



# LATE START COURSES 2019/2020





**At York College we understand that everyone is different...**

**We know that not everyone wants to start college in September and not everyone can. We also know that some individuals need to take their studies at different speeds and may want to get different things out of their time at college, not just qualifications.**

York College has created a number of Late Start programmes for young people running between October 2019 and January 2020. They're aimed at anyone who wants to get a qualification but has not yet found a course or a college that works for them.

It is most important that you're happy at York College and that you enjoy your studies. We want to make sure you learn, make friends, have fun and get to do things you enjoy both in and out of the classroom.

You can talk to us about any aspect of coming to York College and ask any questions, whether they're about courses, costs, transport, or if you're nervous about starting something new, we'll listen to you and make sure you know we're here to support you.





**Courses starting in October 2019**

### **Off-site Provision: Employment, Training and Personal Development NOCN Level 2 and Level 3**

Entry Requirements – To be discussed at interview.

Based at Parish House in Acomb, York. The course builds self-confidence, personal and social employability skills for a wide range of students, including those who have struggled to engage in a school or college environment. The course is for those who need a different way of learning or want to change direction.



## Courses starting in October and December 2019

### Extended Project Qualification Level 3

Entry Requirements – English Language (grade 4 or above).

This course involves working towards an Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) and a Level 3 Employment, Training and Personal Development Qualification. The vast majority of students complete a 6,000 word project on a topic of their choice. If you prefer not to complete a written project, you have the option of producing an artefact or planning and delivering a performance. The course will assist you in developing your academic skills and supporting progression to university, alongside building a range of interpersonal skills.

You will study maths alongside this programme if you are required to do so.



## Courses starting in November and December 2019

### Information Technology Qualification (ITQ) Level 2

Entry Requirements – to be discussed at interview.

The ITQ is ideal for those with some experience in computing who want to develop the underpinning knowledge and skills that could aid progress to further education or employment, or those seeking more in-depth knowledge and skills in particular topics.

You will study English and maths alongside this programme if you are required to do so.



**Courses starting in January 2020**

### **General Construction Level 1**

Entry Requirements – To be discussed at interview.

This course will help you understand what it is like to work in the building industry. Students will develop practical skills and knowledge of joinery, bricklaying, painting and building maintenance. Your main aim is to get as many skills as possible so employers will consider you when they are recruiting.

You will study English and maths alongside this programme if you are required to do so.

The Construction Skills Centre, located on the College's Sim Balk Lane campus, accommodates students studying brickwork, joinery and plastering courses. The Centre's impressive facilities will meet the needs of students and those of the construction industry at a time when there is a skill shortage in this area.



Courses starting in January 2020

## Creative Arts Level 2

Entry Requirements – To be discussed at interview.

Students will work with graphics, posters, furniture, fashion, costume, place settings, events, illustrations, models and performance-related work. If you are creative, love drawing and want to communicate through the visual arts, this course could get you back on track.

You will study English and maths alongside this programme if you are required to do so.



Courses starting in January 2020

## Hair and Beauty Level 1

Entry Requirements – To be discussed at interview.

This course provides a practical insight into the Hair and Beauty industry. Students may explore elements such as skin care, manicure, shampooing and styling hair.

You will study English and maths alongside this programme if you are required to do so.



Courses starting in January 2020

## Sport, Fitness and Health Level 2

Entry Requirements – To be discussed at interview.

This course has a strong practical element focusing on coaching techniques and practical sport, with the underlying theme of health and nutrition.

You will study English and maths alongside this programme if you are required to do so.



**Courses starting in January 2020**

### **Business NCFE Level 3**

Entry Requirements – Grade 4 in both English Language and maths.

Students will develop an understanding of the essential skills required to work in a business environment, solve problems, and communicate and work with others, whilst managing and improving their performance.



**Martin Halliday, Curriculum Performance Manager 14 - 19 Vocational at York College, said:**  
*"I am delighted at just how well the Late Start courses have been received. Every year we have seen a growth in student numbers, I can only imagine this year the courses will be even more effective.*

*These study programmes develop an individual student's confidence, they provide the necessary options for students at a time when they are feeling vulnerable, with nowhere to go. It is incredibly important that we continue to reassure students that it is ok to change their course of study, if appropriate. Late Start courses give students the chance to achieve an education and gain the right qualifications to set them up for the future."*

**To book an interview or discuss any of the information above further please don't hesitate to get in touch with:**

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## Case Studies



### Josh Ward

Previously of York High School  
**Studied Skills for Employment, Training and Personal Development**

*"For personal reasons, I would have missed lots of lessons if I was doing a normal course at College, and so studying off-site was suggested because it's a more flexible way of learning. I really enjoy learning about the different employability skills and improving myself.*

*Studying off-site has been really good as it has helped to keep me focused, and I've learned lots of skills that will be really useful in employment and helped improve my confidence. I would definitely recommend this option for people who struggle in a College environment, as I've been given lots of extra support."*

### Lucy Bunce

Previously of The Danesgate Community  
**Studied Skills for Employment, Training and Personal Development**

*"I chose this course as I knew it would teach me lots of life skills that would be really useful. I have learned how to cook, help elderly people and developed as a person. I've also made new friends and had support to find a job.*

*I chose York College because it offered a job that was suited to my needs, and doing this course has allowed me to learn lots of new skills. Everyone in the group is lovely and I'm always happy to be here. In the future I'd like to work with people who have mental health issues."*





## Shanade Burns

Previously of Manor CE Academy

### Studied Skills for Employment, Training and Personal Development

*"Being a single mum, I didn't have many opportunities to get out, so I took part in different groups. I then met a member of the General Education team who recommended this course to me. I decided to try it and I stayed as I've really enjoyed my experience."*

*I chose York College as they offered this off-site course which was best suited to my needs, due to me having anxiety. My tutors are amazing and our group is small so it's great for people who are anxious."*

*Taking part in this course has given me the courage to study on the main College site, where I would like to study Psychology."*

## Milan Manandhar

Previously of Archbishop Holgate's School

### Studied the EPQ and the Football Development Centre

*"Before I began studying the EPQ, I had spent a year on a Sport course and a year doing A Levels, but both of these options didn't work out for me. After transitioning to the EPQ, I have been completing my work to the best of my ability and am hoping to achieve a high grade. I really enjoy the course as it enables me to study something I'm passionate about whilst improving my essay writing ability, which will be important in the future."*

*Overall I have really enjoyed my experience at York College. Since I have been here my tutors have supported me and given me help when I needed it. I have made many new friends and both my football and academic ability has improved significantly."*

*Milan is going on to study Sports Management at Medaille College Buffalo Campus, New York."*





**There is a lot of support for you at York College if you need it. The Student Services team offer lots of different types of help to all our students.**

If you need to talk to us about anything, we're here to listen. We won't mind if you tell us you're unhappy about any aspect of College life – we'd much rather know so we can put things right for you.

- We have intensive personal advisers who can help you if you're homeless, or think you're in danger of becoming homeless.
- If you're worried about money the team can help. From tuition fees to travel costs, they are there to help you before and during your course, and to explain how to get help with the cost of any courses you might do in the future.
- If you have to travel a long distance to College, why not come and talk to us? We can offer help and advice about tickets and how to get passes to lower the costs.

We can also help you if you need information and help with:

- Careers
- Accommodation
- Counselling
- Personal support
- Substance misuse
- Sexual health

The thing to remember is you don't have to deal with these issues alone. You are not being a nuisance, or wasting our time - hundreds of students come to us every year and we're happy to help all of them as much as we can.



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If you want to get on to one of these courses there are a few ways you can do it. You can call the College on 01904 770455 and we'll arrange an interview for you. Or you can email us at [lateststarts@yorkcollege.ac.uk](mailto:lateststarts@yorkcollege.ac.uk), leaving your details and we'll give you a call.

It's important that you feel happy with the choices you make so you'll be under no pressure, we'll just have a chat to see what's best for you.

