2PLUS PROGRAMME

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Minimum Entry Requirements:

You will need to have achieved at least grade E or above in your GCSEs, with not more than four at C grade or above.

“I saw the potential of a ‘bridge’ between secondary school and discovering what was next for me. I was helped to develop my individual study skills and take responsibility for my own learning.”

Lucy Abbott

“SSFC encourages everyone to follow their dreams, highlights the importance of education even if students do not want to go to university and makes everyone feel welcome from the first day.”

Megan Furlong

Business (Retail) BTEC First Award

The BTEC Level 2 Award in Business (Retail) is a practical work-related course, which provides an understanding of the business and retail environments.

Students learn by completing projects and assignments that are based on realistic workplace situations and activities. It introduces students to particular areas of employment and provides a good basis to go on to a more advanced work-related qualification.

It is assessed primarily by coursework with an external exam component.

Creative Media Digital Production BTEC First Award

By doing this Creative Media First Award, you will gain knowledge about the media industries; understand audiences and how media products are constructed to create meaning.

You will develop practical skills in pre-production (planning and pitching) as well as in production of a number of different media products.

This course is effective because it helps you to develop skills that are essential for the modern-day workplace.

These skills include: team working; working from a prescribed brief; working to deadlines; presenting information effectively; and accurately completing administrative tasks and processes, opening doors to progression into the further study and responsibility within the workplace.

It is assessed primarily by coursework with an external exam component.
English Language GCSE

GCSE English Language is a diverse subject that allows you to encounter a wide range of texts including non-fiction prose, autobiography, magazine articles, advertisements, leaflets and web pages as well as poems and literary fiction. Students are required to respond to the material in a variety of ways, creatively, analytically and verbally.

Students who have not gained at least a grade C in GCSE English or English Language are required to take this course alongside their other studies. Assessment is by external examination and controlled assessment.

Health & Social Care BTEC First Award

In BTEC Health and Social Care we explore and learn about issues relevant to the care industry. We study the four units and in the context of real life, using case studies and topical matters to help you develop and apply your knowledge and understanding. You will have the opportunity to develop your communication skills and awareness of health and social care issues. This all provides an excellent starting point for further education and training in careers such as nursing, social work, care assistants, working with children and teaching.

Maths GCSE

Improving your maths skills can make a real difference for future job opportunities or higher education courses. Most students will follow a resit programme aiming at GCSE C grade but for some students a Foundation course in money management may be more appropriate. Students who have not gained at least a C grade in GCSE Mathematics are required to take this course alongside their other studies.

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“I didn’t plan to do the 2Plus programme when I applied to SSFC but my GCSE results weren’t what I needed. I enrolled and I’ve been able to resit Maths and get used to being at College. I’m staying on to do A levels so that I can work towards my aim of being a midwife.”

Anna Laycock
In partnership with County Training, SSFC is pleased to be able to offer students the opportunity to both gain qualifications and obtain work experience.

As well as attending college, students would be working for 1½ days. Assessment is in the workplace and successful completion of all elements could lead to Level 3 BTEC programmes or full apprenticeships.

If students have not already achieved GCSE English Language and Maths at grade C or above then these must be taken as the two courses alongside the work placement.

City & Guilds NVQ Award in Business & Administration - Workplace Business

Business and Administration qualifications are adaptable to almost any organisation and also provides the opportunity to learn a range of other skills, including those related to IT and customer service.

Alongside the work placement, students would be expected to take Business (Retail) BTEC First Award if English Language and Maths grade C or above have already been achieved.

City & Guilds NVQ Award in Supporting Teaching & Learning in Schools - Workplace Child Education & Care

Working in education is rewarding, challenging and exciting. Teachers aren’t the only ones who make a difference to learning, with teaching assistants also playing a vital role. Teaching assistants work closely with teachers, carrying out duties such as lesson preparation, working with small groups or individuals, helping with school outings or reading to the class. Achieving a qualification demonstrates how well you work and your skills relating to pupil welfare, care, behaviour and learning.

Alongside the work placement, students would be expected to take Health & Social Care BTEC First Award if English Language and Maths grade C or above have already been achieved.