need 240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma in a relevant subject area.

FOUNDATION DEGREE

As a guide, to receive an offer for a foundation degree, you will require between 48 and 60 UCAS points. These points can be gained from A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diplomas and equivalent qualifications. You will also require GCSE (Level 2) Maths and English at Grade 4.

RECOGNISING PRIOR LEARNING

We welcome applications from students of all ages, regardless of previous academic achievements. We assess each student's suitability individually, and take into account previous experience.

This is why we give you the opportunity to use all of your prior learning and experience when you apply for a course. You can show this through statements from employers, personal development plans and reflective commentaries.

So, if you don't have the formal accreditation or qualifications required, but do have relevant past experience, you could still be accepted onto your chosen degree.

ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION AND RETURN TO LEARN

If you don't feel quite ready for university study, an Access to Higher Education course may be perfect for you. These are intensive, one-year programmes that are designed to prepare you for studying at university level.

They can also update your academic skills if you are returning to education, and provide the opportunity to fill any gaps in your application, such as retaking English and Mathematics GCSEs if you did not originally achieve a 4 grade or higher.

Return to Learn courses take slightly less time to complete, and are suitable for adults returning to education after an extended period of time. They are designed to build your confidence and reintroduce you to academic study in a manageable and achievable way.

This will prepare you for an Access to Higher Education course and, subsequently, university study. If you are starting a course in 2020, the UCAS entry criteria are:

Points	A Level Grade	BTEC Sub. Dip
48	A	D
40	B	
32	C	M
24	D	
16	E	P

Points	BTEC 90 Credit Diploma
78	D*D
72	DD
60	DM
48	MM
36	MP

FUNDING AND FEES

Studying for a university degree doesn't have to be a daunting financial proposition. Our degrees are affordable but still offer first-class facilities and teaching, enabling you to gain a prestigious degree and save money at the same time.

We offer various bursary packages, as well as the full package of loan funding available from Student Finance England, so you can be comfortable with your decision to study with us.

BURSARIES

We are committed to supporting our university students with a number of bursary packages, which you will receive if you meet particular criteria. Bursaries, which are not repaid, are awarded in addition to any grants, loans or funding received through Student Finance England.

You could be eligible to receive up to £1000 bursary in your first year of study with us. This comprises a £200 UCSD bursary (for full-time and fee paying students) when you start your studies and an additional bursary of £600 or £800, depending on your personal circumstances.

To receive an additional bursary you will need to apply via UCAS before 15th January 2020, accept UCSD as your firm offer and make a bursary application with us directly. For more information and to see if you are eligible, visit **sdc.careers/bursary**.

TUITION FEES

You're not expected to pay for your tuition immediately. Instead, your tuition is covered by a fee loan, which is paid directly to us on your behalf by Student Finance England. You will only be expected to begin repaying this loan when you have completed your studies and are earning over £25,000 per year.

Fees for students joining us in 2020 are currently under review; however, as a guide, our tuition fees for full-time students in 2019/20 were £8,400 per year.

Please note that if you are progressing to study at the University of Plymouth after successfully completing a course with us, the fees for the course you are progressing to will be different from your UCSD course fees. Please check with the university for up-to-date fees for the course you are interested in.

MAINTENANCE LOAN

The maintenance loan is intended to help you with living costs during your studies. The basic rate of maintenance loan doesn't depend on your household income, unless you apply for more. The maintenance loan has to be paid back but not until your income is over £25,000 a year. The maximum loan available for students (living away from home and studying outside of London) in 2019/20 was £8,944 per year. For those living in the parental home during their studies it was £7,529*.

LIVING COST (MAINTENANCE) LOANS

Student's living Arrangements	Maximum Maintenance Loan for the 2018/19 academic year	Maximum Maintenance Loan for the 2019/20 academic year
Living with parents	£7,324	£7,529
Studying in London and not living with parents	£11,354	£11,672
Studying outside London and not living with parents	£8,700	£8,944
Living abroad for at least one term as part of their UK course	£9,963	£10,242

* At time of publishing, 2019/20 figures were subject to Parliamentary approval.

DISABLED STUDENTS' ALLOWANCES

Disabled Students' Allowances (DSAs) are available to students who require extra support as a direct result of a disability. This includes a mental health condition or specific learning difficulty, such as dyslexia or dyspraxia. DSAs do not depend on household income.

CHILDCARE FUNDING

This helps with childcare costs for students with dependent children in registered or approved childcare. The children must be aged under 15 at the beginning of the academic year. Depending on their household income, you can apply for 85% of your actual childcare costs during term times and holidays.

PARENTS' LEARNING ALLOWANCES

Parents' Learning Allowances (PLAs) help with course-related costs if you have dependent children.

More information on this extra help can be found at **gov.uk/studentfinance**.

REPAYMENTS

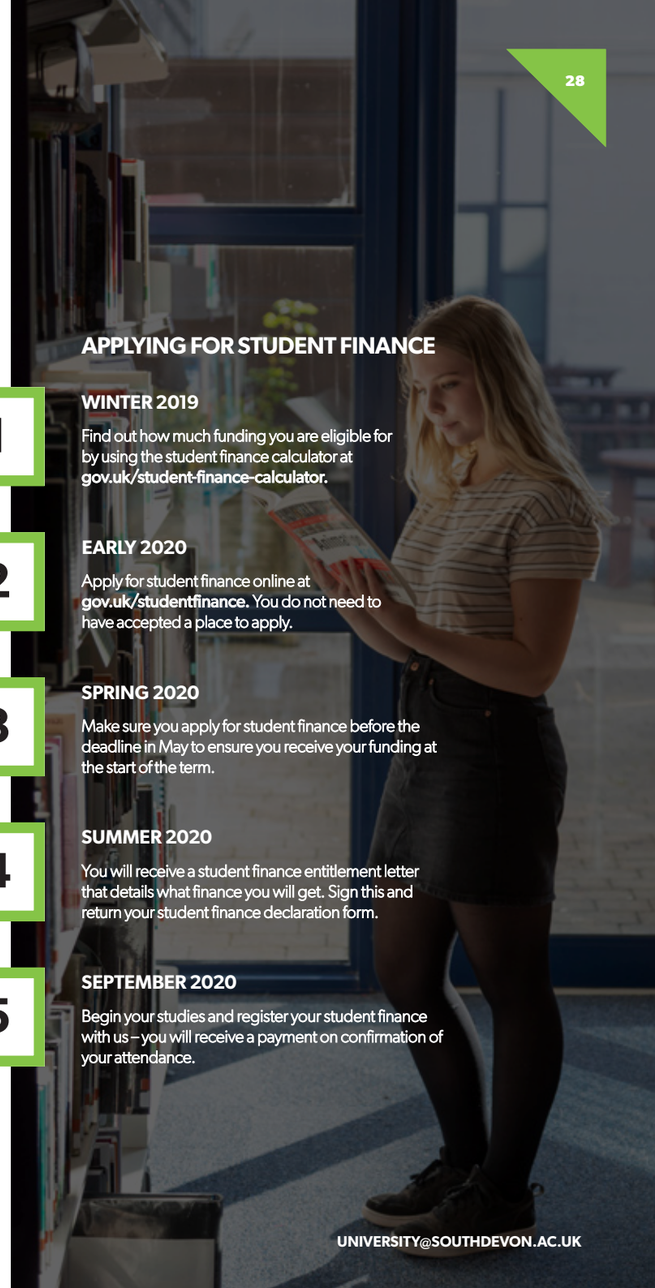
You will not repay your fee or maintenance loan until you are earning more than £25,000 per year. If you are earning less than this you will not need to pay anything. Repayments begin in the April after you graduate, but only if you meet the financial criteria.

Repayments are charged at a rate of 9% of any additional salary over the £25,000 threshold. Interest is charged from the day the first payment is made to you until the loan is repaid or written off. Any loan remaining after 30 years is written off entirely.

For example, if you are earning £30,000 after you graduate, you will make repayments on the £5,000 above the £25,000 threshold. The amount you pay is calculated as 9% of this income, meaning you would repay £450 per year, or £8.65 a week.

The table below is a useful reference to see how much you can expect to repay on various incomes.

Your annual salary (before tax)	Your monthly salary (before tax)	Your approx. monthly repayment
£25,000	£2,083	£0
£27,000	£2,250	£15
£29,500	£2,458	£33
£31,000	£2,583	£45
£33,000	£2,750	£60



APPLYING FOR STUDENT FINANCE

1

WINTER 2019

Find out how much funding you are eligible for by using the student finance calculator at **gov.uk/student-finance-calculator.**

2

EARLY 2020

Apply for student finance online at **gov.uk/studentfinance.** You do not need to have accepted a place to apply.

3

SPRING 2020

Make sure you apply for student finance before the deadline in May to ensure you receive your funding at the start of the term.

4

SUMMER 2020

You will receive a student finance entitlement letter that details what finance you will get. Sign this and return your student finance declaration form.

5

SEPTEMBER 2020

Begin your studies and register your student finance with us – you will receive a payment on confirmation of your attendance.

HOW TO APPLY

1

Decide on your preferred course in this prospectus and online. Check to see if your qualifications match those required for your course.

2

Register with UCAS and complete your application form online at **ucas.com**.

3

From January 2020 you will be informed of our decision. Some applicants may need to attend an interview prior to a formal offer being made.

4

Apply for student finance. You do not need to have accepted an offer to apply, and the earlier you can do this, the better.

5

If successful, you will be invited to attend an 'Applicant Event'. This will give you the opportunity to see UCSD in more detail.

6

Once you have your results you will need to send a copy of your certificates to the admissions office.

7

After getting your result certificates, you will receive a letter notifying you of our decision. This will also be available to view through the UCAS website.

8

Celebrate, and prepare for your studies to start in September!

YOUR APPLICATION

Here at UCSD, we want to make sure that the process for applying is as smooth as possible for you. Admissions decisions are made by our dedicated admission team, whose job is to make fair and consistent decisions, reading and assessing each application in full. To provide the best possible service to you, you can get in touch with our team at any time.

YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT

Your personal statement is an important opportunity for you to let us know more about you and why you have chosen your course of study. Our admission team will read your personal statement in detail, so it is important that you demonstrate to us both why you are interested in your course as well as the skills you have gained to help you to succeed. The course descriptions in this prospectus, which tell you what the course is about and what it includes, may help you to decide what you want to write about and give you some inspiration to explore your chosen subject further.

FULL-TIME COURSES

The application deadline for full-time courses is 15th January 2020. If you miss this, you can still apply until 30th June 2020, although you may not be guaranteed a place. You can apply for up to five different courses in your UCAS application.

PART-TIME AND HIGHER APPRENTICESHIP COURSES

Applications for part-time and higher apprenticeship courses are handled differently to full-time ones, and are not made through UCAS. All applications for part-time courses should be made directly to UCSD by contacting the team on **08000 21 31 81** or emailing **university@southdevon.ac.uk.**

ADMISSIONS TIMELINE

FEBRUARY-MAY 2019

UCAS Exhibitions

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2019

UCSD Open Day

SEPTEMBER 2019

UCAS Applications Open

NOVEMBER

UCSD Open Event

JANUARY 2020

Main UCAS Application Deadline

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*SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

ARTS

*THIS COURSE IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

AWARD
Awarded by South Devon College

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
W101

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time

FdA APPLIED ARTS*

This foundation degree is a practical exploration of the applied arts, where you will have the opportunity to develop diverse skills within drawing, painting, sculpture, textiles, print, design, digital and mixed media arts. You will be guided through the generation of ideas, concepts and issues in art and how to communicate meaning visually. You will be encouraged to explore a broad range of processes and workshops underpinned by a strong and individual understanding of concept and context in art.

OVERVIEW

During this course you will produce a wide-ranging body of work, which will evidence your professional capabilities and prepare you for employment. Using the skills you develop, you will have the opportunity to create high-quality personal and individual work.

The course has a strong focus on employability, and ensures that you gain the essential skills required to work in the arts. You will be encouraged to work independently, and by exploring the arts industry locally and nationally, you will have a broad range of career opportunities when you graduate.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will usually require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. However, we also take into account other experience and knowledge.

YOUR STUDIES

Each module is worth a specified number of credits. You take a combination of compulsory and, if available, optional modules enabling you to cover key subject knowledge while developing your own interests. For full-time students a total of 120 credits will be studied in each academic year. In the majority of cases this will consist of six modules. For part-time students it will depend on the intensity of your studies.

Our dedicated teaching teams will support your application of theoretical and practical knowledge, and will be invaluable to your development as an effective practitioner. Their passion and enthusiasm is exceptional, with dedicated support and tutorial time available so that you can make the most of your studies. This support has been crucial to the success of past students, many of whom did not come from a traditional education pathway, and helps ensure your success.

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of an associated course at another provider.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PAINTER
Fine arts. Portrait. Decorator.

SCULPTOR
Commissioned projects.
Art installations.

ARTS OFFICER
Project manager. Festivals.
Fundraising.

CURATOR
Private and public exhibitions.
Collections.

DESIGNER
Lead the way. Inspire others. Teach.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Applied Arts.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
OP4K

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

FdA FASHION WITH TEXTILES

This foundation degree is a practical exploration of fashion and textiles design, where you will develop skills relating to fashion, design, visualisation, pattern construction, texture, surface and printed textiles.

OVERVIEW

During this course you will produce a wide-ranging body of work, which will evidence your professional capabilities and prepare you for employment. Using the skills you have developed, you will have the opportunity to create high-quality personal and individual collections.

The course has a strong focus on employability, and ensures that you gain the essential skills required to work in the fashion and textiles industry upon completion. You will be encouraged to work independently, and by exploring the potential of small businesses and self-employment, you will have a broad range of career opportunities when you graduate.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. You may also be required to provide a portfolio of work as part of the application process.

YOUR STUDIES

During your first year of study you will learn through a series of fashion and textiles workshops, design processes and theories. You will also focus on areas of drawing, visual communication and contextual studies. This will enable you to begin creating an experimental and diverse body of work during your studies.

In the second year you will begin to work more independently, as you grow in confidence and discover your professional voice and style.

There may also be the opportunity to showcase your final collection of work through exhibitions and a runway performance.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Creative development
- Fashion and textiles production
- The collection
- Image and style
- Culture and meaning
- Visual communication

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of an associated course at another provider.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

FASHION DESIGNER
Clothes design for High Street stores. Ready-to-wear. Haute couture.

PRODUCT MANAGER
Planning and execution for fashion brands. Research.

DISPLAY DESIGNER
Promote images. Exhibition stands. Conferences.

FASHION BUYER
High Street store window displays. Promotion stands.

PURCHASING
High Street store visits. Trade shows. Work with current trends.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Fashion with Textiles.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
W213

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"I found the tutors to be really friendly which helps create a fun learning environment. The course helps you to explore all ideas you may have at great depths."

Madeline McCurtain - FdA Illustration Arts

FdA ILLUSTRATION ARTS

This foundation degree will provide you with a broad range of skills that will enable you to become an independent and capable illustrator. It will address the practical and professional requirements necessary to succeed in illustration practice, whilst developing an experimental approach to visual communication.

OVERVIEW

The course considers a variety of relevant fields of illustration, including: editorial, reportage, merchandising, publishing and narrative image making (comic arts, graphic novels and picture books). You can explore areas such as character development, typography, book design and visual expression. Practical areas include drawing, printmaking, bookbinding and digital skills.

Drawing is a central component of the course and is critical to the development of your ideas and practical skills. You will explore contemporary and traditional approaches to drawing and illustration, working both on location and in the studio. The range of skills you develop will help you build a comprehensive, high-quality portfolio of work, where you will find your own personal and professional voice.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

You may also be required to provide a portfolio of work as part of the application process.

YOUR STUDIES

The majority of this course is delivered through project-based learning. You will be actively involved in industry by participating in live projects, whilst potentially entering competitions on a regional and national scale. The course consists of various teaching and learning methods, including lectures, seminars, practical demonstrations and workshop sessions.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Drawing
- The digital environment
- Sequence and narrative
- Image and expression

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BA (Hons) Illustration degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PUBLISHING
Children's books. Comics. Graphic novels.

ADVERTISING
Concept boards. Posters. Press.

MERCHANDISING
Greeting cards. Calendars. Clothing.

EDITORIAL
Magazines. Newspapers. Brochures.

FREELANCE
Build own portfolio of clients. Variety of projects.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Illustration Arts.

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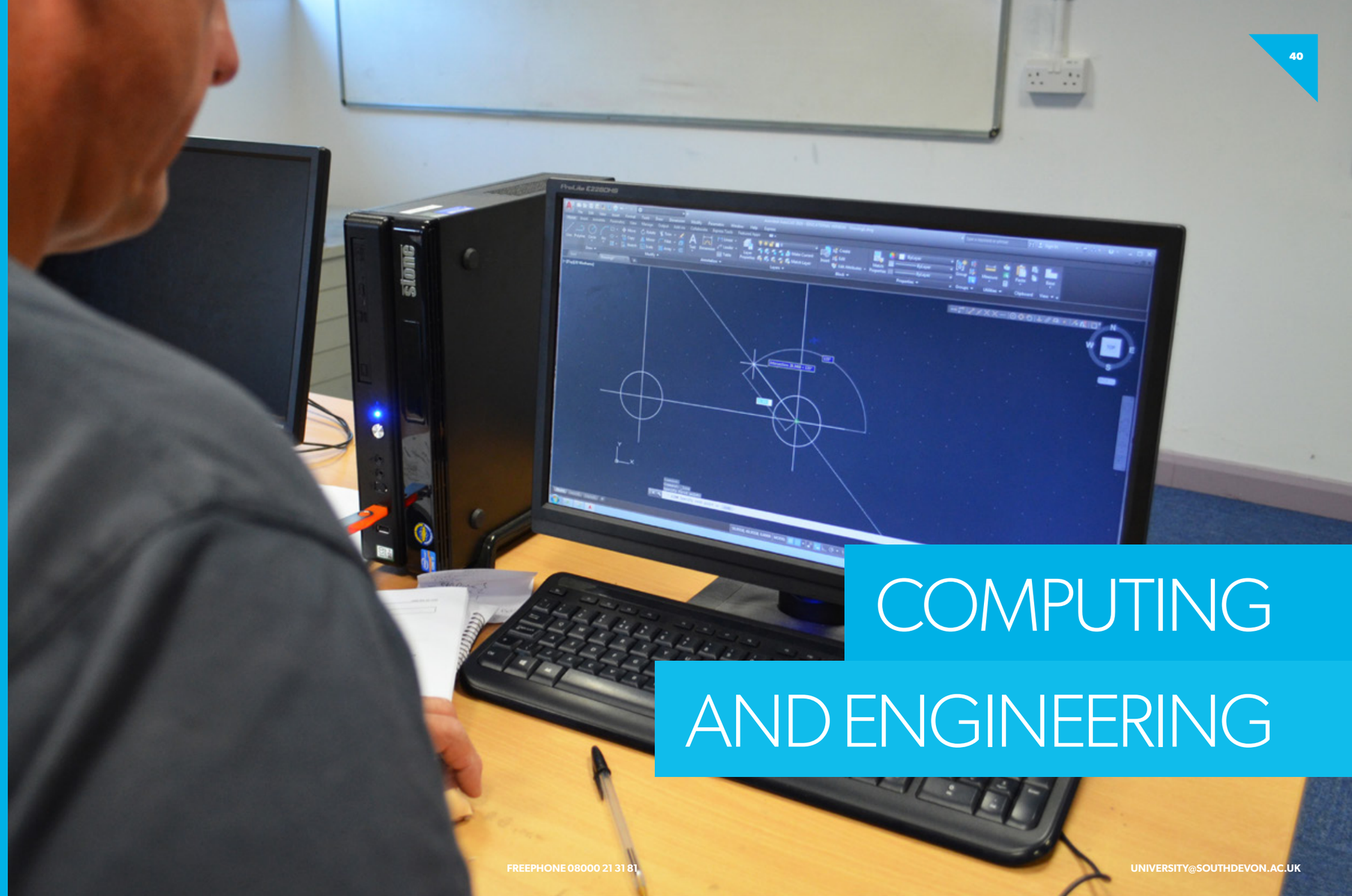


COMPUTING AND ENGINEERING

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

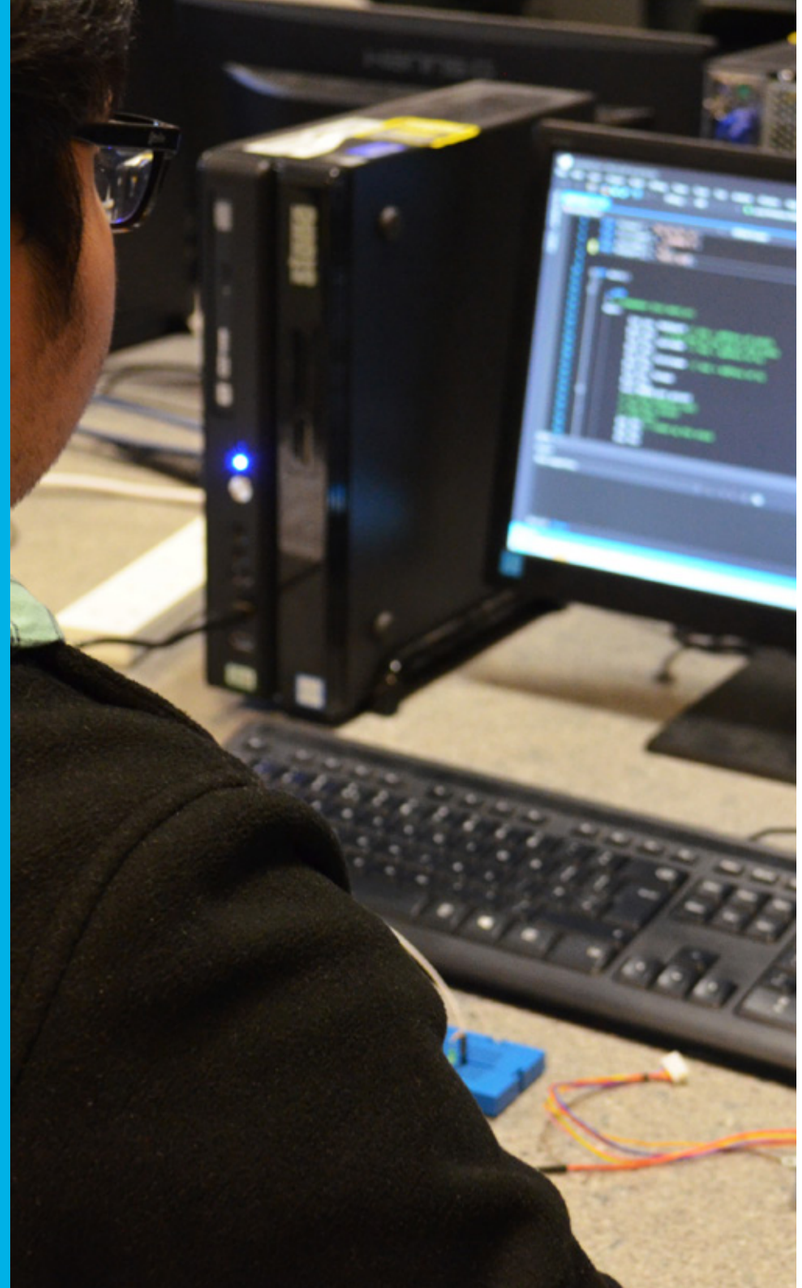
INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
G400

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available. The HNC is incorporated as part of the first year of study

"The course was recommended to me due to the broad range of subjects covered that help to develop your skills. I received excellent support from the tutors and the vocational trips were a big bonus."

Luke Mills - FdSc Computing



FdSc/HNC COMPUTING

The IT and computing industries are dynamic, fast-moving and constantly in need of qualified professionals. This foundation degree equips you with the skills that employers seek in graduates and will open up opportunities for you in both the public and private sectors, not just in the UK but all over the world.

OVERVIEW

The course reflects industry trends by covering a mix of software engineering, networking, cyber security, web technologies and various other topics, all of which are relevant to the modern industry.
You will have access to virtual and augmented reality hardware, data centre servers and cyber security systems. This will enable you to progress and succeed within today's IT and computing sector by ensuring that you can readily transition into professional practice.

The course incorporates a Higher National Certificate (HNC) as part of the first year of study, and is available as a full-time or part-time programme of study. There are flexible delivery options to ensure minimal impact on your existing responsibilities, including employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is delivered by an experienced teaching team, who regularly monitor and update it to reflect industry trends, ensuring you gain valuable skills that are relevant to employment. You will learn in small classes where there is an emphasis on support, which will enable you to make the most of your studies and succeed in your career.

The course consists of a core curriculum that includes lectures, presentations, class discussion and project work. You will be taught in our specialist computing lab, which provides access to current Cisco networking equipment and the latest industry-standard software, including packages from Adobe, Microsoft, Unity and open source alternatives.

Assessment is assignment-based, usually comprising reports on practical work, such as programming or networking. There are also additional sessions that focus on employability and study skills.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Programming concepts
- Client-side web development
- Database: analysis, design and development
- Virtual and augumented reality operating systems
- Enterprise networks
- Introduction to computer security

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Computing degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

SOFTWARE ENGINEER
Specialist IT firms. Manufacturing. Public utilities.

SEO SPECIALIST
Marketing agencies. Web copywriting. Digital marketing.

DATA ANALYST
Insurance firms. Marketing companies. Government and media.

IT CONSULTANT
Financial services. Public sector. Manufacturing. Health.

WEB DEVELOPER
Variety of clients. Private, Public and charity sectors. Freelance.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Computing.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
68C5

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, four years part-time and modular study available. The HNC is incorporated as part of the first year of study

FdSc/HNC ELECTRONICS AND ROBOTIC CONTROL ENGINEERING

Technology and robotics are set to drastically alter the national job market over the next few decades, as automated systems become more advanced and take on a greater role across all sectors and industries. This will mean that the growing robotics industry will require a new wave of skilled technicians who can manage these increasingly sophisticated systems.

OVERVIEW

Embedded intelligence is even beginning to extend beyond industrial and military applications, with products ranging from cars to domestic appliances reliant on intelligent systems. In the future, robots will be a part of everyday life, in healthcare, education and even entertainment, meaning there will be more opportunities than ever before for skilled graduates.

The course incorporates a Higher National Certificate (HNC) as part of the first year of study, and is available as a full-time or part-time programme of study. There are flexible delivery options to ensure minimal impact on your existing responsibilities, including employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

You will be taught through a variety of teaching methods, with lots of practical activity to develop skills needed for industry. You will attend seminars, tutorials and laboratory sessions, using our industry-standard equipment.

Our electronics laboratories feature industry-standard circuit development and simulation software, NI ELVIS prototyping systems, a fully equipped Schneider-sponsored industrial control suite and embedded controllers.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Embedded control
- Digital electronics
- Robotics build project

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion you may be able to progress onto the second year of the BSc (Hons) Robotics or BSc (Hons) Electrical and Electronic Engineering degrees at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

ELECTRONIC ENGINEER
Telecommunications. Automotive. Marine. Research companies.

CAD TECHNICIAN
Civil engineering and construction. Government and media.

ROBOTICS SOFTWARE ENGINEER
Automotive, aerospace, nuclear, computer industries.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Electronics and Robotic Control Engineering

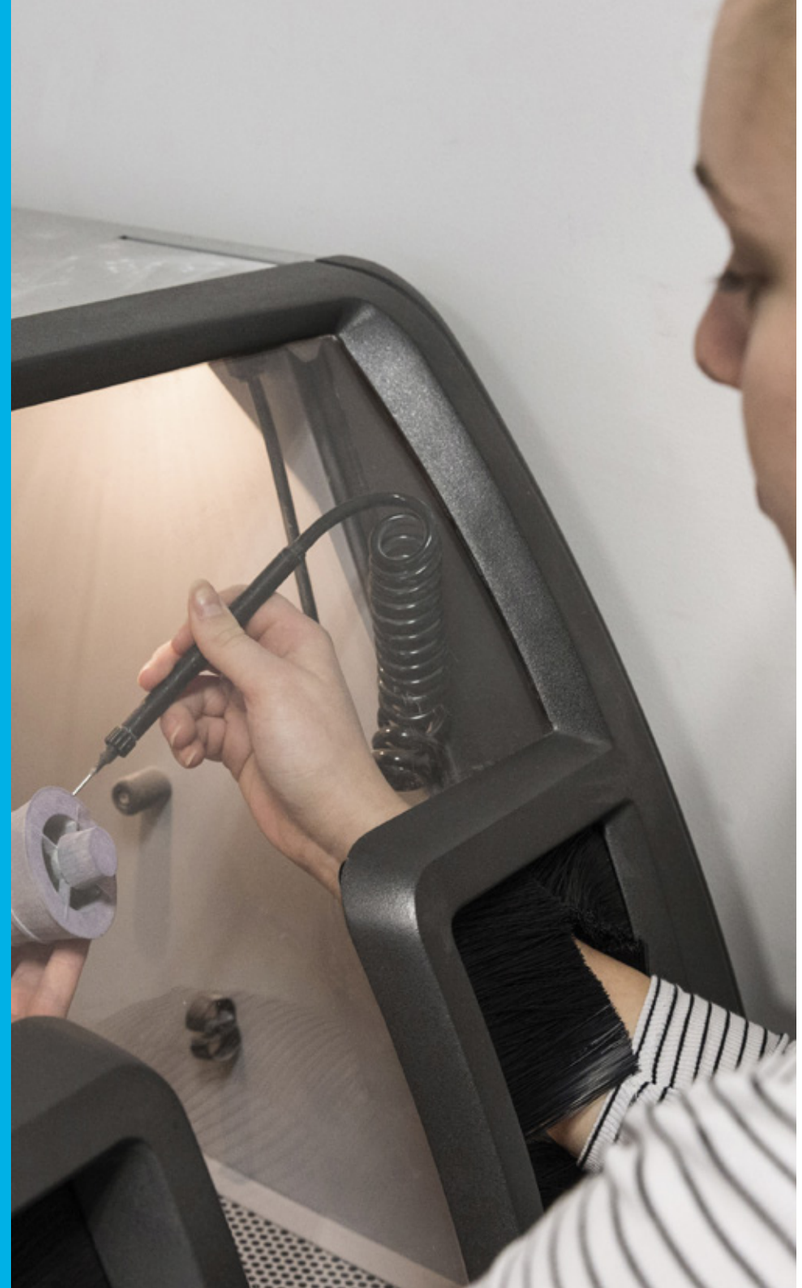
AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
87G5

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, four years part-time and modular study available. The HNC is incorporated as part of the first year of study



FdSc/HNC MANUFACTURING AND MECHATRONIC ENGINEERING

This engineering qualification will prepare you for the growing world of technology by developing the skills you'll need to succeed and enhancing your career prospects. The programme has been developed in response to the requirements of employers, both locally and worldwide, to provide the skills that a new generation of engineers require.

OVERVIEW

You will learn in our fully equipped workshops and additive manufacturing suite, which includes computer numerically controlled (CNC) machines, computer-aided design (CAD) software and our industry-standard 3D printers.

The course incorporates a Higher National Certificate (HNC) as part of the first year of study, and is available as a full-time or part-time programme of study. There are flexible delivery options to ensure minimal impact on your existing responsibilities, including employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

You will be taught through a variety of methods, which will vary by module. These will include tutorials, laboratory work and practical tasks on industry-standard software and industrial equipment.

Our engineering workshops feature CNC machines; CAD software; 3D printers; centre lathes; vertical, horizontal and universal milling machines; and a fully equipped grinding section. This provides the opportunity to engage in hands-on practical activities to enhance taught subjects.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Product design with CAD/CAM
- Materials
- Mechanical science

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Mechanical Design and Manufacture degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

MECHANICAL ENGINEER
Armed forces and Ministry of Defence. Construction.
Energy companies.

CONTRACTING CIVIL ENGINEER
Environment agencies. Local authorities. Transport and water companies.

NUCLEAR ENGINEER
Major energy companies. Construction companies.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Manufacturing and Mechatronic Engineering.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
610J

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available. The HNC is incorporated as part of the first year of study

"One of the main reasons I applied to study at UCSD was because of the marine facilities, which are second to none."

Richard Smith - UCSD

FdSc/HNC

MARINE TECHNOLOGIES

This foundation degree has been designed to provide you with the skills and knowledge to succeed in naval architecture and advanced marine engineering. You'll benefit from the unique facilities at South Devon Marine Academy, based on the banks of the River Dart in Kingswear. This includes a fleet of 24 vessels, enabling you to work on a variety of craft.

OVERVIEW

The course focuses on developing a broad range of skills that are necessary for employment. You will study practical design and construction, work with composite and hi-tech materials and consider how varying materials perform under different conditions. Our strong links with local businesses also mean that you will be able to contribute to live briefs set by employers.

You will gain practical experience working with computer-aided design (CAD) programmes and on high-end designs. You will have the opportunity to design, test, build and refine projects, as you become confident using research and development techniques to improve efficiency and performance on live builds.

This will form an excellent foundation for further study and employment, and addresses the need for relevant practical experience that local employers are demanding.

The course incorporates a Higher National Certificate (HNC) as part of the first year of study, and is available as a full-time or part-time programme of study. There are flexible delivery options to ensure minimal impact on your existing responsibilities, including employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

You will develop skills across all areas of the marine engineering process, from design through to material selection and construction, before refining projects through extensive research and development.

You will also be able to study Royal Yachting Association (RYA) qualifications such as the Powerboat Level 2 course. The academy runs various other RYA qualifications.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Production management
- Marine propulsion systems
- Mechanical principles
- Computer-aided design (CAD)
- Naval architecture design
- Vessel surveying

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Marine and Composites Technology degree at the University of Plymouth. An additional progression route for those students with 60% overall average is to the second year (Level 5) of the BEng (Hons) Marine Technology degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PROJECT MANAGER
Civil marine projects. New constructions. Boat maintenance.

NAVAL ARCHITECT
Design of ships-from aircraft carriers to submarines. Oil rigs.

MARINE SURVEYOR
Inspection of sea vessels on safety. Machinery and equipment standards.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Marine Technologies.

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CONSTRUCTION

AWARD

Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE

S32

UCAS

4H55

MODES OF STUDY

Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available. The HNC is incorporated as part of the first year of study

"The course covers a range of interesting topics and boasts a varied timetable of modules. The small classes really help produce a great learning environment."

Samuel Ralphs - FdSc / HNC Civil and Costal Engineering

FdSc/HNC CIVIL AND COASTAL ENGINEERING

Civil engineers will play an integral role in the development of civil infrastructure in the coming years, drawing upon their knowledge to combat the issues presented by growing populations, increased urbanisation, climate change and severe weather events.

OVERVIEW

This foundation degree is designed to provide you with the knowledge, skills and ability to innovate and provide essential and sustainable infrastructure, including sea defences, flood protection, water treatment systems, roads, bridges and tunnels.

You will benefit from the exceptional facilities at UCSD and also from Torbay's two miles of coastline, which is a UNESCO-recognised Global Geopark, making it an exceptional location to study coastal disciplines.

The course incorporates a Higher National Certificate (HNC) as part of the first year of study, and is available as a full-time or part-time programme of study. There are flexible delivery options to ensure minimal impact on your existing responsibilities, including employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is delivered by a teaching team who are incredibly passionate about their respective subject areas, and who all have a wealth of professional experience spanning a diverse range of projects.

You may also have the opportunity to utilise the South Devon Marine Academy, an approved training centre for the Royal Yachting Association (RYA) and a member orginisation of British Marine. This makes it an excellent resource for studying aspects of the coastal environment, offering a more involved and alternative perspective of coastal engineering.

Modules are assessed by a variety of methods, including timed tests and reports based on real-life projects. This will enable you to develop into an independent and confident practitioner capable of adapting to future challenges in your career.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Coastal engineering
- Setting out, surveying and computer-aided design for construction engineers
- Structural analysis and design
- Geology and soil mechanics
- Sustainable and civil engineering technology and site operations

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this course you may be able to progress onto the BSc (Hons) Civil Engineering top-up at UCSD or the BSc (Hons) Civil Engineering degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER
Design and oversee constructions of new building or bridges, property extensions.

CIVIL ENGINEER
Construction on buildings in private, transport and communications sectors.

QUANTITY SURVEYOR
Manage building project costs for architects, commercial businesses, local authorities or government.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Civil and Costal Engineering.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

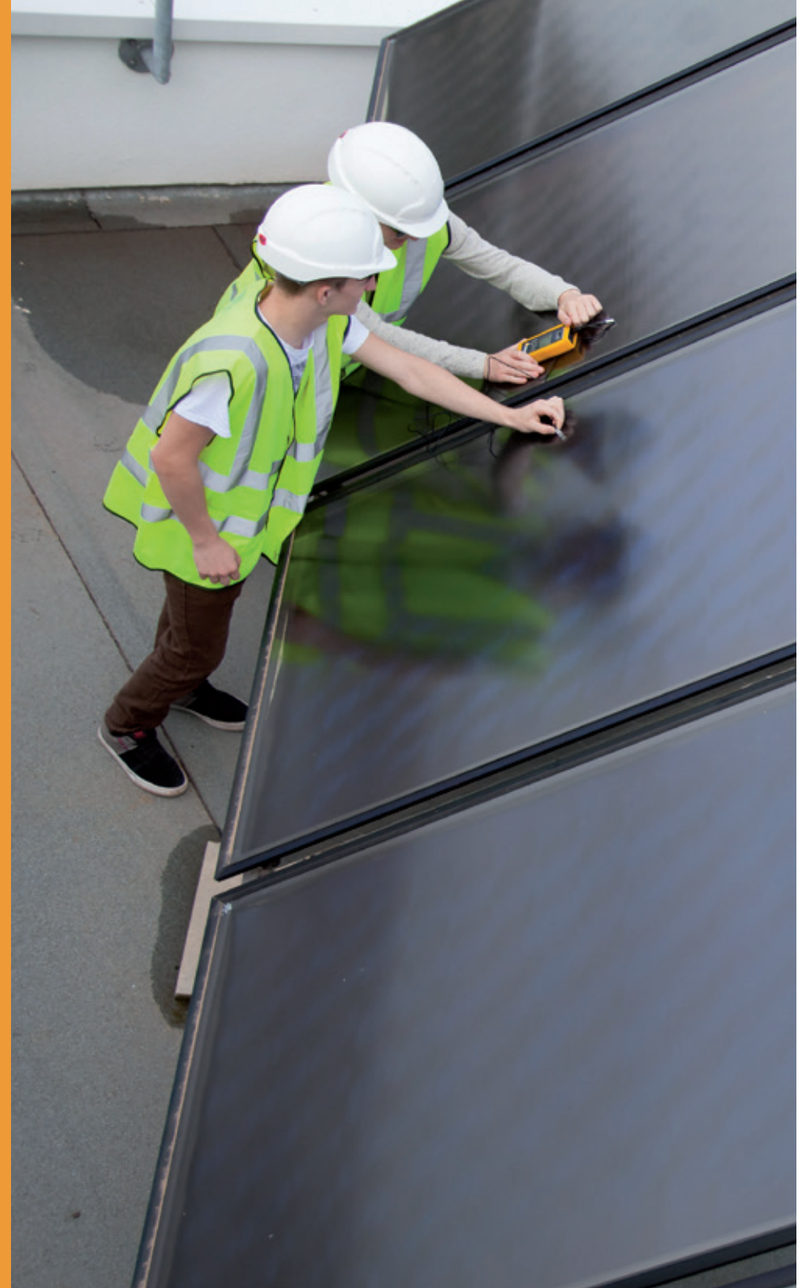
INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
K290

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available. The HNC is incorporated as part of the first year of study

"The course has opened my eyes to the many opportunities out there I've recently built an ecological safari camp out of bamboo in the Sri Lankan jungle."

Freddie Catlow - FdSc/HNC Sustainable Construction and The Built Environment



FdSc/HNC SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

This foundation degree, which incorporates a higher national certificate (HNC) as part of the first year of study, has been designed to provide you with the essential skills for working in the multi-disciplined construction sector. There is a strong focus on both sustainability and renewable energies because understanding them is more important than ever before.

OVERVIEW

The course has full accreditation from the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB), which certifies the quality of the provision at UCSD. By studying a CIOB-accredited course, you will have exemption from membership requirements, as well as access to the CIOB resources library, professional development opportunities and career progression advice and guidance.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

During this course you will learn through a variety of methods, ensuring that you gain a diverse and broad skill set and knowledge base.

The teaching team consists of practitioners who have a wealth of industry experience, having contributed professionally to a wide range of construction projects. We have strong links with local employers, providing you with access to engaging and dynamic work placements to support your learning, as well as the chance to develop a network of professional contacts.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Sustainable construction and its environmental impact
- Design principles and application
- Building management systems
- Conversion and adaptation of buildings

CIOB

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree, you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Environmental Construction Surveying, or the second year of the BSc (Hons) Building Surveying and the Environment, BSc (Hons) Construction Management and the Environment degrees at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PROJECT MANAGER
Alternative energy projects such as wind farms. Solar panels. Hydroelectricity.

QUANTITY SURVEYOR
Manage building project costs for architects. Commercial businesses.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Sustainable Construction and the Built Environment.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
240 credits earned from a relevant foundation degree

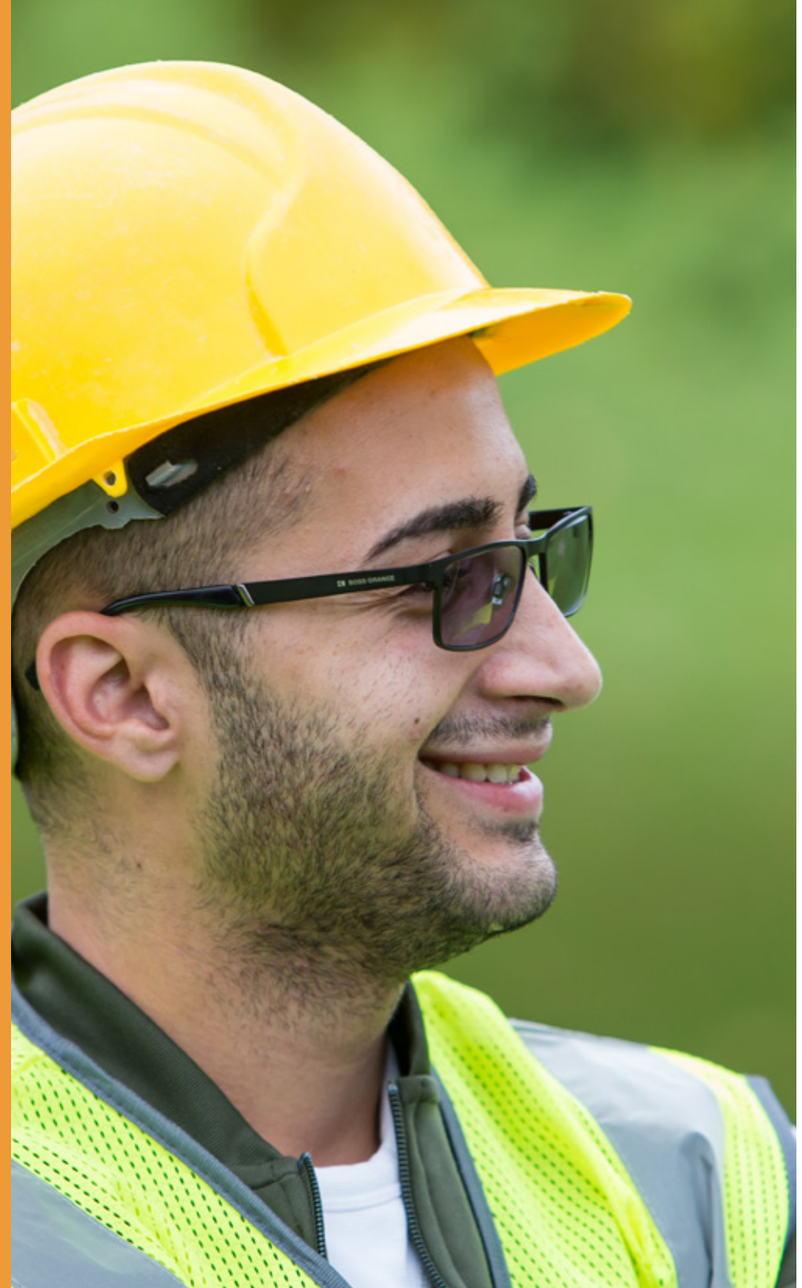
INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
H200

MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time, or two years part-time. This course is co-delivered with the University of Plymouth

"I enrolled at UCSD for a couple of reasons-the location was great, but I also wanted a course that would help me succeed in my aim to become a project manager for a construction company. The course gave me a real insight into the industry, which has enhanced my career prospects."

Jess Lloyd - UCSD Alumni



BSc (Hons) CIVIL ENGINEERING (TOP-UP)

Civil engineers will play an integral role in the development of civil infrastructure in the coming years, drawing upon their knowledge to combat the issues presented by growing populations, increased urbanisation, climate change and severe weather events.

OVERVIEW

This course 'tops up' the FdSc Civil and Coastal Engineering (and similar courses) into a full honours degree. The course consolidates the skills and knowledge you have previously acquired and will be co-delivered with the University of Plymouth.

This degree is designed to provide you with the knowledge, skills and ability to innovate and provide essential and sustainable infrastructure, including sea defences, flood protection, water treatment systems, roads, bridges and tunnels.

You will benefit from the exceptional facilities at UCSD and also from Torbay's two miles of coastline, which is a UNESCO-recognised Global Geopark, making it an exceptional location to study the coastal elements.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and assess every application on its own merit. This means that even if you do not meet the specified requirements, you may still be able to study with us.

You should be able to demonstrate an appropriate level of numeracy and literacy, and your overall ability to complete the course is a deciding factor. To find out more about entry requirements, contact us today.

YOUR STUDIES

This course will develop you into a confident and independent technician, capable of directing your own study. You will learn through a range of teaching methods, with a focus on enquiry and problem-based learning, which will lead you to identify and resolve your own learning needs and development.

The course will require study at Plymouth one day a week to study 60 credits and one day a week at UCSD to study a further 60 credits.

The course features a work-based learning module, lectures, seminars, group work and presentations, with additional workshops and tutorials. You will also develop a range of transferable and practical skills through scenarios relating to working practice, which will provide an excellent foundation for your future career.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Structural design
- Individual project
- Business and enterprise in the civil engineering sector
- Work-based project management
- Professional development and the contemporary civil engineering sector

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

You could consider immediately progressing into the industry as a technician or junior engineer in sectors such as surveying, contracting, design or civil and structural engineering.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER
Design and oversee construction of new buildings or bridges. Property extensions.

QUANTITY SURVEYOR
Manage building project costs for architects, commercial businesses, local authorities, government.

CIVIL ENGINEER
Construction of buildings in private, transport and communications sectors.

PROJECT MANAGER
Private sector constructions. Public and government builds. Environmental.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Civil Engineering.

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*SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

DIGITAL AND MEDIA

*THIS COURSE IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

AWARD
Awarded by South Devon College

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
W200

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

FdA CREATIVE DIGITAL DESIGN*

This foundation degree has been designed to provide you with the necessary knowledge and skills to enable you to play a significant role in the rapidly expanding creative and digital design industries. Combining traditional design practice with a strong digital skill set, you will work on a range of engaging and innovative projects that will allow you to develop your creative design skills.

OVERVIEW

During your studies you will consider a variety of production practices, including 3D design, rapid prototyping and interactive design. You will work in both the physical and the digital realms, combining these techniques to create designs in areas such as wearable technology and the Internet of Things, (IoT). You will engage in a number of external live brief projects, working with a range of employers within the region, allowing you to put the skills you develop as part of your foundation degree into practice.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit. To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. You may also be required to provide a portfolio of work as part of the application process.

YOUR STUDIES

You will have access to the latest industry-standard equipment and software, and the skills you develop will be directly transferable to employment opportunities within the hi-tech and creative digital sectors. Throughout this course you will be encouraged to develop a critical and reflective approach to your own practice, enabling you to adapt and grow as a digital practitioner.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Digital concepts
- Client engagement
- Design and visualisation
- Structure and form

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you will have developed both technical and transferable skills. There may be possible progression to further study onto the BA (Hons) Games Arts and Design top-up at UCSD

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to approval.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

DIGITAL DESIGNER
Produce graphics for computer and electronic games. Websites. Film.

PRODUCT DESIGNER
New product development. Manufacturing companies. Agencies or freelance.

INTERACTION DESIGNER
Behavioural scientist between users and computers. Games and Apps.

3D DESIGNER
3D animations. 3D 'life-like' images. Agency or freelance.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Creative Digital Design.

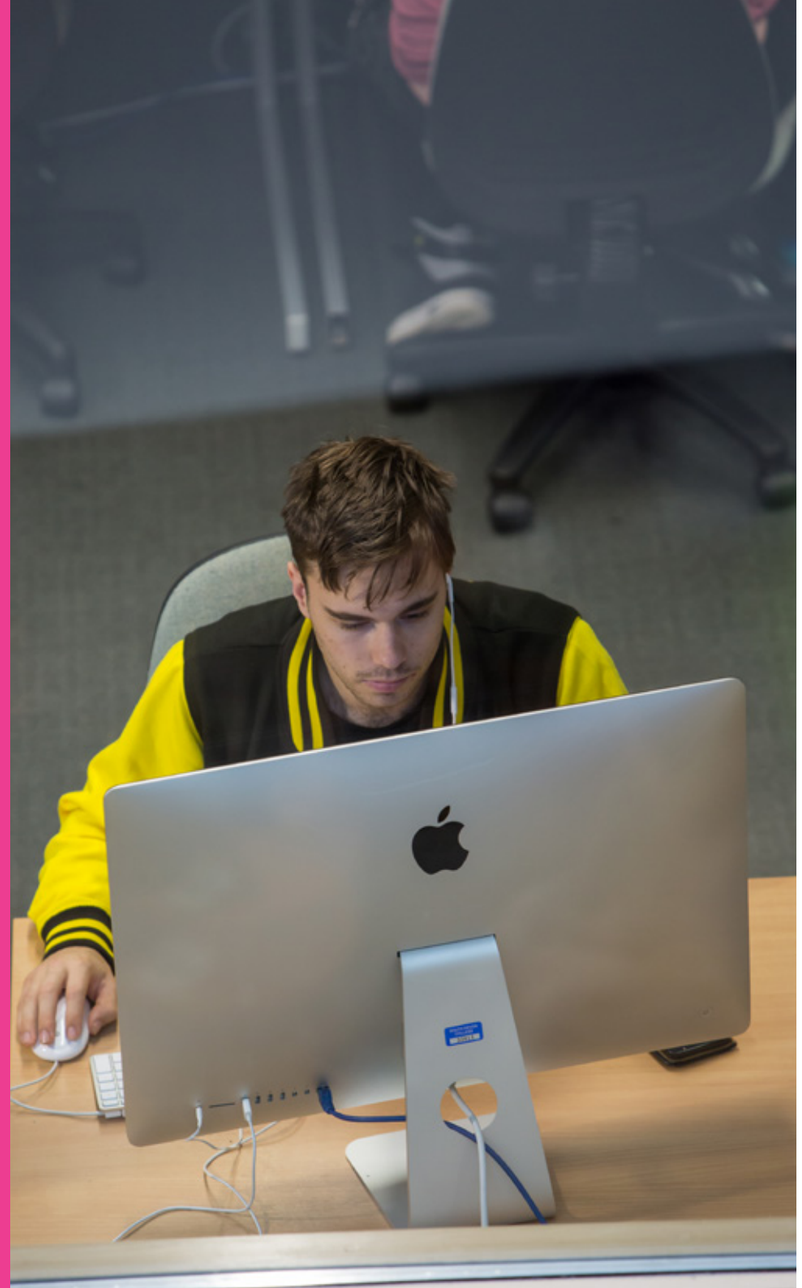
AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
P304

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available



FdA DIGITAL MARKETING

With digital platforms and mediums having an increasing impact on our cultural and personal lives, there are more ways than ever for digital marketers to devise innovative and creative methods of communicating with consumers and taking a product to market. Marketing professionals of the future will need a portfolio of digital skills and, when you graduate, the skills you have developed on this course will provide you with a wealth of interesting opportunities.

OVERVIEW

This foundation degree will combine elements from both the creative digital sector and the business sector to provide you with a broad knowledge base in an applied setting. By focusing on digital technology, creative design and business, you will be able to contribute to innovative and engaging campaigns integrated across a variety of mediums and platforms. You'll also understand the underlying theory and reasoning, including marketing planning, consumer behaviour and market research.

The course will prepare you for work in a variety of fields and careers. You will gain transferable skills and develop practical experience, utilising our strong links with industry to work on live briefs set by local employers.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

You will be able to make use of the extensive facilities at UCSD, including an Apple Mac suite and industry-standard software. The delivery of this course consists of lectures, seminars, guest speakers and the potential to work on live projects with local business.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Principles of marketing
- Digital consumer behaviours
- Content management
- Integrated communications planning

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree, you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Marketing degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

DIGITAL MARKETER
Social media. Pay per click. Agency client or freelance.

PR MANAGER
Create and maintain favourable image for client. Media liaison. Press releases.

WEBMASTER
Publish stories. Maintain clients website content. Website design.

DIGITAL COPYWRITER
Written content for websites. Engage the reader. Client or freelance.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Digital Marketing.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
28P3

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"I enrolled at UCSD after hearing about the course through friends who said I should use my photography skills to learn more. I have recently had my work published in photography magazines!"

Ryan Hardman - FdA Film and Photography

FdA FILM AND PHOTOGRAPHY

This foundation degree has been designed to provide you with the knowledge and skills that will enable you to play a significant role in the rapidly expanding digital media industries. At the end of your course, you will be capable of producing high-quality short films, screenplays and photographs, as well as embracing an understanding of critical and historical traditions in these disciplines.

OVERVIEW

You will consider a variety of production practices, including digital filmmaking, screenwriting and digital photography. You will also develop professionally focused research skills, as well as pre- and post-production techniques. The history of film and photography will also be considered, where you will learn the theoretical approaches to understanding and evaluating these forms of media.

You will have access to the latest industry-standard equipment and software, and the skills you develop will be directly transferable to roles within the creative media sector. Throughout this course you will be encouraged to develop a critical and reflective approach to your own practice, enabling you to adapt and grow as an independent practitioner.

Upon completion, you will have developed both technical and transferable skills, which could lead to a range of careers within this dynamic and evolving sector.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

You may also be required to provide a portfolio of work as part of the application process.

YOUR STUDIES

During this course you will explore contemporary themes through the generation of ideas for still and moving image. This will include location and studio work for drama, documentary, advertising, portraiture, digital imagery and post-production.

All of our teaching team have direct industry experience, enjoy strong links with current practitioners, and can provide invaluable insight into working practice. Teaching and learning is delivered through practical workshops, visits, lectures and seminars.

You will contribute to live projects, enabling you to engage with interesting and exciting productions within a realistic working context. The course may also feature residential film shoots, industrial visits and educational trips overseas.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Narrative
- Digital applications
- Producing and directing for screen

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BA (Hons) Media Arts or BA (Hons) TV Arts top-up degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PHOTOGRAPHER
General. Editorial. Arts. Corporate. Freelance or contract.

FILM DIRECTOR
Freelance. Self-employed on independent projects for large or small screen.

FILM/VIDEO EDITOR
Commercial. Corporate. Features. Music videos. TV.

LIGHTING TECHNICIAN
Major TV production companies. Independent production. Freelance.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Film and Photography.

AWARD

Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE

S32

UCAS

3WOB

MODES OF STUDY

Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"Having progressed from a Level 3 course at South Devon College, I knew that there were excellent facilities and levels of support."

Jack Gladman - FdA Games and Interactive Design

FdA GAMES AND INTERACTIVE DESIGN

This foundation degree concentrates on the technical and artistic use of digital interactive technologies to create games and mobile apps. It provides you with access to a range of software for designing and building interactive content on multiple platforms.

OVERVIEW

Computer coding forms an integral part of the course, providing the technical foundation for dynamic artistic design. You will have the opportunity to specialise in game design or app and web development as you progress through the course.

The course is built around both the theoretical and practical aspects of interactive design, which will develop your skills in contemporary industry practice and technologies. This means that when you graduate, your knowledge and skills will be directly transferable to current roles within the creative media sector.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

You may also be required to provide a portfolio of work as part of the application process.

YOUR STUDIES

This course has a strong focus on employability, and incorporates live industry projects, enabling you to engage with exciting productions within a realistic working context. This will underpin your learning and help you develop a strong understanding of working practice.

The course is delivered through a variety of methods, including practical workshops, industry visits, lectures and seminars, with a range of enrichment opportunities to support your learning.

You will be taught by our team of enthusiastic professionals, who all have direct industry experience and links with current practitioners.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Digital culture
- Interactive narratives
- Sound production
- UX design
- Designing and pitching concept

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BA (Hons)/BSc (Hons) Digital Media Design or BA (Hons) Game Arts and Design degrees at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

APP DEVELOPER
Creation of software for smartphones amongst other devices. Fix bugs.

GAMES DESIGNER
Games studios. Broadcasting companies. Creative agencies. Advertising.

INTERACTION DESIGNER
Behavioural scientist between users and computers. Games and apps.

DIGITAL DESIGNER
Produce graphics for computer and electronic games. Websites. Film.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Games and Interactive Design.

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*SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

EDUCATION

AWARD

Pearson Level 5 Diploma in Education and Training

INSTITUTION CODE

S32

MODES OF STUDY

One year full-time or two years part-time

"I've really enjoyed the learning environment at UCSD. The small groups and specialist teaching make a big difference. There was always someone to ask for help when I needed it."

Scott Parnell - UCSD Alumni

DIPLOMA EDUCATION AND TRAINING

This Level 5 teaching qualification has a teaching/training practice requirement. It is an 'in-service' qualification designed if you are working or wishing to work as a teacher or trainer in England. It may be possible for pre-service teachers and trainers (those who are not formally contracted as teachers and trainers) to also complete this qualification. You must be able to complete 100 hours of teaching, whether pre-service or in-service.

OVERVIEW

At Level 5 you will need to demonstrate a depth of knowledge and understanding.

This will be reflected in:

- A critical reflection of the relationship between theory or principles and practice
- A considered and targeted approach to reading and research
- Clear evidence of substantial reading including professional publications
- An academic style of writing, in which a recognised system of referencing is followed. Writing should be concise and candidates should provide evidence of careful planning.

The course will increase your knowledge and understanding of the needs and characteristics of different types of learners, including children, young adults and people with learning difficulties. You will also gain a range of effective skills for supporting teaching and learning in a team work context.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You should be qualified/experienced in the subject you intend to teach, be able to complete 100 hours of teaching practice, and possess reasonable levels of language, literacy and numeracy.

YOUR STUDIES

When not attending lectures, seminars or practicals you will be expected to continue learning independently. Typically, this will involve reading journal articles and books, working on individual and group projects, undertaking research in the library, preparing coursework assignments and presentations, and preparing for examinations where applicable. Your independent learning is supported by a range of excellent facilities, including the library, the UCSD Research Centre, and our course-specific environments.

MODULES YOU WILL STUDY INCLUDE:

- Teaching, learning and assessment in education and training
- Developing teaching, learning and assessment in education and training
- Theories, principles and models of education and training
- Wider professional practice and development in education and training

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

The qualification will allow you to progress into employment as a teacher or trainer.

The roles you could be working in include:

TEACHER
Create lesson plans and teach groups or individuals across a variety of subjects. Inspire and educate.

SPECIALIST COACH
Expert in a particular field of knowledge. Offer advice and guidance to students and teachers. Research.

TRAINING CO-ORDINATOR
Communicate with managers to identify staff training needs. Map out development plans.

CAREERS ADVISOR
Provide information, advice and guidance to help others make informed and suitable choices regarding their futures.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Education and Training.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
BX71

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"The course was local and exactly what I needed to further my career as an English Teacher in foreign countries."

Ben Steadman - FdA Early Years Care and Education

FdA EARLY YEARS CARE AND EDUCATION

This foundation degree has been designed to provide you with a broad understanding of early years theory and practice, giving you an insight into cultural and contextual changes that influence child development and growth.

OVERVIEW

You will identify and discuss a wide range of inter-related factors (physical, intellectual, emotional, social and cultural) that contribute to children's development, learning and progressive participation in a variety of socio-cultural contexts. Careful and sensitive study of childhood and further critical examination of its origins, policy and practice, will prepare you to work effectively and sensitively with children, parents and colleagues.

There is a large focus on employability, and you will undertake a work placement in your first and second year of study. This will allow you to develop essential practical skills that are supported by the theoretical knowledge you acquire during your studies.

During the second year, you will also have the opportunity to enhance your learning by participating in an educational trip. Previous groups have travelled to Germany, where they visited a forest school. Here, you will experience how children learn in a different culture and educational system. This has been invaluable to students in the past and helped them develop into effective practitioners.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. You'll also need GCSE English and maths at grade 4 or above.

YOUR STUDIES

You will learn through a variety of assessment methods such as seminar discussion and assessment, reflective video diaries, essays, reports and portfolios, all of which will enhance your communication and presentation skills.

All of our teaching team have a wealth of experience and maintain strong links with industry. You will benefit from guest speakers, who will share their experiences and provide you with a valuable insight into working practice. You will also undertake a work placement in your first and second year of study – this could be your current employment or a voluntary placement.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Child development
- Pedagogy of play
- Research methods
- Self-concept and identity
- Safeguarding children and young people

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Early Years Care and Education.

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BA (Hons) Child Development and Education or BA (Hons) Education Development and Society top-up degrees at UCSD, or the final year of the BA (Hons) Early Childhood Studies, BA (Hons) Education Studies degrees at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

EARLY YEARS MANAGER
Create a safe and welcoming environment caring for children. Maintain records. Leadership.

SENIOR NURSERY PRACTITIONER
Develop health awareness of individuals and groups to empower them to make healthy choices.

TEACHING ASSISTANT
Support learning activities in schools and nurseries. Classroom preparation.

*THIS COURSE IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

AWARD
Awarded by South Devon College

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
CYPC

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time

FdA CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY PRACTICE*

This programme is aimed at those wishing to work in a social care context with children, young people and their families, to achieve positive and sustainable change in their lives.

OVERVIEW

As part of the course you will become skilled in recognising and assessing the complex needs children, young people and families often present and be able support with any specific interventions or referrals. The need for respectful curiosity that challenges and supports children, young people and families to achieve their potential and stay safe, will become evident through your studies.

During the programme you will develop an understanding of the importance of early intervention and safeguarding work, allowing you to manage risk across the spectrum needs for children, young people and families.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To apply for this course, we require a relevant Level 3 qualification, or English and maths at Level 2 (GCSE 4 or equivalent).

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, or appropriate industry experience for those who may not hold a Level 3 qualification.

YOUR STUDIES

Within the placement aspect of the programme you will work alongside other professionals and organisations to share the responsibility for improving outcomes. You may volunteer or work in settings as diverse as family homes, youth centres, early years, youth justice, children's centres, educational settings and the community.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

STAGE 1

- Professional practice
- Safeguarding children and young people
- Equality, rights, diversity and cultural differences
- Risk assessment and Intervention.

STAGE 2

- Research methods
- Professional investigation
- Policy and practice
- Supporting social and emotional wellbeing

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress to the final year of the BA (Hons) Child Development and Education, or the BA (Hons) Education, Development and Society top-up degrees at UCSD or the BA (Hons) Children, Schools and Families degree with the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

YOUTH WORKER
Plan and organise community programmes. Address inequalities. Ensure personal development of youth.

ASSISTANT SENDCO
Manage the provision of pupils with special educational needs. Promote high quality teaching.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Early Years Care and Education.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
P9L5

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"The tutors made me feel valued and respected, their commitment to personal growth was evident in their approach."

Sarah Kettle-Buchanan - FdA Teaching and Learning

FdA TEACHING AND LEARNING

This foundation degree is focused on the teaching and learning of people up to 25 years old. It will develop your awareness of current educational issues and policies, and their impact on the role of the teaching assistant and other support staff.

OVERVIEW

The course will increase your knowledge and understanding of the needs and characteristics of different types of learners, including children, young adults and people with learning difficulties. You will also gain a range of effective skills for supporting teaching and learning in a team work context.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications, GCSE English and maths at grade 4 or above.

YOUR STUDIES

This course aims to combine academic theory and practical experience by utilising work-based and experiential forms of learning. The course is delivered through a variety of methods, including lectures, seminars, independent study and practical activity.

The course also utilises online resources for blended learning, which means that you will be able to continue working in an appropriate professional capacity whilst developing academically.

All of our teaching team have a wealth of experience and maintain strong links with industry. You will benefit from guest speakers, who will share their experiences and provide you with a valuable insight into working practice. You will also undertake a work placement in your first and second year of study – this could be your current employment or a voluntary placement.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Educational policy and practice
- Pastoral care
- Supporting literacy and numeracy core curriculum
- Supporting learners with learning disabilities and difficulties
- Understanding psychological, social and emotional aspects of behaviour

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BA (Hons) Child Development and Education top-up degree at UCSD or the final year of the BA (Hons) Education Studies degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

TEACHING ASSISTANT
Support learning activities in schools and nurseries. Classroom and lesson preparation.

ASSISTANT SENDCO
Manage the provision for pupils identified as having special educational needs. Promote high- quality teaching.

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER
Support progress leaders and managers in management of pupils. Ensure full learning potential is met.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Teaching and Learning.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
CX83

MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time and two years part-time

"The teaching staff were amazing. They really encourage you to believe in yourself and get the show your full potential."

Louise Iddon - BA (Hons) Child Development and Education

BA (Hons) CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION (TOP-UP)

This course is a top up to convert the FdA Early Years Care and Education degree (or similar) into a full honours degree. The course consolidates the skills and knowledge you have previously acquired, whilst developing your understanding of working practice.

OVERVIEW

The course is multi-disciplinary in nature and focuses the complexities of family life, the continuum of growth and the significance of childhood in contemporary culture and society. You will study children and young people's development in an ecological context, drawing upon a range of influential factors such as anthropology, psychology, education, welfare, sociology and economics.

You will analyse and critically evaluate the processes that shape childhood and people's lives, exploring topics that cover the changing nature of childhood, ethical principles in relation to working practice and young people's rights. The course will give you a broad understanding of early years, children and young people theory and practice, with a focus on birth to 18 years.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To enrol on this course, you will require 240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma in a relevant subject. You will also need a grade 4 or above in GCSE English and maths.

YOUR STUDIES

This course will develop you into a confident and independent practitioner, capable of directing your own study. You will learn through a range of teaching methods, with a focus on enquiry and problem-based learning, which will enable you to identify and resolve your own learning needs and development.

The course features lectures, seminars, group work and presentations, with additional workshops and tutorials.

You will also develop a range of transferable and practical skills through scenarios relating to working practice, which will provide an excellent foundation for your future career or further study.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Context and policy for children
- Geographical and sociological lenses of childhood
- Perception, thought and consciousness
- Global education
- Research in child development and education

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you have a wide range of career opportunities open to you or you can undertake further study towards gaining a Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) or equivalent teaching qualifications.

The roles you could be working in include:

LEARNING MENTOR
Provide support and guidance to children experiencing learning difficulties. Help overcome barriers.

EARLY YEARS TEACHER
Motivate and stimulate a child's learning abilities. Pastoral care. Develop visual aids and resources.

COMMUNICATION EDUCATION OFFICER
Organise and encourage participation in local educational programmes. Develop learners' employability skills.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Child Development and Education.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
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MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time and two years part-time

"UCSD offered a pathway of learning that fitted in with my life commitments."

Elizabeth Adamson - BA (Hons) Education, Society and Development

BA (Hons) EDUCATION, DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIETY (TOP-UP)

This top-up year will enhance your understanding of the psychological and sociological factors that impact upon education and development.

OVERVIEW

This course has been designed as a top up from foundation degrees in psychology, sociology, criminology, education and early years, or as a progression from a Level 5 teaching qualification. A wide range of theoretical perspectives are explored to help you understand issues which impact upon the experience of people in education and in broader social and global contexts. You will be challenged to identify interventions that could be used in the workplace to enhance learning, understanding, social cohesion, self esteem and equality of opportunity.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You must have passed a foundation degree within a relevant field or achieved a pass grade on a Diploma in Education and Training (DET) course. You will be required to have GCSE maths and English at grade 4 or above.

Your Studies

The BA programme consists of four core option modules, including a dissertation, making up 100 credits. You can then choose from one of two option modules.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Educational psychology
- Perception, thought and consciousness
- Global education
- The psychology of social interaction
- Sociology and education
- Dissertation – an individual research project with an educational, psychological or sociological grounding

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree, you are prepared for professional practice in a number of fields. Alternatively you may wish to continue your studies at postgraduate level, for example on a MA, MSc or PGCE programme.

The roles you could be working in include:

VICTIM CARE OFFICER
Help those in the aftermath of a crime. Home visits or telephone care. Assess individuals' needs.

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER
Support progress leaders and managers in management of pupils. Ensure full learning potential is met.

THERAPY SERVICES MANAGER
Oversee teams of mental health professionals. Ensure high levels of care.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Education, Development and Society.

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*SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

HEALTH

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
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MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time and two years part-time

HNC ENHANCED CARE WORK

This Higher National Certificate (HNC) focuses on the social care sector, and provides you with valuable practical experience, enabling you to pursue a variety of careers at a time when demand on this broad sector is increasing. The course also offers you the opportunity to gain specialist and advanced clinical competencies alongside your studies, further evidencing your skills and increasing your employability.

OVERVIEW

You will be able to utilise the clinical skills and simulation suite at South Devon College's Centre for Health and Care Professions, gaining essential skills and experience in competencies. These include venepuncture, catheterisation, wound management and dementia care, which are vital for the enhanced care work role within the current social care landscape. Practical sessions and trips scheduled throughout the year are designed to develop skills and confidence in adapting your clinical techniques and leadership skills. This will allow you to reflect the varying situations you will face and need to overcome to be a successful and effective enhanced care worker. You will be learning in challenging environments, ensuring that when you graduate you will be well prepared to work in almost any setting.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will usually require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. Applicants should also hold a DBS (formerly CRB). Clearance applicants who have spent convictions should discuss their individual circumstances with the programme co-ordinator prior to submitting an application.

Applicants will need full occupational health clearance and to gain a work-based agreement with one of our placement partners where required.

Applicants who are already employed within the sector and wish to undertake a secondment or utilise the organisation as their host placement, should discuss their individual requirements with the Programme Co-ordinator before applying.

YOUR STUDIES

Our dedicated teaching teams will support your application of theoretical and practical knowledge and will be invaluable to your development as an effective enhanced care worker. Their passion and enthusiasm is exceptional, with dedicated support and tutorial time available so that you can make the most of your studies. This support has been crucial to the success of past students, many of whom did not come from a traditional education pathway, and helps ensure your success.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Health and wellness of residents
- The medical social care environment
- Assessing and managing physical conditions
- Therapeutic communication in social care
- Skills for the enhanced care worker

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this HNC you may be able to progress onto the FdSc Healthcare Practice (Assistant Practitioner) (Level 5) or FdSc Community Health and Wellbeing (Level 5) foundation degrees at UCSD.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

ENHANCED CARE WORKER
Administer medication. Nutrition plans. Manage patients' vital signs.

SENIOR SUPPORT WORKER
Oversee teams of support staff. Provide coaching and mentoring. Direct patient care.

CARE HOME SUPERVISOR
Ensure delivery of a quality patient care service. Train staff. Budget management.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Enhanced Care Work.

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AWARD
Awarded by South Devon College

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
B900

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, four years part-time and modular study available

FdSc ASSISTANT PRACTITIONER*

This foundation degree is designed to provide you with a direct route to becoming an assistant practitioner within the NHS or other health and care organisations. Alternatively, it could form the basis of your studies for preparation to work in a variety of other healthcare professions. The assistant practitioner role is essential to the future development of health and social care, and by completing this foundation degree you will meet the requirements to work in a Band 4 role within the NHS.

OVERVIEW

The course is delivered in partnership with the Torbay Care Trust, which means that some study will take place at the Horizons Centre, at Torbay Hospital. This enables you to fully utilise an exceptional clinical skills facility, where you will learn from experts in their field.

During your studies you will spend two days each week in a clinical placement, giving you an excellent opportunity to put the theoretical knowledge you develop into practice. You will also gain valuable experience in a healthcare setting, which will strengthen your CV and improve your employment prospects.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. Level 2 English and maths are also essential.

You must have full DBS (formerly CRB) clearance. For those applicants who have spent convictions, this must be disclosed and discussed with the programme co-ordinator before applying.

Applicants must have full occupational health clearance and declare they are fit to practise before placement will commence.

Placements are allocated in diverse health and social care settings with one of our partnerships trusts or organisations across the peninsula placement network.

YOUR STUDIES

During your studies you will learn from a variety of engaging and innovative methods, including detailed seminar discussion, guest speakers, reflective diaries and essay writing, all of which have been designed to enhance your communication and presentation skills.

Our teaching team are highly experienced, enthusiastic practitioners, who all have contemporary skills and regularly refresh and update their knowledge. This ensures you remain inspired and learn skills relevant to working practice.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Skills for healthcare practice
- Applied anatomy and physiological principles
- The care process
- Diverse perspectives on health and illness

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Enhanced Integrated Care degree at UCSD. Alternatively you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult) or BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health) degrees at the University of Plymouth, subject to progression considered on a case-by-case basis.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

ASSISTANT PRACTITIONER
Specialist in particular area of clinical practice. Support nurse and wider medical team.

NURSE
Administer medication and injections. Observe and implement care plans. Operation preparation.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Healthcare Practice.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
2M73

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

FdSc COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING

This foundation degree is designed to provide you with the relative work-based experience and development skills required to become a practitioner within the community and public health setting, NHS or other health and care organisation. Alternatively, it could form the basis of your studies for preparation to work in a variety of other healthcare professions. The practitioner role is essential to the future development of community health and wellbeing, and completing this foundation degree will provide you with the employability skills to gain roles within the health and wellbeing field.

OVERVIEW

During your studies you will spend two days each week in a work placement, giving you an excellent opportunity to put the theoretical knowledge you develop into practice. You will also gain valuable experience in a public or community health and wellbeing setting, which will strengthen your CV and improve your future employment prospects.

The course provides a detailed understanding of health and wellbeing, including knowledge of nutrition, diet, healthy choices, behavioural changes and techniques for lifestyle intervention. You'll also consider the key skills to put this knowledge into practice and how to operate as an effective practitioner and promoter of public health and wellbeing within your community.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. Level 2 English and maths are essential.

YOUR STUDIES

The course will be delivered by an experienced teaching team, who are all former or current practitioners in the field. We enjoy a strong working relationship with the Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust, as well as various local community bodies, which will be utilised during your studies.

The foundation degree will be available on a full-time and part-time basis, and will also include a distance learning option to ensure it is flexible around current employment and commitments.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Community health and wellbeing
- Research foundations for community health
- Law, ethics and policy
- Illness and disease

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BSc (Hons) Enhanced Integrated Care top-up degree at UCSD.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT WORKER
Identify community skills. Health issues and needs. Develop new resources.

HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST
Understand the health of individuals and groups

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Community Health and Wellbeing.

*THIS COURSE IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

AWARD
Awarded by South Devon College

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48 UCAS points plus GCSE English and maths at Level 2 (GCSE 4 or equivalent)

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
2AUD

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time

FdSc HEARING AID AUDIOLOGY*

This course will provide you with the skills you need to qualify as a hearing aid audiologist whilst continuing to work. As part of this programme you will understand how to run a safe and successful practice and make a difference to people's lives.

OVERVIEW

Hearing aid dispensers independently test people's hearing, advise on hearing care and where necessary, supplies, and fit hearing aids and other communication devices. Hearing aid dispensers can work in a variety of settings including the NHS, private practice and retail and in employed or self-employed positions. The role is typically performed in either a clinical, community or domiciliary setting. On graduation you can apply to the Health and Care Professions Council for registration as a hearing aid dispenser (subject to approval with HCPC).

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To apply for this course, we require a GCSE English and maths at Level 2 (GCSE 4 or equivalent).

To enrol on this course, you will require 48 UCAS points, or appropriate industry experience for those who may not hold a Level 3 qualification.

YOUR STUDIES

Within the placement aspect of the programme you will work alongside other professionals and organisations to share the responsibility for improving outcomes.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Audiological assessment
- Hearing aid technology
- Introduction to auditory sciences
- Pathology for audiology
- Auditory rehabilitation

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress to the BSc (Hons) Enhanced Integrated Care top-up degree at UCSD awarded by the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

AUDIOLOGIST
Examine patients who have hearing, balance or ear-related problems. Assessments and examinations.

HEARING SPECIALIST
Administer tests to evaluate hearing disabilities. Evaluate air conduction, bone conduction and speech audiometry abilities of patients.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Hearing Aid Audiology.

*THIS COURSE IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL

AWARD
Awarded by South Devon College

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
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MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

FdSc NURSING ASSOCIATE*

This foundation degree is designed to provide you with a direct route to becoming a nursing associate within the health and care landscape. Alternatively, it could form the basis of your studies to prepare for work in a variety of other healthcare professions, including continuing studies into both adult and mental health nursing.

OVERVIEW

The nursing associate role is a new and innovative role which is essential to the future development of health and social care. By completing this foundation degree you will meet the requirements to work in a Band 4 (AfC) role within the NHS and other health and care organisations.

Once selected for the role by your host organisation, you will spend 30 hours each week in a clinical placement, which includes further exposure across all health and social care settings. This will provide you with an excellent opportunity to put the theoretical knowledge you develop into practice.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will usually require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. You must also have a minimum Level 2 in maths and English.

Please note, applicants are currently only accepted via secondment from one of our partnerships trusts or organisations.

Following graduation you will be eligible for registration and regulation with the Nursing and Midwifery Council, therefore you must have full DBS clearance, for those applicants who have spent convictions, this must be disclosed and discussed with the programme co-ordinator before applying. Applicants must have full occupational health clearance and declare they are fit to practise before placement will commence.

YOUR STUDIES

Our dedicated teaching teams will help you apply theoretical and practical knowledge and will be invaluable to your development as an effective nursing associate. Their passion and enthusiasm is exceptional, with dedicated support and tutorial time available so that you can make the most of your studies. This support has been crucial to the success of past students , many of whom did not come from a traditional education pathway, and helps ensure your success.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Values and ethics in healthcare practice
- Enhancing holistic person-centred care
- Applied anatomy and physiological principles
- Clinical research in practice
- Contemporary issues and interventions in healthcare

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress to the final year of the BSc (Hons) Enhanced Integrated Care degree at UCSD, or the BSc (Hons) Nursing (Adult) or (Mental Health) degrees at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

NURSE
Administer medication and injections. Observe and implement care plans. Operation preparation.

PHYSIOTHERAPIST
Treat patients with physical problems. Administer care. Promote good health and injury prevention.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Healthcare Practice.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
HEIC

MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time and two years part-time

"The skills I developed during my studies have been essential to finding employment in a Band 5 role. I gained knowledge across a range of areas, with the course structured in a way to help enable you to achieve so much and prepare you for the future."

David Hickman - BSc (Hons) Enhanced Integrated Care

BSc (Hons) ENHANCED INTEGRATED CARE (TOP-UP)

This course is a top up to convert the FdSc Healthcare Practice (or similar) into a full honours degree. The course will enable you to strengthen the theoretical and practical skills that you acquired at foundation degree level.

OVERVIEW

You will consider a variety of different subject areas, enhancing your clinical knowledge and development and preparing you for employment in various roles and settings.

Local employers have contributed to the course content, structure and delivery. This ensures that you graduate with the skills that are needed in the employment market. The modules you study relate to working practice, providing you with both theoretical and vocational skills that will prepare you well in your chosen profession.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will usually require 240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma. Applicants should also hold a clear DBS (formerly CRB). Applicants who have spent convictions should discuss their individual circumstances with the programme coordinator prior to submitting an application. Applicants will need full occupational health clearance and, where required, successfully gain a work-based agreement with one of our placement partner.

YOUR STUDIES

Our dedicated teaching teams will help you apply theoretical and practical knowledge and will be invaluable in providing a broad higher education experience that is relevant to the industry.

Their passion and enthusiasm is exceptional, with dedicated support and tutorial time available so that you can make the most of your studies. This support has been crucial to the success of past students, many of whom did not come from a traditional education pathway, and helps ensure your success.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Divergence in health and wellbeing
- Lean healthcare and clinical effectiveness
- Quality improvement and patient safety
- Generational factors and patient engagement

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you will have a wide range of career opportunities. Alternatively you could consider further study at postgraduate level or enter various health professional roles such as:

HEALTH SERVICE MANAGER
Oversee team of health professionals. Implement new policies. Project management.

SENIOR SUPPORT WORKER
Oversee teams of support staff. Provide coaching and mentoring. Direct patient care.

CARE HOME SUPERVISOR
Ensure delivery of a quality patient care service. Train staff. Budget management.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Enhanced Integrated Care.

COURSES

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MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS

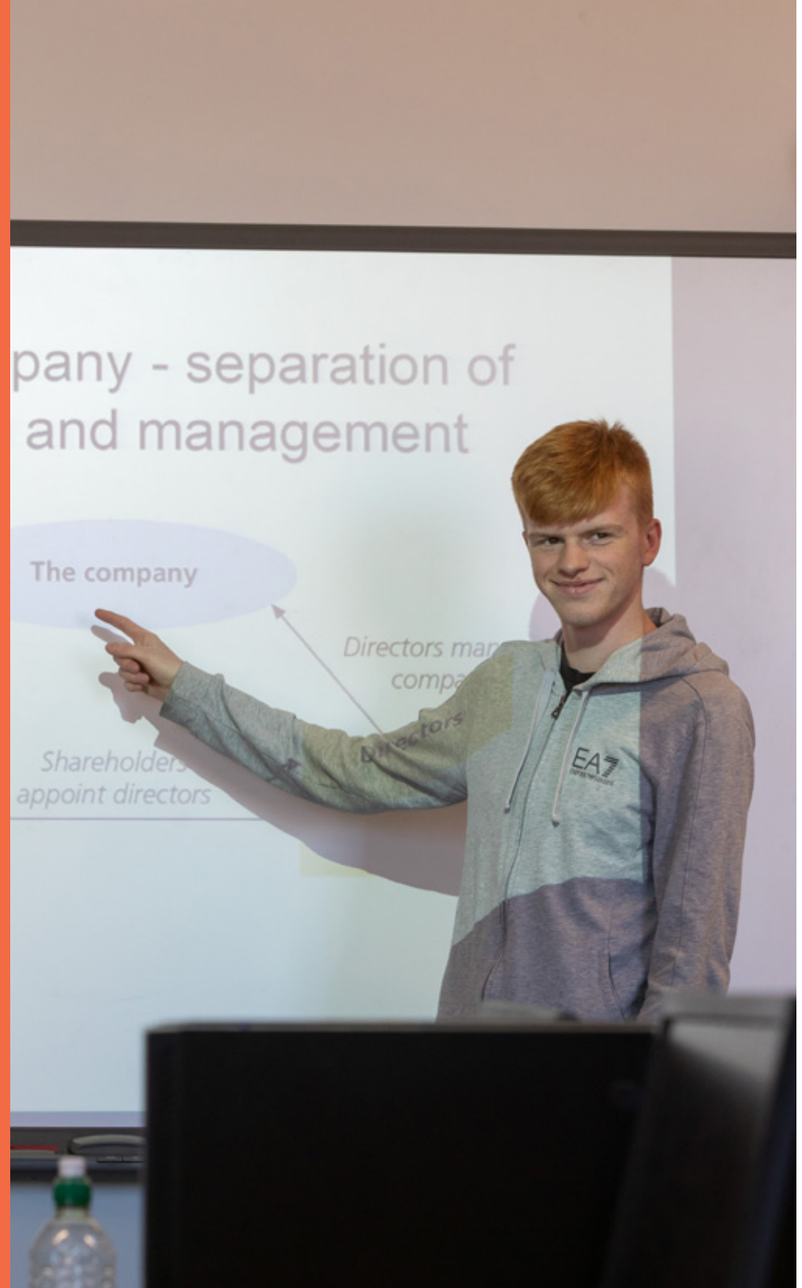
AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
N100

MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time, two years part-time



HNC BUSINESS

This higher national certificate will equip you with the skills to progress and succeed in a variety of careers within business, providing you with experience in disciplines such as finance, management and marketing.

OVERVIEW

An integral element of the course is building relevant industry experience by working with local employers on projects and assessments. You will also develop a broad and transferable skill set, which will support you in your current employment. The course will also enable you to refine your research, leadership and management skills.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, or appropriate industry experience.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is delivered through a wide range of methods, including lectures, seminars and workshops. There may also be the opportunity to participate in local and national visits. Previous students have visited Jaguar Land Rover in Birmingham, Munich, Amsterdam and Brussels.

You will gain valuable practical experience by working with local businesses on live projects and assessments to strengthen your CV and prospects.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Organisational behaviour
- Financial reporting and accountability
- Marketing and intelligence strategy
- Economics for business
- Digital business

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this higher national certificate, you may be able to progress onto the final year of the FdA Business and Management foundation degree at UCSD.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

BUSINESS ADVISOR
Advise a variety of clients on business landscapes. Finance. Networking. Strategy and planning.

PROJECT MANAGER
Campaigns. New product launches. Employer functions. Networking events.

MARKETER
Digital advertising. Printed mailings. Social media campaigns. Billboard promotions.

HR MANAGER
Head of internal employee matters.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Business.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

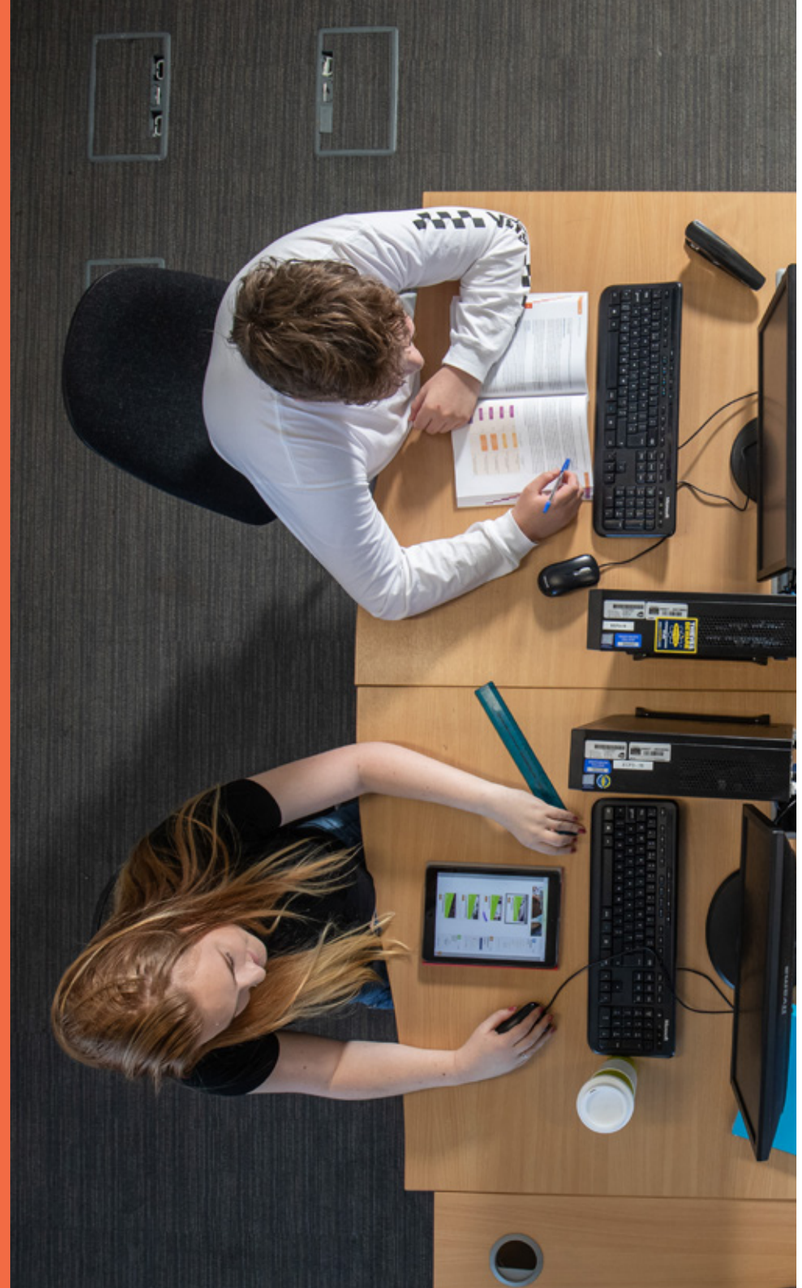
INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
N100

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time

"The foundation degree at UCSD provided me with the fundamental knowledge and confidence I needed to start my own business."

Katherine Cooper - FdA Business and Management



FdA BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

This foundation degree will equip you with the skills to progress and succeed in a variety of careers within business, providing you with experience in disciplines such as finance, management and marketing.

OVERVIEW

An integral element of the course is working with local employers on projects and assessments, and building relevant industry experience. You will be working with businesses and/or community groups on live marketing and business strategy projects, where you will apply the theoretical knowledge you develop during your studies.

You will develop a broad and transferable skill set, enabling you to seek employment in almost any sector upon completion and also to benefit from enterprise opportunities. You will refine your research, leadership and management skills.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is delivered through a wide range of methods, including lectures, seminars, workshops and collaborative discussion. There may also be the opportunity to participate in local and national visits. Previous students have visited large companies and business districts, such as Jaguar Land Rover in Birmingham and Canary Wharf in London, and gone on trips to Amsterdam, Brussels and Munich.

You will gain valuable practical experience by working with local businesses on live projects and assessments to strengthen your CV and prospects.

MODULES YOU WILL STUDY INCLUDE:

- Financial reporting and accountability
- Marketing and intelligence strategy
- Economics for business
- Organisational behaviour
- Digital business

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BA (Hons) Leadership and Management top-up degree at UCSD, or the final year of the BA (Hons) Business, BA (Hons) Human Resource Management, or BA (Hons) International Management degrees at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

BUSINESS ADVISOR
Advise a variety of clients on business landscapes. Finance. Networking. Strategy and planning.

PROJECT MANAGER
Campaigns. New product launches. Employer functions. Networking events.

MARKETER
Digital advertising. Printed mailings. Social media campaigns. Billboard promotions.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Business and Management.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
N801

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"The skills I have developed at UCSD have enabled me to progress in my studies and build a successful career in events and conference management. After graduating with my foundation degree I went on to study a further year on the BA (Hons) Events Management programme at the University of West London."

Trish Albano - FdA Tourism, Hospitality and Events Management

FdA/HNC TOURISM, HOSPITALITY AND EVENTS MANAGEMENT

If you are interested in the dynamic sectors of tourism, hospitality and events, or are currently employed in the industry and wish to develop your management career, then this is the course for you. It provides you with the opportunity to develop skills in both operational and managerial aspects of the sector.

OVERVIEW

By studying at UCSD, you'll be surounded in the English Riviera, where tourism and hospitality blend with a strong events industry. This foundation degree considers a broad range of topics and disciplines to provide you with a holistic and varied skill set that can be applied in a vocational setting during various work and course experiences.

We recognise that you may wish to undertake part-time work during your studies, which is why the course is scheduled around the nature and demands of tourism, hospitality and events industries, being predominantly timetabled on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays (subject to change).

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

This course provides you with many stimulating opportunities. The nature of the tourism, hospitality and events industries is reflected in the style of teaching and learning. Key lectures are heavily supported by regular trips, visits and guest lectures from industry experts.

Previous students have had the opportunity to attend a three-day visit to London, where they considered the current trends and challenges in our capital city. In the past this trip has included visits to some of the most prestigious hotels in London, and tours of Canary Wharf, the Bank of England, the Houses of Parliament and the Olympic Village.

Previous students have also benefited from overseas trips to destinations such as Berlin, Cannes, Monaco, Naples, Paris, Reims, Rome and Venice.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Dimensions of tourism
- Events management
- Digital communication and strategy

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BA (Hons) Hospitality, Tourism and Events Management top-up degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

EVENTS MANAGER
Variety of clients and industries. Venue research. Co-ordinate suppliers. Organise facilities.

RESTAURATEUR
Global opportunities. Analyse restaurant performance. Budget management.

TOUR MANAGER
Travel opportunities. Liaise with tour groups. Organise attractions and fulfil travel arrangements.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Tourism, Hospitality and Events Management.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
A3NB

MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time or two years part-time

"I've found the tutors to be very friendly and it's easy to make new friends whilst studying."

David Crompton - BA (Hons) Leadership and Management

BA (Hons) LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT (TOP-UP)

This degree is designed as a progression route for students who have successfully completed the FdA Business and Management, FdA Digital Marketing, FdSc Healthcare Practice or FdA Tourism, Hospitality and Events Management foundation degrees. Progression from other suitable courses will also be considered.

OVERVIEW

The programme has been designed to develop management and leadership skills, based strongly around decision-making, management development and strategic leadership, whilst addressing many major concepts including the values, principles and rules within the subject. This is in response to the needs of many local employers, with many organisations commenting that they expect to require more people with these vital skills over the next three to five years.

The programme will also develop your problem-solving, critical analysis and interpersonal skills, which are essential to succeed within management in any industry, providing you with a range of exciting job opportunities upon completion.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To enrol on this programme you will require 240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma in a relevant subject. We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

YOUR STUDIES

The programme will be delivered through a variety of methods, including lectures, student-led seminars, research projects and analytical assessments. These methods have been chosen to develop you as both an independent and critical thinker.

The programme maintains a strong practical element by applying theoretical study to real-world cases, providing you with a grounding and understanding of working practice. You may also benefit from guest speakers and educational trips as part of your learning.

Assessments will include essays, seminar work, presentations, research projects and debates, as many employers require skills in these areas.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Leadership and management concepts
- Operational decision-making
- Corporate strategy in action
- Marketing planning and stakeholder management

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you will be well prepared to work in management roles in a range of careers and sectors.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PROJECT MANAGER
Campaigns. New product launches. Employer functions. Networking events.

EVENTS MANAGER
Variety of clients and industries. Venue research. Co-ordinate suppliers.

HR MANAGER
Head of internal employee matters. Variety of industries and sectors.

OPERATIONS MANAGER
Oversee production of goods and services. Analyse statistics. Business strategy.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Leadership and Management.

COURSES

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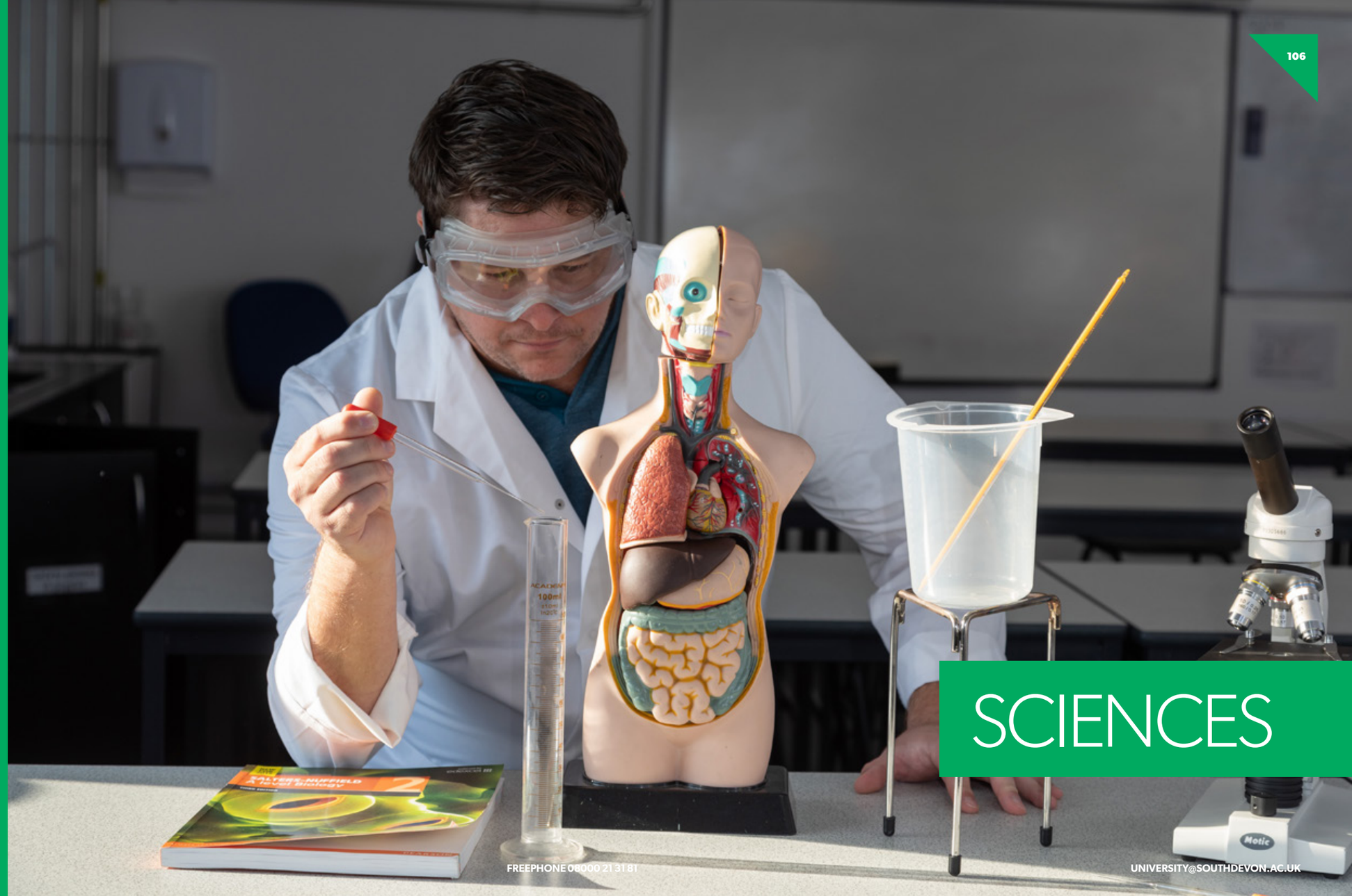

AWARD

Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

72 UCAS points and above

INSTITUTION CODE

S32

UCAS

D300

MODES OF STUDY

Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available. Foundation year 0 pathway available please see page 111

"Due to the size of the classes at UCSD I received more one-to-one time with the tutors. Since graduating I've worked at Camp America teaching Animal Science, then lived in Thailand for 18 months teaching Outdoor Education and Science."

Robyn Downs - FdSc Animal Science

FdSc ANIMAL SCIENCE

This is a wide-ranging foundation degree that incorporates contemporary issues in the animal science sector, including animal behaviour, welfare, sustainability and conservation. The course focuses on enhancing your employability and career prospects by developing your academic, vocational and transferable skills.

OVERVIEW

You will work in our well-equipped laboratories and may have the opportunity to participate in work experience with a land-based employer in order to gain valuable practical experience. You will also work with UCSD's extensive collection of over 100 animals, including companion, livestock and exotic species such as meerkats, reptiles, amphibians, pigs and goats.

The teaching team offers an excellent level of support, enabling you to learn from experienced practitioners who can help develop your skills and advise you on career opportunities and working practice.

Your studies will give you the opportunity to select a subject that interests you, enabling you to specialise in a specific area and develop a highly advanced skillset. You will develop your practical, research and communication skills, and upon completion you will be a well-rounded, confident and independent practitioner, capable of succeeding in whichever profession or specialism you choose.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require a minimum of 72 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. You will also require GCSE English and maths at grade 4 or above.

YOUR STUDIES

You will learn from dedicated sessions where you engage in husbandry with our animal collection, gaining valuable, practical animal-handling skills. You will also learn from activities such as debates, group tasks and lectures.

The course features various field trips, with previous cohorts visiting Madagascar, Transylvania, Scotland and London. We work closely with organisations such as Paignton Zoo, and the Torbay Coast and Countryside Trust, which provides you with the opportunity to build industry links. Your practical skills will also be developed through a minimum of 20 days' work experience with a land-based employer in a relevant sector.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Animal husbandry and handling
- Principles of animal behaviour
- Animal nutrition
- Wildlife management and rehabilitation
- Animal health and welfare

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BSc Applied Animal Science top-up at UCSD, or the final year of the BSc (Hons) Animal Conservation Science or the second year of the BSc (Hons) Animal Behaviour and Welfare degrees at the University of Plymouth.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

ANIMAL BEHAVIOURIST
Study animals' interaction with others and their environment. Research. Psychology.

ANIMAL TRAINER
Train animals for riding. Security. Domestic.

CONSERVATIONIST
Local authorities. Government. Preserve habitats of plants and animals.

ZOO KEEPER
Wellbeing of animals living in zoos. Bathing. Feeding. Exercising. Nutrition planning.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Animal Science.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
64 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
C900

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available. Foundation year 0 pathway available please see page 111

"The quality of teaching I received at UCSD was exceptional"

Emma Browne - FdSc Biosciences

FdSc BIOSCIENCES

Royal Society of Biology

This foundation degree, accredited by the Royal Society of Biology, is perfect preparation for a career in the rapidly evolving life sciences sector, which continues to grow in the UK and EU. As the government continues to invest in this sector, intending the UK to become a global hub for life sciences, there have never been more opportunities for graduates in this field to excel.

OVERVIEW

You will receive dedicated support from our experienced teaching team, and work in our well-resourced laboratories. The course considers both the theory and practice linked to a range of study and job areas in the biosciences sector, preparing you either for further specialist study or progression into employment upon completion. The curriculum has been designed to develop you into a well-rounded and skilled practitioner, focusing not just on the theoretical knowledge you will require, but also necessary skills such as laboratory management and health and safety.

The course has a strong focus on employability, and you will be encouraged and supported in gaining work experience with an employer in South Devon. During this time you may support day-to-day operations, or be involved in project work. This experience will help you identify the area of biosciences that interests you most, develop your practical, research and communication skills, and also increase your employability by securing a vocational reference and building strong links in the local industry.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each candidate is assessed on their own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require a minimum of 64 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

This course focuses on both practical and theoretical study, with dedicated time in our well-equipped laboratories. You will develop into an independent learner with extensive research skills, preparing you for a career in biosciences.

We will encourage you to secure a work experience placement with a suitable employer. This will help you gain vocational skills in a real working environment, enabling you to apply the theoretical knowledge you have learnt.

Some students secure employment through their work placement, and a good report or reference will significantly strengthen your CV and prospects.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Laboratory techniques
- Cell biology
- Molecular genetics, bio-technology and cancer
- Biodiversity and speciation

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Biosciences.

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BSc (Hons) Biosciences top-up degree or the second year of the BSc (Hons) Human Biosciences, BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences degrees at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

LABORATORY TECHNICIAN
Perform tests to produce reliable scientific data. Prepare samples.

BIOCHEMIST
Study of chemical compositions and processes. Cell development. Living energy changes.

MICROBIOLOGIST
Hospitals. Pharmaceuticals. Develop and register medicines.

CLINICAL GENETICIST
Treat patients with inherited or genetically influenced health issues. Screenings.

AWARD

The foundation year is open for all who wish to progress to degree-level study in science. Applications are assessed on an individual basis and are welcomed from any discipline

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE

S32

UCAS

FdSc Animal Science D300
FdSc Biosciences C900

MODES OF STUDY

One year full-time (leading to two years full-time or three years part-time)

FOUNDATION YEAR WITH ROUTES TO

FdSc ANIMAL SCIENCE OR FdSc BIOSCIENCES

This course is designed to help you progress to university-level study in a scientific field, and is relevant to students from a variety of backgrounds.

OVERVIEW

The course is suitable for those wishing to change to a science pathway, improve their current scientific qualification or build upon previous professional experience.

There are two named pathways, one leading to a foundation degree in Biosciences, and the other to Animal Science. Both pathways will introduce you to key concepts in biology, chemistry, and maths, as well as developing your study skills. In addition, you will study a module directly related to your chosen progression route.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The foundation year is relevant to students with non-standard qualifications, including those without science qualifications at Level 3. Applications from such students are welcomed and are assessed on an individual basis. This programme is also suitable for those returning to study who can offer work-related or other experience in place of formal qualifications and who have basic mathematical, English and science skills (i.e. at grade 4 or above at GCSE level or equivalent).

Both degrees have top-up years, either at UCSD or at the University of Plymouth, which lead to a BSc (Hons) qualification.

YOUR STUDIES

The course is delivered through a variety of interactive teaching methods, including laboratory sessions, lectures, seminars and tutorials. You may have the opportunity to participate in field work and benefit from guest speakers with industry experience.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Introduction to cell biology
- Introduction to chemistry
- Systems biology

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this course, you may progress on to either the FdSc Biosciences or FdSc Animal Science foundation degrees at UCSD. If you decide you wish to progress to an alternative degree at UCSD, or elsewhere, you must check that this course will be accepted as an entry qualification and you will have to apply through UCAS.

After completing the course you could pursue a future career in the following roles:

ANIMAL BEHAVIOURIST
Study animals' interaction with others and their environment. Research. Psychology.

CONSERVATIONIST
Local authorities. Government. Preserve habitats of plants and animals.

LABORATORY TECHNICIAN
Perform tests to produce reliable scientific data. Prepare samples.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Animal Science or Biosciences.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
4M13

MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time or two years part-time

"UCSD has an amazing animal unit with dozens of animals which offers practical hands-on experience."

Susan Hill - BSc (Hons) Applied Animal Science

BSc (Hons) APPLIED ANIMAL SCIENCE (TOP-UP)

This course is a top-up to convert the FdSc Animal Science foundation degree (or a foundation degree in a similar subject area such as animal management, welfare or conservation) into a full honours degree.

OVERVIEW

Your studies will encompass a dedicated research project in an area of animal or land-based science that interests you. The course explores a broad range of topics to provide you with in-depth knowledge of current issues in animal science, such as sustainable food production, conservation, bio-ethics and behavioural ecology.

The course focuses strongly on developing the leadership and practical skills required by employers. You will undertake training and attend conferences that complement your interests and career aspirations, ensuring a comprehensive and advanced skill set and making you an effective and confident practitioner. These include:
The Mammal Society Conference, ecological surveying, animal nursing assistant qualifications and dog grooming qualifications.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To enrol on this course, you will require 240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma in a relevant subject.

YOUR STUDIES

Guest speakers and applied field study are an important part of this course, undertaken in collaboration with conservation and land-based organisations. Your studies will incorporate a mix of student- and teacher-led activities, including group tasks, debates, seminars and lectures, all of which are delivered in an inclusive and engaging learning environment.

Modules are assessed through examinations and coursework. Coursework may be in the form of essays, scientific reports, field work or presentations. You will be required to undertake your own research and academic reading in order to prepare, as well as to develop your understanding of the topics covered. By doing this, you will grow as an independent professional, capable of leading your own study and development.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Bio-ethics and anthrozoology
- Project management
- Birds: diversity, behaviour and conservation
- Advanced ecology

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you will have a wide range of career opportunities.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT
Conduct field surveys. Research. Renewable energy opportunities.

ANIMAL BEHAVIOURIST
Study animals' interaction with others and their environment. Research. Psychology.

ANIMAL NUTRITIONIST
Formulate diets for specific types of animals. Scientific research firms. Animal food manufacturing.

ZOOLOGIST
Conduct research of animals in captivity or natural environments. Prepare reports and specimens.

CONSERVATIONIST
Local authorities. Government. Preserve habitats of plants and animals.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Applied Animal Science.

COURSES

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SOCIAL SCIENCES

AWARD

Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE

S32

UCAS

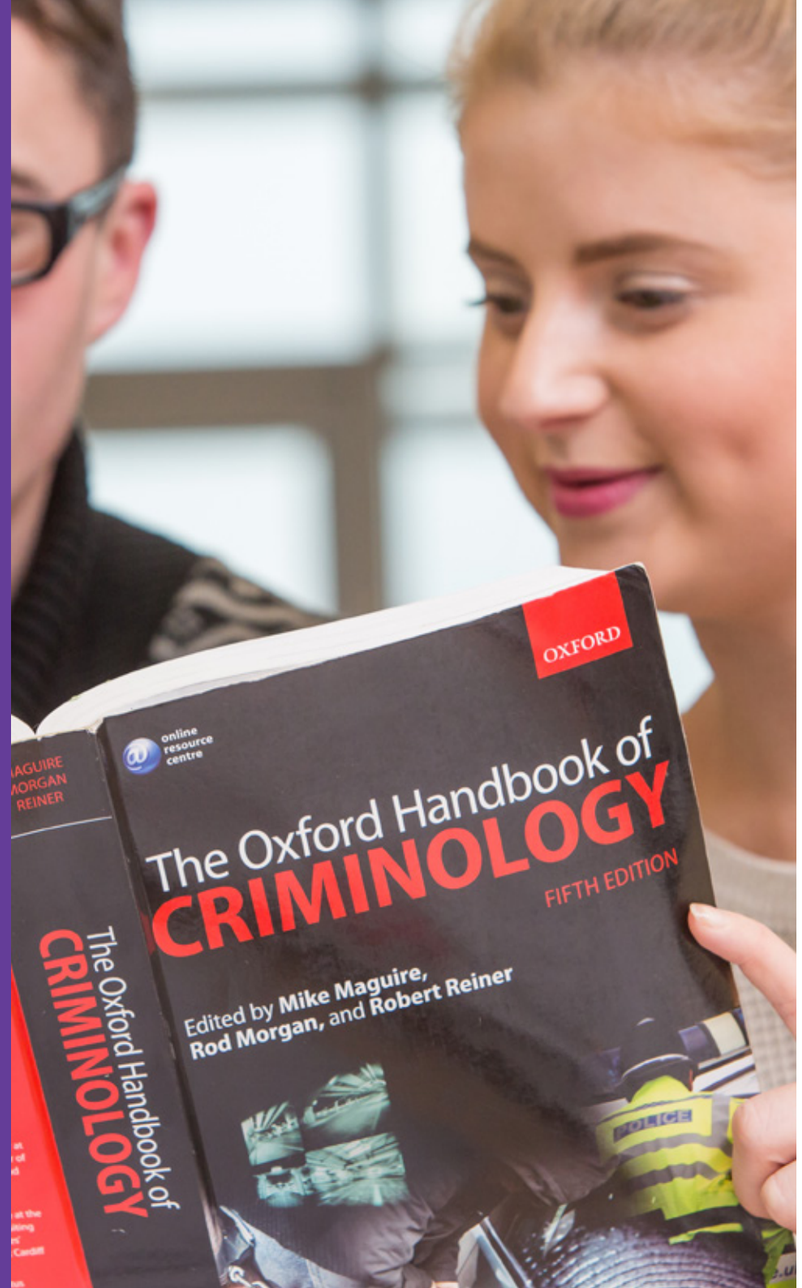
3S4B

MODES OF STUDY

Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"During my time at UCSD I definitely gained the research bug, which has contributed to my sucess to date. I went on to receive first-class honours in Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies at the University of Plymouth."

Annie Westcott - UCSD Alumni



FdSc CRIMINOLOGY AND PSYCHOLOGY

This foundation degree has been designed to develop your understanding of the nature of crime, society and human behaviour. You will study a range of disciplines, including criminology, psychology, criminal psychology, criminal law and the criminal justice system.

OVERVIEW

In criminology you will examine crime from a range of perspectives, considering the legal and practical processes involved in the prevention and management of crime and the theoretical and political concepts that underpin them. In psychology, you will gain an understanding of how offending behaviours may be influenced by a wide range of biological, environmental and social factors.
The role of psychology in the prevention of offending and the detection, incarceration and rehabilitation of offenders will also be examined.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. You will also need Level 2 qualifications in English and maths.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is delivered through lectures, collaborative discussions, group work and independent research. The teaching team consists of passionate practitioners with experience in a variety of fields and disciplines, including law, policing, youth work and prisoner education. You will also benefit from guest speakers, who will share their experiences and provide a valuable insight into working practice.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- The psychology of offending behaviour
- Victim and wellness psychology
- Criminological and penal theory
- Social, developmental, clinical and learning psychology
- Policing and community safety
- Methods of detection and offender profiling
- Youth justice, restorative justice and victims of crime
- Research and professional skills
- Individual differences and research methods

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Criminology and Psychology.

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies, BSc (Hons) Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies with Psychology, BSc (Hons) Police and Criminal Justice Studies degrees at the University of Plymouth.

You may also apply for progression to the BA (Hons) Education, Development and Society top-up at UCSD.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

POLICE
Work in partnership with communities to maintain law and order. Protect members of the public.

COURT ADMINISTRATOR
Court liaison. Budget management.

PROBATION OFFICER
Manage offenders. Provide pre-sentence reports. Protect the public.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
VQ13

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

FdA HISTORY WITH ENGLISH

The FdA History with English is a unique, bespoke, innovative course designed with a strong emphasis on the local area, local history and local industry, which will enable you to fit perfectly into the world of work. This course will also develop the skills you need to go on learning and improving your practice, whether you progress to an honours degree or to employment. This foundation degree offers a broad range of study in both history and English. You will cover a number of key historical periods with emphasis on the South West and wider national and international communities.

OVERVIEW

The FdA History with English delivers both summative and formative assessment, which is innovative in approach and will seek to embrace new technologies such as social media and e-learning, equipping you with skills that will benefit you in employment. You will also benefit from the University of Plymouth's broad range of additional learning resources and academic and professional integration and validation.

This course has been designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge required to work in your chosen specialism or other graduate opportunities. It is also a platform from which you can undertake additional vocational and academic qualifications.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

You will learn through a series of interactive lectures and seminars. There will also be opportunities to study and conduct research within the local community, accessing its wealth of museums, libraries and research centres, as well as various excursions to locations of historical and literary significance.

The course is delivered by our exceptional teaching team, who are enthusiastic and passionate about their subject, and have extensive backgrounds in industry and education.

Drawing on their comprehensive knowledge and experience, you will learn across various disciplines and become familiar with different approaches to research and critical analysis.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- What is history?
- Evolution and revolution in Reformation Europe c.1500–1700
- History and visual culture: the changing face of the South West c.1890–2000
- The American literary voice of crime

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BA (Hons) History with English or BA (Hons) History degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

JOURNALIST
Interview people on a range of topics. Build contacts at networking. Research stories.

ARCHIVIST
Evaluate historic records for preservation. Catalogue collections. Liaise with donors.

HERITAGE MANAGER
Conservation of heritage sites. Landscapes. Museums. Ancient monuments.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search History with English.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

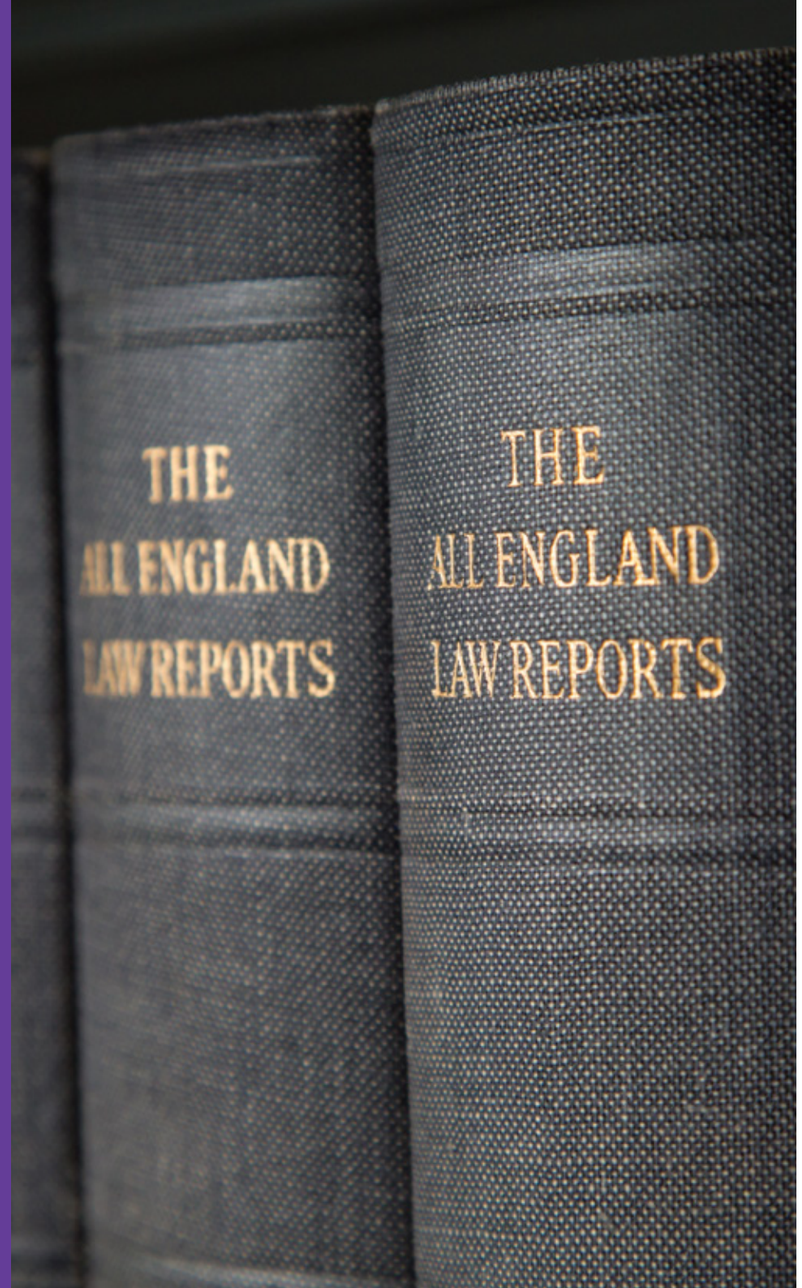
INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
M100

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"After completing my foundation degree at UCSD, I progressed to the University of Plymouth and gained a 2:1 in Law. I've also gained work experience across several law firms. My time at UCSD has been so beneficial."

Daniel Richard - FdSc Law



FdSc LAW

This foundation degree will provide you with a strong understanding of the law. You'll focus on either law within the business environment or in relation to criminology and criminal justice, depending on the pathway you choose.

OVERVIEW

The course will familiarise you with the English legal system. You could also study aspects of business and management organisations, or the theory behind criminal behaviour and the justice system.

This foundation degree has been designed with input from local employers, which ensures that it develops the skills required in industry today. Modules are intended to provide you with the skills you will need, and allow you to relate theory to practice so you're prepared for the challenges you may face in your future career.

The course includes two potential specialist pathways, which are:

- Business
- Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is delivered through lectures, tutorials, seminars and workshops. You will benefit from regular guest speakers and may have the opportunity to visit local courts and wider educational trips - nationally and overseas. You will also have the opportunity to participate in a mooting competition, which will simulate presenting a case in court and will provide valuable experience.

The course places a strong focus on building relevant professional and personal skills, which is why you will be encouraged to work closely with local employers in a true working environment.

You will be encouraged to gain legal-related experience, which we can support you in securing.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- The English legal system and method
- Criminal law
- Constitutional and administrative law
- Criminological and penal theory
- Contract law

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the final year of the BSc (Hons) Law with Business or the BSc (Hons) Law with Criminology and Criminal Justice Studies degrees at the University of Plymouth. If you wish to qualify as a solicitor or barrister you will need to complete the Graduate Diploma in Law, prior to taking the Legal Practice Course or the Bar Professional Training Course. For those who wish to qualify as a solicitor, some exemptions of Graduate Diploma in Law modules may be awarded.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

BARRISTER'S CLERK
Manage diary and practices of Barrister. Finances. Compliance checks. Source materials.

LEGAL EXECUTIVE
Corporate, civil or public law. Advise clients on legal matters. Negotiation. Interview witnesses.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Law.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

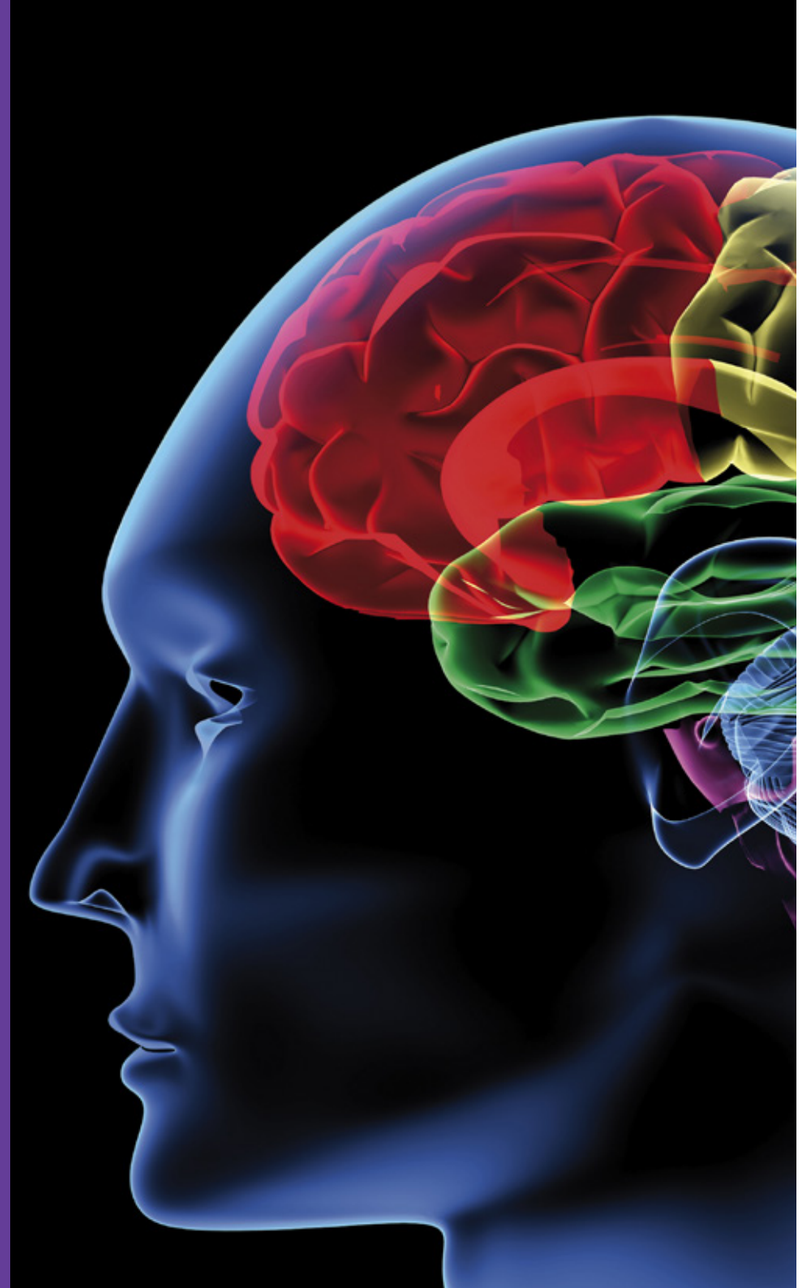
INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
CL83

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"The classes are much smaller than other universities, so you receive much more support which really impacts your learning experience. Because of the support, I didn't have any fears when learning."

Chloe Brock - FdSc Psychology with Sociology



FdSc PSYCHOLOGY WITH SOCIOLOGY

In psychology, you will gain an understanding of how human thoughts, feelings and behaviours are influenced by a wide range of biological, environmental and social factors. In sociology, significant local and global issues will be considered through a range of lenses and you will begin to think critically about social inequality and power.

OVERVIEW

Psychology topics you will study over two years include, understanding personality disorders, treating depression, anxiety, schizophrenia and OCD, early childhood development and the evolution of social behaviours in adulthood. You'll also cover gender identity, social influence and the development of prejudice, the physiological processes of stress, sleep, pain and hunger, theories of memory and memory disorders. You will develop an understanding of research methods and will undertake a work placement.

Sociology topics you will study over two years include, social and cultural transformations and their impact on everyday experiences, the problems of work, community, poverty, social exclusion and religious orientation using the 'sociological imagination'. The value of uniqueness and social identity in modern society and the meaning of social change in the context of social, economic and cultural dimensions will also be covered.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications. You will also need Level 2 qualifications in English and maths.

YOUR STUDIES

You will also conduct your own small-scale research project, which includes he development of a psychometric test and the chance to analyse written responses to questionnaires.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Clinical psychology
- Lifespan development
- Research methods
- Developing graduate skills
- Sociology of social transformation and cultural change
- Sociological imaginations
- Health and wellbeing
- Social and biological influences on behaviour
- Individual differences
- Social identities in modern societies
- Social change in a modern world

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress to the BSc (Hons) Psychological Studies top-up degree at the University of Plymouth.

You may also apply for progression to the BA (hons) Education, Development and Society top-up at UCSD.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PSYCHOLOGIST
Reduce distress and improve well-being of clients. Research. Treat individuals or groups.

YOUTH WORKER
Assess needs of young people to correct problematic areas. Monitor quality of local provisions.

LEARNING MENTOR
Offer advice and guidance to children and young people experiencing difficulties with learning.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Psychology with Sociology.

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SPORTS, COACHING AND OUTDOOR

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
X900

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"The facilities were excellent; as was the teaching and support. The adaptability of the instructors, especially during the practical aspects of the course, showed us first-hand the skills that we would require working in the industry."

Samantha Ramsey - FdSc Adventure Leadership

FdSc ADVENTURE LEADERSHIP

This foundation degree focuses on outdoor adventure sports, and provides you with the valuable practical experience you'll need to pursue a variety of careers in this thrilling sector. The course also offers you the opportunity to gain qualifications from national governing bodies, alongside your studies, further evidencing your skills and increasing your employability.

OVERVIEW

You will enjoy the South West's fantastic natural environment, gaining experience in activities such as mountaineering, climbing, kayaking, mountain biking and coasteering. You will also have access to our comprehensive range of equipment, including kayaks and canoes.

Practical sessions and trips scheduled throughout the year are designed to develop skills and confidence in adapting your coaching techniques. These will reflect the varying situations you will face and need to overcome to be a successful and effective coach. You will be learning in challenging environments, ensuring that when you graduate you will be well prepared to work in almost any setting.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

You will be learning from a highly qualified and experienced teaching team, whose theoretical and practical knowledge will be invaluable to your development as an effective adventure sports practitioner. Their passion and enthusiasm is exceptional, with dedicated support and tutorial time available so that you can make the most of your studies.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Applied adventure sports
- Principles of adventure
- Physiology for the extremes
- Expedition leadership
- Psychology for the outdoors

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress to the BSc (Hons) Coaching (Outdoor Leadership) top-up degree at UCSD.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject to availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

SPORTS COACH
Help those participating in sports to reach their full potential. Performance evaluation.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES MANAGER
Manage and recruit staff to support outdoor sport activities. Instruct and teach.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES INSTRUCTOR
Lead and manage groups of keen outdoor sport participants. Offer advice. Health and safety.

EXPEDITION LEADER
Take charge of safety and run of expedition trips. Manage and recruit.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Adventure Leadership.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
SPOC

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

FdSc SPORTS COACHING AND FITNESS

This foundation degree will equip you with the specialist skills and knowledge necessary to excel within the dynamic health and fitness sector. It will also give you the ability to adapt to the growing public demand within the industry.

OVERVIEW

The course considers a broad range of relevant disciplines, preparing you for future employment in the sector. You will build a strong understanding of the physiological theory of sport science, as well as health psychology, nutrition and various other topics.

You will also develop your analytical and research techniques, which will support your practical skills and experience.

There is a focus on providing vocational skills in realistic working environments and you will have access to a range of specialist facilities that support both your academic and practical development. These include a modern fitness suite, a physiology lab and a sports massage and rehabilitation suite.

You will be learning the correct processes and procedures involved in running a number of health and fitness assessments, including methods such as Wingate, Astrand, Cooper and Bruce testing. We also have a large variety of equipment for both diagnosis and treatment, which includes ultrasound scanners, G5 massage tools and a number of massage couches.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is delivered by our passionate teaching team and you will learn through lectures, seminars and practical sessions. There may also be the opportunity to attend trips and learn from guest speakers.

You will also have the opportunity to gain industry-recognised qualifications, such as YMCA Gym Instructor and Sports Massage qualifications, the GP Referral Consultants Certificate (small fee required) and additional discounted qualifications.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Human anatomy and physiology
- Fundamentals of training and fitness
- Exercise and lifestyle
- Biomechanics of sport performance
- Sports coaching and leadership

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BSc (Hons) Coaching (Sports Performance and Development) or BSc (Hons) Coaching (Outdoor Leadership) top-up degrees at UCSD, or the BSc (Hons) Health and Fitness top-up degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

PERSONAL TRAINER
Help others achieve their personal exercise goals. One-on-one fitness programmes. Freelance or health organisations.

LEISURE CENTRE MANAGER
Manage and recruit staff to support health and leisure centre activities. Budget management.

HEALTH PROMOTION SPECIALIST
Help others improve their health and take control. Face-to-face advice.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Sports Coaching and Fitness.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
48-60 UCAS points

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
J610

MODES OF STUDY
Two years full-time, three years part-time and modular study available

"The Yacht Operations course teaches you a variety of essential marine skills."

Sam Walker - FdSc Yacht Operations

FdSc YACHT OPERATIONS

This is a unique, industry-driven foundation degree, designed to prepare you for employment within the marine sector. The course combines recognised practical qualifications with academic study, and equips you with a range of skills, technical knowledge and relevant experience to excel in your chosen field.

OVERVIEW

This course is delivered at South Devon Marine Academy, our marine centre of excellence based in Kingswear on the River Dart. These facilities provide a fantastic learning environment and make the most of the local environment, where you will have the opportunity to apply the skills and theory they learn on the water.

You will have access to over 20 boats. This includes powerboats, sailing dinghies and two 38-foot yachts- Aspiration (Sigma 38) and Endeavour (Beneteau 381).

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each applicant is interviewed and assessed on their own merit.

To enrol on this course, you will require 48–60 UCAS points, from at least one of the following: A Levels, BTEC Nationals, Access to Higher Education Diploma, NVQ Level 3 or equivalent qualifications.

YOUR STUDIES

There is a strong practical focus on this course, with the majority of study delivered at South Devon Marine Academy. This will help you develop vocational experience in a real setting, enabling you to transfer into employment when you graduate.

During your studies you will also have the opportunity to gain Royal Yachting Association (RYA) or Marine and Coastguard Agency (MCA) qualifications at a subsidised cost (RYA administration and exam fees are not included).

These qualifications include: Yachtmaster (offshore); Yachtmaster (coastal); Day Skipper; RYA Powerboat Level 2 Certificate; Diesel Engine Maintenance Certificate; Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Theory; Sea Survival; Professional Practice and Responsibilities; VHF/DSC Radio Operators Licence; and dinghy sailing qualifications.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Navigation
- Sailing and powerboating
- Yachting
- Performance and racing
- Coaching and leadership

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this foundation degree you may be able to progress onto the BSc (Hons) Coaching (Outdoor Leadership) top-up degree at UCSD, the final year of the BSc (Hons) Navigation degree at the University of Plymouth.

Please note there is a deadline for progression applications and places may be subject availability.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

SKIPPER
Maintenance and appearance of vessels. Oversee safety of all crew and clients during charters.

MARITIME AND COASTGUARD AGENCY OFFICER
Prevent loss of life at sea. Produce legislation. Offer guidance to others.

SAILING INSTRUCTOR
Prepare and present sailing lessons. Teach safety and hold drills. Assess students' abilities.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Yacht Operations.

AWARD
Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma

INSTITUTION CODE
S32

UCAS
3D0W

MODES OF STUDY
One year full-time, two years part-time and modular study available

"The course was challenging at times, yet I knew I could always rely on the support from the experienced and helpful tutors."

Lucy Rees - BSc (Hons) Coaching (Outdoor Leadership)

BSc (Hons) COACHING (OUTDOOR LEADERSHIP) (TOP-UP)

This programme has been designed for those who have a background and experience in coaching and leadership, and aspire to develop an advanced skill set and work in the sports or outdoor (land- and water-based) industries. This pathway has a particular emphasis on sport, outdoor adventure and yachting.

OVERVIEW

Your core modules will develop both theoretical and applied skills in outdoor coaching, where you will analyse the coaching process and utilise advanced techniques on a range of athletes, with varying degrees of proficiency and expectation.

The outdoor leadership pathway focuses on topics such as the dynamics of risk and its beneficial uses in performance coaching, critical analysis of leadership performance and identity, and reflective practice to encourage evaluation and development of coaching.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To enrol on this programme, you will require 240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma in a relevant subject.

YOUR STUDIES

This programme is delivered through a variety of teaching and learning methods, including lectures, seminars and independent research. You will be assessed by completing essays, presentations and some examinations. There is also the opportunity to study for a number of qualifications from national governing bodies alongside this programme.

Our teaching team have an exceptional background, both in education and industry. You will be assigned a personal tutor and have access to a number of other specialist staff, whose experience and guidance will support you in developing personally and professionally to become a highly skilled practitioner.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Applied performance coaching and research project
- Experiential leadership
- The dynamic of risk
- Reflection of practice and development

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you will have a wide range of career opportunities. You could work in the outdoor, sailing, or yachting industries, particularly in coaching and leadership roles.

These roles include:

SPORTS COACH
Help those participating in sports to reach their full potential. Performance evaluation.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES MANAGER
Manage and recruit staff to support outdoor sport activities. Instruct and teach.

OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES INSTRUCTOR
Lead and manage groups of keen outdoor sport participants. Offer advice. Health and safety.

EXPEDITION LEADER
Take charge of safety and run expedition trips. Manage and recruit new team members.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Coaching.

AWARD

Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma

INSTITUTION CODE

S32

UCAS

3D0W

MODES OF STUDY

One year full-time, two years part-time and modular study available

"The tutors and lecturers offered me a huge amount of support throughout my time at UCSD. Help was easy to access if I ever needed it."

Matt Woodmore - BSc (Hons) Coaching (Sports Performance and Development)

BSc (Hons) COACHING (SPORTS PERFORMANCE AND DEVELOPMENT) (TOP-UP)

This programme has been designed for those who have a background and experience in coaching and leadership, and aspire to develop an advanced skill set and work in the sports or outdoor (land- and water-based) industries. This pathway has a particular focus on sports development and psychology.

OVERVIEW

Your core modules will develop both theoretical and applied skills in sports coaching, where you will analyse the coaching process and utilise advanced techniques on a range of athletes, with varying degrees of proficiency and expectation.

The sports performance and development pathway considers various issues within the context of sport, such as psychology, cultural influences, gender inequality and development policies.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To enrol on this programme, you will require 240 credits from a foundation degree or higher national diploma in a relevant subject.

YOUR STUDIES

This programme is delivered through a variety of teaching and learning methods, including lectures, seminars and independent research. You will be assessed by completing essays, presentations and some examinations. There is also the opportunity to study for a number of qualifications from national governing bodies alongside this programme.

Our teaching team have an exceptional background, both in education and in industry. You will be assigned a personal tutor and have access to a number of other specialist staff, whose experience and guidance will support you in developing personally and professionally to become a highly skilled practitioner.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Contemporary issues in sport
- Applied psychology for sports performance
- Sports development

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you will have a wide range of career opportunities. You could work in the outdoor, sailing, or yachting industries, particularly in coaching and leadership roles.

These roles inlcude:

SPORTS DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
Help local communities become more active. Distribute information. Organise training.

SPORTS COACH
Help those participating in sports to reach their full potential. Performance evaluation.

LEISURE CENTRE MANAGER
Manage and recruit staff to support health and leisure centre activities. Budget management.

PERSONAL TRAINER
Help others achieve their personal exercise goals. One-on-one fitness programmes. Freelance or health organisations.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Coaching.

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HIGHER APPRENTICESHIPS

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING (ELECTRICAL)

Incorporating the HNC Electronics and Robotic Control Engineering

OVERVIEW

This higher apprenticeship has been designed to provide access to development opportunities for as wide a range of individuals as possible.
The course would be beneficial if you are at the start of your career and wish to become a professional engineer and achieve incorporated engineer status, or if you have already developed practical experience but wish to develop your theoretical understanding.

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING ENGINEERING (MECHANICAL)

Incorporating the HNC Electronics and Mechatronic Engineering

OVERVIEW

This engineering qualification will enable you to join the growing world of technology. It will enhance your career prospects and earning power, and has been developed in response to the requirements of employers worldwide to provide the skills that professional engineers need.

CONSTRUCTION SITE ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN

Incorporating the HNC Civil and Coastal Engineering

OVERVIEW

This higher apprenticeship is for technicians within the construction and civil engineering sectors. Typically this includes roles such as assistant site engineer, assistant engineer, civil engineering technician or construction site technician. It may also include site engineer, civil engineer or project engineer roles. These positions are associated with the dimensional control and application of engineering solutions on construction projects and are based on construction sites with occasional time in offices.

CONSTRUCTION SITE SUPERVISOR

Incorporating the HNC Sustainable Construction and The Built Environment

OVERVIEW

This higher apprenticeship is for professional managers within the construction industry who take a lead role in managing people and projects. Typically this includes roles such as construction site manager, construction site supervisor, assistant site manager or assistant site supervisor. These are associated with the supervision of specialist contractors and workers on construction projects and are based on construction sites with occasional time in offices.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LEVEL 4

Incorporating the HNC Sustainable Construction and The Built Environment and the Level 4 NVQ Diploma in Construction and Building Services Management and Supervision (Sustainability)

OVERVIEW

This higher apprenticeship, which incorporates a Higher National Certificate (HNC) and a NVQ level 4 Diploma in Construction and Building Services Management and Supervision (Sustainability) has been designed to provide you with the essential skills for working in the multi-disciplined construction sector. There is a strong focus on both sustainability and renewable energies because understanding them is more important than ever before.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LEVEL 4

Incorporating the FdSc Sustainable Construction and The Built Environment

OVERVIEW

This higher apprenticeship which incorporates the FdSc Sustainable Construction and The Built Environment has been designed to provide you with the essential skills for working in the multi-disciplined construction sector. There is a strong focus on both sustainability and renewable energies because understanding them is more important than ever before.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LEVEL 5

Incorporating the FdSc Civil and Coastal Engineering

OVERVIEW

This higher apprenticeship has been designed to provide access to development opportunities for as wide a range of individuals as possible. The course would be beneficial if you are at the start of your career and wish to become a professional engineer and achieve incorporated engineer status, or if you have already developed practical experience but wish to develop your theoretical understanding.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LEVEL 6

Incorporating the BSc (Hons) Civil Engineering

OVERVIEW

This higher apprenticeship, which incorporates a BSc (Hons) Civil Engineering degree, is designed to provide you with the knowledge, skills and ability to innovate and develop management and leadership skills, based strongly around decision-making, management development and strategic leadership within civil engineering. It will also provide you with necessary structural design skills.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Higher Apprenticeships.

AWARD

The degree is awarded by the University of Plymouth, and the chartered manager status is awarded by the CMI

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Foundation degree or Level 5 management qualification

MODES OF STUDY

Two years part-time

DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP

CHARTERED MANAGER

INCORPORATING THE BA (HONS) LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

The Chartered Manager Degree Apprenticeship is for professional managers who lead people, projects, operations and services to deliver long-term organisational success. It is applicable to professional managers from all sectors – private, public or third sector – and of all sizes of organisation.

OVERVIEW

This apprenticeship has been designed to provide access to development opportunities for as wide a range of individuals as possible. The course would be beneficial if you are at the start of your career and wish to become a professional manager and achieve chartered manager status, or if you have already developed practical experience but wish to develop your theoretical management skills.

This is a 'trailblazer' apprenticeship, which means it has been developed by a group of employers in partnership with a number of higher education institutions and the Chartered Management Institute (CMI).

Under this scheme, workers who complete the apprenticeship will earn a BA (Hons) in Leadership and Management, and become a chartered manager.

As a student, you will need to demonstrate and evidence where you have taken responsibility to deliver long-term organisational success.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need to be in employment, ideally with senior management responsibility. You will need to hold a recognised management or leadership qualification at Level 5; however, we consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and each application is assessed on its own merit.

MODULES YOU WILL STUDY INCLUDE:

- Leadership and management concepts
- Operational decision-making
- Corporate strategy in action
- Marketing planning and stakeholder management

CMI Chartered Management Institute

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you will be well prepared to work in management roles across a range of sectors and careers. The focus of the course means that you could potentially work in any industry that interests you, particularly in roles that require leadership skills.

These roles include:

INDUSTRY MANAGER
Oversee production of large-scale manufacturing plants or factories. Health and safety of staff.

PROJECT MANAGER
Campaigns. New product launches. Employer functions. Networking events.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Chartered Manager.

AWARD

Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Foundation degree or Level 5 management qualification

MODES OF STUDY

One year full-time

DEGREE APRENTICESHIP

CIVIL ENGINEERING SITE MANAGEMENT INCORPORATING THE BSc (HONS) CIVIL ENGINEERING

This programme is for managers within the construction and civil engineering sectors. Typically this includes roles such as site manager, sub agent, assistant site manager or section engineer. These positions are associated with the management of civil engineering and infrastructure projects and are based on sites or in offices.

OVERVIEW

This degree apprenticeship has been designed to provide access to development opportunities for as wide a range of individuals as possible.
The programme is beneficial if you are at the start of your career and wish to become a professional manager and achieve chartered status, or if you have already developed practical experience but wish to develop your theoretical management skills.

The programme will provide you with the knowledge, skills and ability to innovate and provide essential and sustainable infrastructure, including sea defences, flood protection, water treatment systems, roads, bridges and tunnels

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need to hold a recognised engineering qualification at Level 5. We consider a variety of qualifications and relevant experience, and assess every application on its own merit. This means that even if you do not meet the specified requirements, you may still be able to study with us.

You should be able to demonstrate an appropriate level of numeracy and literacy, and your overall ability to complete the course is a deciding factor. To find out more about entry requirements, contact us today.

YOUR STUDIES

This programme will develop you into a confident and independent technical manager, capable of directing your own study. You will learn through a range of teaching methods, with a focus on enquiry and problem-based learning, which will lead you to identify and resolve your own learning needs and development.

The programme involves one day per week study at the University of Plymouth (60 credits) and one day per week at UCSD (60 credits).

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Structural design
- Individual project
- Leadership and enterprise in the civil engineering sector
- Work-based project management

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

This programme prepares you for management roles in various industry disciplines, opening up numerous opportunities.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

STRUCTURAL ENGINEER
Design and oversee constructions of new building or bridges. Property extensions.

QUANTITY SURVEYOR
Manage building project costs for architects. Commercial businesses. Local authorities. Government.

CIVIL ENGINEER
Construction on buildings in private. Transport and communications sector.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Civil Engineering.

AWARD

Awarded by the University of Plymouth

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

120 UCAS points

MODES OF STUDY

Four years study (first three years at UCSD and the final year at the University of Plymouth)

DEGREE APRENTICESHIP

DIGITAL AND TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS

This practical, hands-on programme gives you a solid core of digital and IT expertise that is in demand in today's industry. Apprentices obtain a full honours degree alongside gaining valuable work experience and earning a salary – plus students do not have to pay any course fees.

OVERVIEW

Typically studying over four years, as a digital and technology solutions apprentice you have the choice of four specialist routes that equip you with the precise skills needed to excel in some of the most in-demand careers in the UK.

For the first three years, your study is based at UCSD and your final year is delivered at the University of Plymouth. The number of taught hours is lower in this year as you will work on your final-year project.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSEs: All applicants must have GCSE Mathematics and English at grade 4 or above (or equivalent)
- UCAS tariff: 120 points from a minimum of two A Levels (excluding general studies, critical thinking or citizenship), or one vocational A Level
- BTEC National Diploma/QCF Extended Diploma: 18 units. Acceptable subjects include IT, engineering, software development, IT practitioners, computing, and science. For art, sports, business or humanities related subjects, please enquire for information
- International Baccalaureate: 30 points.
- Other combinations and non-A Level qualifications are also considered

Before an offer is made, you will be asked to attend an interview.

YOUR STUDIES

This course is designed equally around three core aspects: core computing skills,specialist knowledge and work-based learning.
You can choose to specialise in a number of career-specific areas: cyber security analyst, IT consultant, network engineer, or software engineer. You will gain experience of, and have access to, industry-leading tools and applications.

MODULES YOU COULD STUDY INCLUDE:

- Databases: analysis, design and development
- Secure systems architectures and mechanisms
- Project management

FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS

Upon successful completion of this degree you may choose to progress to study a master's degree.

After graduating you could pursue a career in the following roles:

CYBER SECURITY ANALYST
Prevent attacks. Regulate access. Networks. Hardware.

NETWORK ENGINEER
Wireless network services. Development of networks. Maintenance. Client support.

IT CONSULTANT
Share knowledge and expertise. Assist businesses to reach goals.

Find out more on ucsd.ac.uk then search Digital and Technology Solutions.

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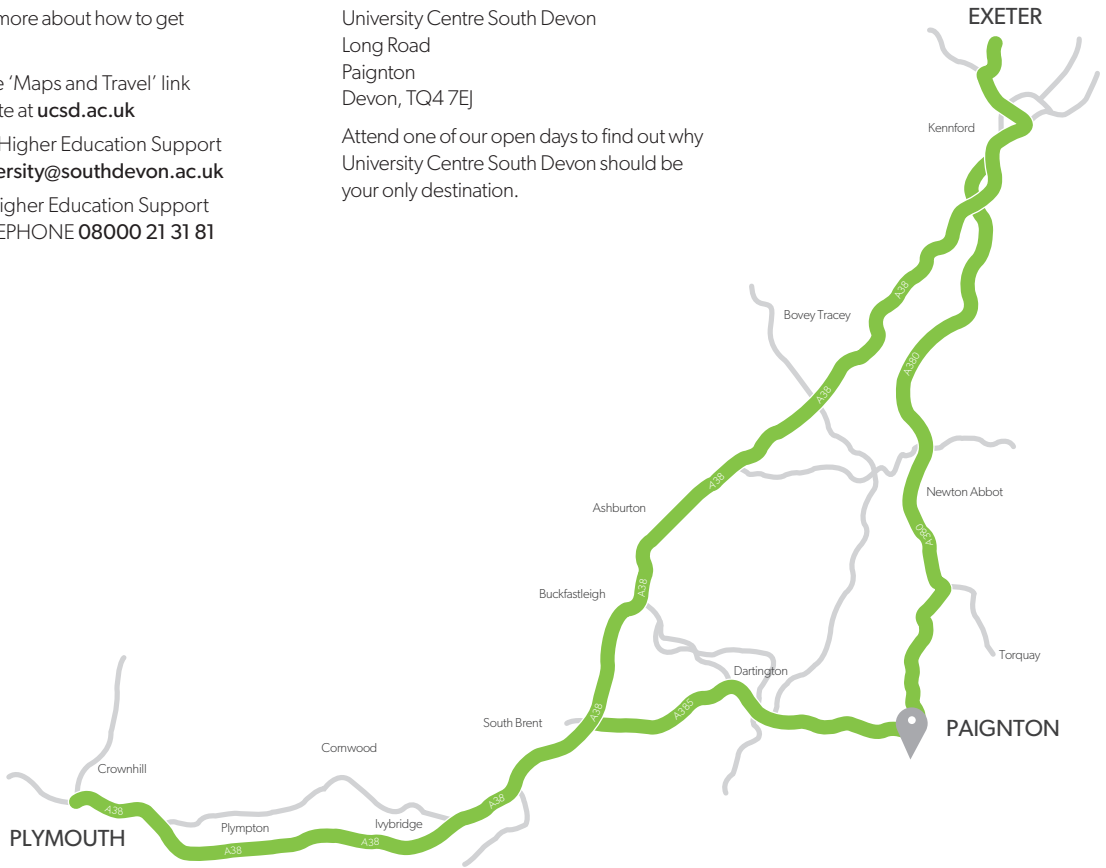

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