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TRURO & PENWITH COLLEGE COURSE GUIDE 2026



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WHERE YOUR JOURNEY BEGINS

TRURO COLLEGE

The campus offers excellent, modern facilities designed around the needs of our students. It is a vibrant and energetic place with a large student population who benefit from continued investment in buildings and resources and outstanding support services. Our nearby Tregye site offers additional provision for Progression Pathways learners and the Foundation Diploma in Art and Design.

PENWITH COLLEGE

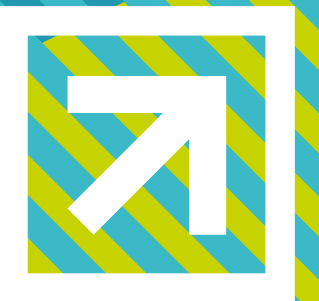
Our Penwith campus in Penzance was created following a major £30 million redevelopment, incorporating historic buildings with state-of-the-art facilities. Situated in an elevated position in the heart of Penzance, the stunning campus overlooks Mounts Bay and is easily accessible from across West Cornwall.

STEM & HEALTH SKILLS CENTRE

Situated in Bodmin, the STEM and Health Skills Centre is accessible to students in North and East Cornwall and offers a range of specialist courses. Brand-new facilities include engineering and electronics workshops, health simulation suites and modern digital technology.

Immerse yourself in a fantastic learning environment with industry-standard equipment and facilities across all our curriculum areas. The exceptional resources complement the high-quality teaching and wealth of opportunity you'll have when you choose to study at Truro and Penwith College.

DISCOVER
HOW FAR
YOU
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WELCOME



A very warm welcome to Truro and Penwith College, as featured in our 2026 School Leaver Course Guide. As you turn these pages, you'll discover not just a wide range of engaging courses and qualifications, but also a vibrant college life where our students thrive.

Our College Vision - Look Further, Reach Further, Go Further - comes alive every day through the achievements of our students. I'm immensely proud of what our community has accomplished in 2024/25: exceptional student outcomes, bold new opportunities, and a steadfast commitment to excellence.

On the academic front, our students continue to shine. This year, we've again been named the highest-performing college in Cornwall, and one of the best in the UK for A Levels. Our Renewables Skills Centre, officially opened in June 2025, underscores our leadership in technical and sustainable skills training.

Alongside this, a record £3.9 million investment has launched Skills Bootcamps designed to boost Cornwall's workforce and offer exciting career pathways.

But it's not just about statistics - it's about experience. Students tell us how much they value the nurturing environment: the support from teaching staff, the enriching extracurricular activities, and a college that truly sees them.

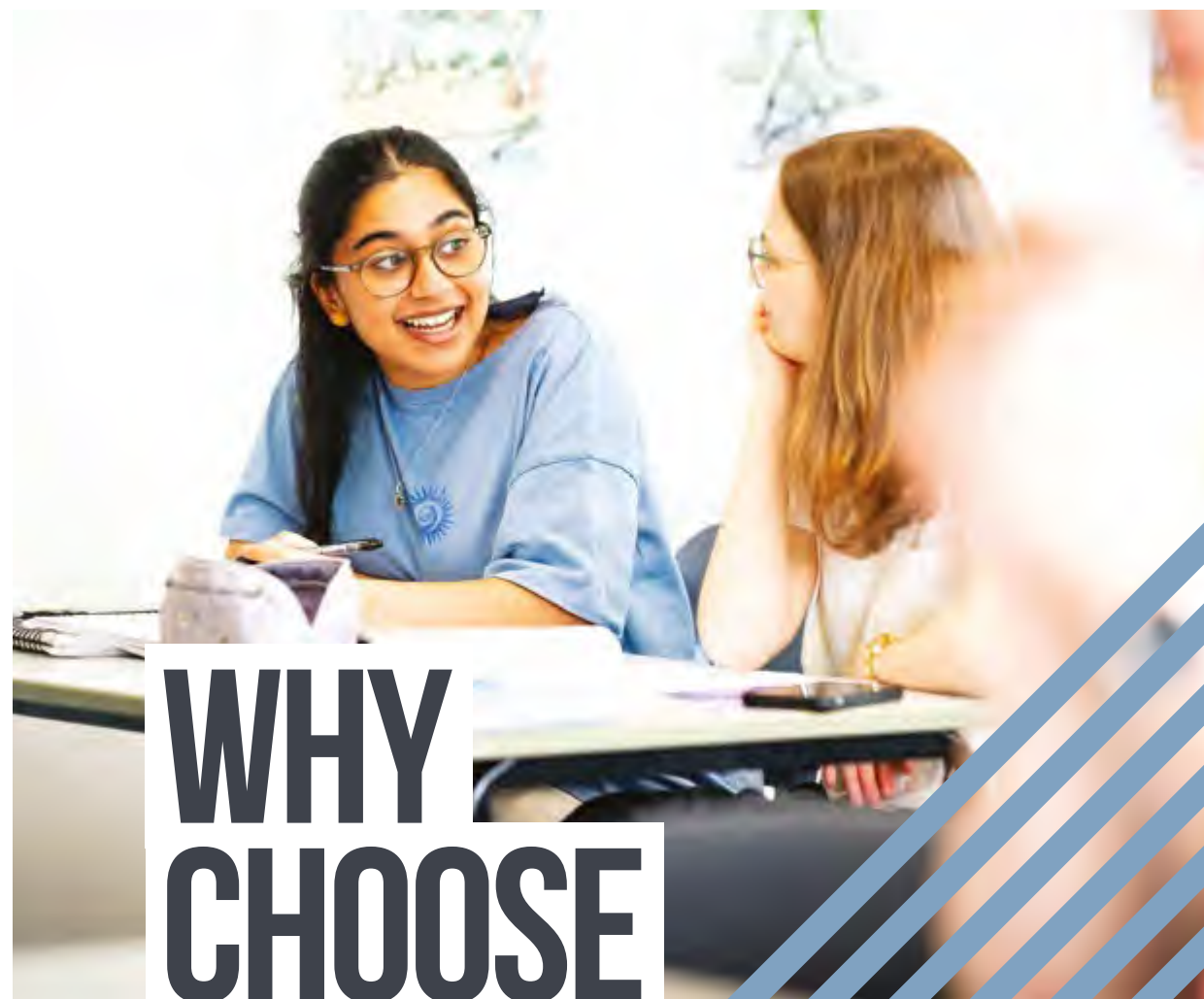
Our Enrichment Programme continues to give every learner the chance to explore new passions and build valuable life skills, whether in academics, arts, sport, or beyond.

Our Career Zones remain a cornerstone of progression support - providing expert guidance, employer links, and clear routes into university, apprenticeships, or employment. Combined with our state-of-the-art facilities across all campuses, these resources ensure every student can aim high and achieve their goals.

I'd encourage you and your parents to experience this for yourselves - come along to one of our Open Events. Meet our inspirational staff, tour our modern facilities, and feel the energy that fuels student success.

As you explore the guide, I hope you sense the passion and commitment that define life at Truro & Penwith. Here, students are at the centre of everything we do, and we can't wait to support you in creating your own extraordinary journey.

Martin Tucker
Truro and Penwith College
Principal



WHY CHOOSE US?

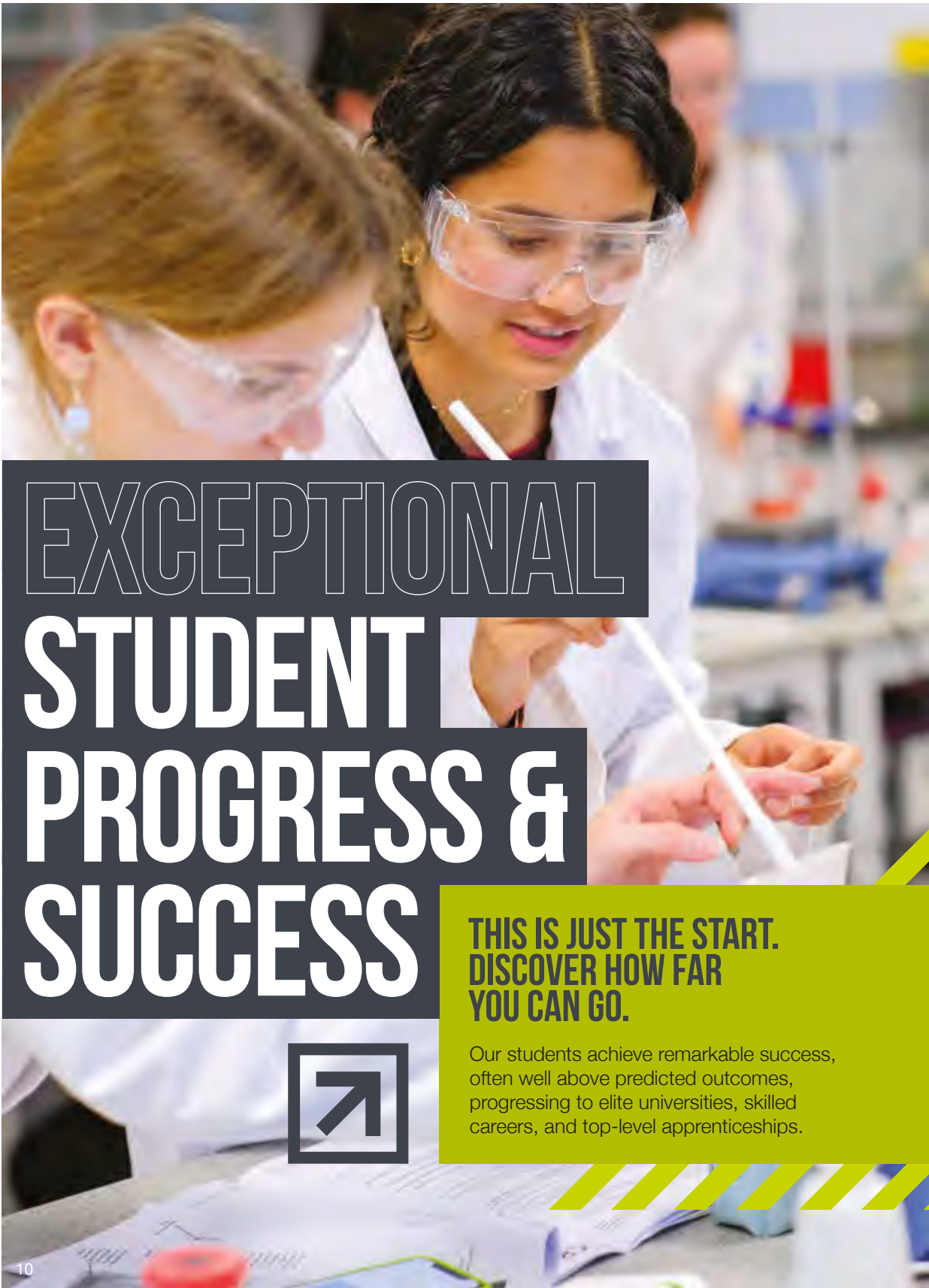
**YOUR TIME AT TRURO AND PENWITH
COLLEGE IS A LAUNCHPAD TO
SOMETHING BIGGER.**



This is where you break free from the ordinary, discover what really drives you, and connect with people who'll shape and inspire your journey.

With top-class teaching that gets results, unbeatable support and a buzzing student life across all our campuses, we'll help you dream bigger, aim higher and go further than you ever thought possible.

Your next chapter starts here - and we're right with you at every step to make sure it's incredible.



EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT PROGRESS & SUCCESS

**THIS IS JUST THE START.
DISCOVER HOW FAR
YOU CAN GO.**

Our students achieve remarkable success, often well above predicted outcomes, progressing to elite universities, skilled careers, and top-level apprenticeships.



HIGH PERFORMANCE SPORT ACADEMIES

Our highly regarded Sport Academies have supported athletes to excel in their chosen field reaching national and international success.

Academies will enhance your skills and help you take your game to the next level.



FANTASTIC SUPPORT & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GIFTED & TALENTED STUDENTS

Our Accelerate, Academic and Medics' Academies, along with our Oxbridge Support Programme, are designed to develop excellence and underpin future academic and career success. Dedicated support and expert tuition will improve your chances of successful application to the prestigious Russell Group and Oxbridge Universities, helping you achieve your true potential.



AMAZING GLOBAL TRAVEL EXPERIENCES

Expand your horizons and build on your classroom learning.

EMPLOYER CONNECT INDUSTRY LINKS WITH TOP EMPLOYERS

With an employer presence in every classroom, Employer Connect brings education and the workplace together, enriching your learning experience, to empower you with valuable insights and career-focused skills.

PATHWAYS TO ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT AT TRURO & PENWITH COLLEGE

We support those who are academically talented, preparing them for application to the most competitive universities and successful careers in the field of their choice.

ACCELERATE ACADEMY

Accelerate is our bespoke STEM programme of study for academically minded A Level students with a passion for their subjects, excellent work-ethic and high ambitions towards competitive Higher Education and university. At Truro and Penwith College, we recognise that success in Higher Education and university is not only about academic excellence, but also about fostering wellbeing and developing leadership and social skills that will enable you to confidently step into the world and manifest positive change in society and the world at large.

Where timetabling allows, Accelerate students will be taught together as a group for some A Level STEM subjects. In addition to your choice of three or four A Level STEM subjects, you are strongly encouraged to complete an Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).



SEE MORE
DETAILS ONLINE

truro-penwith.ac.uk/enrichment

OXBRIDGE SUPPORT

The Oxbridge Support Programme is a supplementary support programme which works alongside the Accelerate Academy. If you are aiming for Oxbridge, you will be guided by the Oxbridge Support team. You will be offered a comprehensive package to ensure that your university application is competitive and stands out when compared to other applicants. This includes super-curricular and enrichment opportunities, individual help with your Oxbridge personal statement, mock interviews and open day visits, among others.



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The support I've received in the Medics' Academy has been amazing. They really went in depth with the application process and most of us have an offer so clearly it works.



Arya achieved three A*s in Maths, Biology and Chemistry and was supported by the Medics' Academy during her time at College.

Arya plans to be a Doctor and has taken her place at University College London (UCL) to study Medicine.

MEDICS' ACADEMY

The process of applying to highly competitive medics' courses has multiple stages and can be confusing - the Medics' Academy is here to help guide you through this process and to optimise your chances of receiving an offer. The Medics' Academy is run in partnership with students from Exeter Medical School as part of the Widening Access initiative. We also work closely with ex-academy members at all stages of their careers, Foundation year doctors, GPs, dentists and vets to give you the widest exposure to careers in this field.

ACADEMIC ACADEMY

The Academic Academy is a fun and exciting 30-week programme of lectures and seminars designed to stretch, challenge and provide support for students who want to apply for selective universities. It is taken alongside your full-time programme. We'll introduce you to new ideas and new ways of looking at the world. You will have a lecture by our own staff and external guests, with previous speakers including a Lord, an Oxford professor, a BBC national newsreader and the Director of Experiments at CERN. This is followed by a choice of seminar.

EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION EPQ

If you want to develop study and research skills to support your studies and progression to university, this independent research project is for you. The techniques you will learn, such as reflection, critical analysis and presentation of results, will support your progression into employment. The EPQ allows you to tailor your project to fit your individual needs, choices, and aspirations.

GET RESULTS GO PLACES

Exceptional results lead to exceptional opportunities.

Data from 2025 exam entries.



APPRENTICESHIPS

Top in the South West & third nationally for achievement

Proud to be one of only five Department for Education Expert Apprenticeship Providers nationally and the ATA Apprenticeship Provider of the Year.

99% A LEVEL PASS RATE

With over 2,000 A Level entries - significantly more than any other provider in Cornwall - students achieved a 99% pass rate.

A quarter of students achieved A* to A, 10% above the General Further Education (GFE) college national average, while 56% gained A*-B grades and 82% A* to C - well above national benchmarks and higher than Cornwall and South West averages.

VOCATIONAL TOP GRADES

Over 1,000 Level 3 Vocational students completed their studies, with over 70% of UAL Diploma students in creative subjects achieving the highest grades. Over 600 Occupational students (studying Automotive, Construction, Hospitality and Hair and Beauty) achieved outstanding results across all levels, well above national benchmarks with an overall achievement rate of 91%.



OVER 250 Students secured Russell Group university offers

10 Students progress to the universities of Oxford and Cambridge



UNI PROGRESSION

While the national average for students accepted onto their first-choice course is 82%, an impressive 93% of those students at Truro and Penwith College who received their decision on A Level results day have been placed on their first choice (UCAS' firm) degree level course.

172 A* GRADES

More than double the national average

Truro and Penwith College's results, particularly in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) and high grades, set a benchmark for post-16 education.

T LEVEL

T Level programmes saw exceptional results and impressive high grades. 34% achieving the highest grade of distinction in their occupational specialisms, against a national average of 18%.

IB SUCCESS

IB Diploma students also excelled this year, achieving a 98% pass rate, well above the global average of 80%. The average points score of 35.29 exceeded the international figure of 30.58, with nearly a quarter of students achieving 40 points or more and 90% gaining 30 points or more.

TOP GRADES TAKE YOU FURTHER



With an impressive 93% of students securing their first-choice university in 2025, studying at Truro and Penwith College is the perfect place to launch your Higher Education and career dreams.



Takura - D* D* D

Takura, who previously attended Mounts Bay Academy, studied the BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Biomedical Science). He is now progressing onto an Apprenticeship in Pharmaceutical Science.

"My time at College was such a fun and inspiring journey. Penwith really helped me grow into who I am today. The lecturers were incredible - always supportive and encouraging - and I'm truly inspired by them."



Rebecca - A* A* A*

Rebecca, who previously attended Truro School, studied Chemistry, Biology and English Literature A Levels. She is now heading to Cambridge University to study Veterinary Medicine.

She chose Truro College after considering staying at sixth form, describing it as a 'stepping stone to university': "I'm really glad I came to College. My lecturers were really supportive. I made really good friends, despite not knowing anyone initially."



Poppy - A* A* A* A

Poppy, who previously attended Penryn College studied A Levels in Chemistry, Maths, Further Maths, and Physics A Levels. Poppy is now heading to the University of Oxford to study Engineering.

"I chose Truro College for the A Level course content and structure, and I thank my lecturers support for my high grades. I was worried about studying quite male dominated subjects and being the only girl, but everyone was really nice."



Sonny - Distinction

Sonny, who previously attended Newquay Tretherras, studied the T Level in Design, Surveying and Planning. He is now heading to the next stage of his journey; a Degree-level Construction, Design and Build Technician Apprenticeship.

"I thought I'd get a pass or merit but turns out I got a distinction! If it wasn't for my tutors, I wouldn't have got this."



Isis - D* D* D

Isis, who previously attended Mounts Bay Academy, studied the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care. She is now heading to Plymouth University to study Midwifery.

"The one thing I'll take away is the kindness of the lecturers and how they supported us every step of the way"



HOW FAR CAN YOU GO?

Join the hundreds of students each year that achieve exceptional success and take their next steps to an inspiring career.

We'll give you the skills, knowledge and confidence to progress onto an apprenticeship, employment or, like many of our students, to university. Here's a small taster of our student destinations and subject areas:

01 Aberystwyth University

Fine Art
Biology

02 Bournemouth University

Criminology with Law
Cyber Security Management

03 Bath Spa University

Forensic Psychology
Film, Television and Digital
Production

04 BIMM University

Electronic Music Production
Music Production & Music
Business

05 Bristol, UWE

Diagnostic Radiography
Robotics

06 Buckinghamshire New University

Set Design for Screen
& Stage
Sports Therapy

07 Cardiff University

Mechanical Engineering
Marine Geography

08 De Montfort University

Forensic Science
Media Production

09 Durham University

English Literature & History
Biological Sciences

10 Edinburgh Napier University

Photography
Software Engineering

11 Falmouth University

Animation
Esports & Livestreaming

12 Goldsmiths, University of London

Fine Art
Popular Music

13 Hartpury University

Equine Performance &
Rehabilitation
Agriculture

14 Keele University

Paramedic Science
Human Biology &
Psychology

15 King's College London

War Studies
English with Film Studies

16 Kingston University

Product & Furniture Design
Journalism & Media

17 Liverpool John Moores University

Building Surveying
International Business
Management

18 Loughborough University

Chemistry
Automotive Materials

19 Manchester Metropolitan University

Educational Psychology
Graphic Design

20 Newcastle University

Fine Art
Business Management

21 The University of Edinburgh

Social Anthropology
International Business with
Japanese

22 University Centre Truro & Penwith

Operating Department
Practitioner
Law with Criminology
& Criminal Justice

23 University of Birmingham

Film & Creative Writing
History & Politics

24 University of Bristol

Zoology
Applied Anatomy

25 University of Cambridge

Architecture
Theology, Religion &
Philosophy of Religion

26 University of Exeter

Physics with Astrophysics
Sustainable Energy Futures

27 University of Glasgow

German/Russian
Central & East European
Studies/History

28 University of Leeds

Dental Surgery
English Literature with
Creative Writing

29 University of Oxford

Mathematics & Statistics
Biochemistry

30 University of Plymouth

Nursing (Child Health)
Civil Engineering

31 University of Sheffield

Japanese Studies
Politics and Philosophy

32 University of Southampton

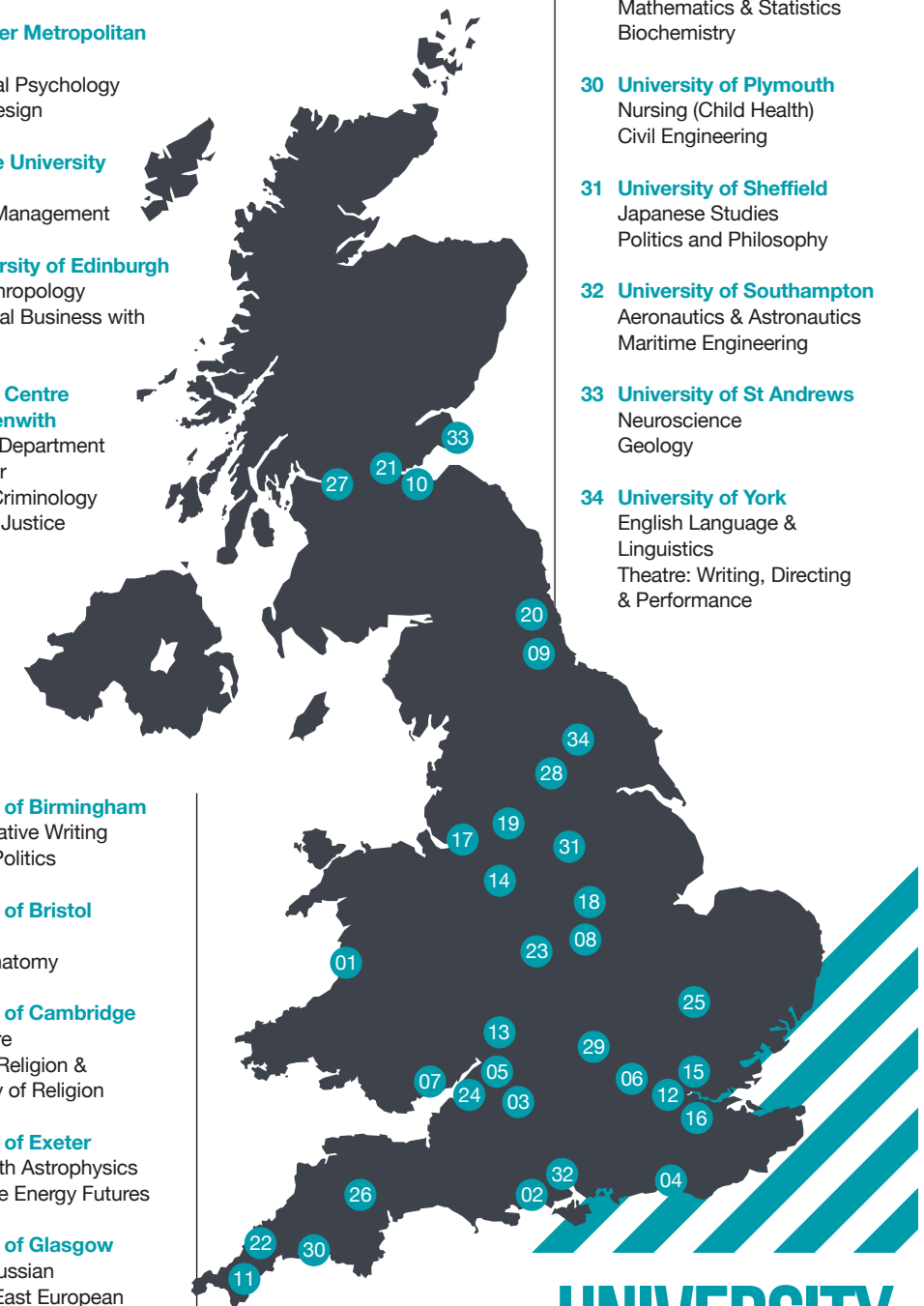
Aeronautics & Astronautics
Maritime Engineering

33 University of St Andrews

Neuroscience
Geology

34 University of York

English Language &
Linguistics
Theatre: Writing, Directing
& Performance



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS

WHATEVER YOUR GOALS, WE WILL HELP YOU ACHIEVE THEM

Whether you are taking your first steps on an entry level course, looking to gain life or employment skills, aspiring to gain a place at university or enter the world of work, Truro and Penwith College has a proven track record of helping you achieve your true potential. We do this through:

- > Expert, highly skilled teaching at all levels that challenges and inspires
- > Academies that encourage development and excellence and give additional breadth to your studies
- > Motivational careers information and guidance through our dedicated Career Zone team
- > Exceptional personal support services help create your own Independent Learning Plan
- > Fantastic enrichment programme including the Extended Project Qualification, DofE Award and a range of flexible, drop-in opportunities
- > Specialist guidance and support for applications to the most competitive jobs and universities
- > Dedicated safeguarding services ensure students learn in a safe and supportive environment
- > State-of-the-art resources and facilities of the highest standard to enhance your studies
- > World-class student experience

HERE FOR YOU

**SUPPORT IS AVAILABLE
THROUGHOUT YOUR TIME AT
TRURO AND PENWITH COLLEGE.
WE CAN HELP YOU WITH:**


- All aspects of future career planning through our dedicated Career Zones
- Support with transition to College
- Assistive technology training
- Education, Health and Care Plans and additional needs support
- Supported spaces to meet social and sensory needs
- One-to-one tuition in Maths, English and study skills
- Special Educational Needs (SEN) support and guidance
- Mental health support
- Counselling services
- Safeguarding concerns
- Sexual health advice
- Financial advice and bursaries
- Travel bursaries
- University application support
- Job finding, CV writing and application guidance
- Learning resources and Libraries
- Physical health and mental wellbeing through our ENRICHment programme

WHY CHOOSE US?

**LET'S
TALK**

Come and see us at one of our Open Events where we can discuss any additional support requirements you may have. See the inside back page for dates.





MEET OTHER STUDENTS
DEVELOP NEW SKILLS
IMPROVE HEALTH & WELLBEING
BUILD CONFIDENCE & RESILIENCE
PREPARE FOR YOUR NEXT STEPS

ENRICHMENT FOR ALL

WHETHER YOUR INTEREST IS
ACADEMIC, SPORTING, CREATIVE,
OR SOCIAL, ENRICHMENT ADDS
TO OUR FANTASTIC STUDENT
EXPERIENCE

OUR ENRICHMENT IS DIVIDED INTO TWO MAIN GROUPS:

01

ACADEMIES

Our Academies complement and add breadth to your studies. Gain the confidence to set ambitious progression and career goals while developing your technical skills in a wide range of subject areas.

Through expert teaching, our Academies allow you to progress and excel in your chosen discipline. They are a fixed weekly commitment throughout the academic year where you will have the opportunity to train or improve your skills at an elite level.

- Academic Academy
- Accelerate Academy
- Allied Health Academy
- Dance (High Performance) Academy
- Law Academy
- Medics' Academy
- Jazz Academy
- Sports Academies

Additional Qualifications:

- Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

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THE ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

Our flexible programme, run by the ENRICHment team, offers opportunities for you to get involved in a wide variety of activities. Options run throughout the week and include everything from creative arts and board games to fitness, mindfulness, team sports, directed study and revision sessions. It's your one-stop shop for health, wellbeing, fitness, creativity and connection.

You can access these options through a comprehensive timetable published at the start of term, allowing you to drop-in and try new things whenever you are available.

CAMPUS: PENWITH COLLEGE

**STUDY AT A UNIQUE,
PURPOSE-BUILT CAMPUS
WITH FIRST-RATE FACILITIES
ON YOUR DOORSTEP**

**RECEIVE OUTSTANDING SUPPORT
ON A SUPER FRIENDLY CAMPUS.
BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY
#TEAMPENWITHCOLLEGE**

**PURSUE YOUR
PASSIONS IN
BEAUTIFUL SPACES
WITH SUPPORTIVE
STAFF AND MEET
LIKE-MINDED NEW
FRIENDS.**

**MAKE FRIENDS FOR
LIFE - STUDENTS
JOIN US FROM ALL
OVER CORNWALL.**



**GET EXPERT ADVICE AND
GUIDANCE FROM OUR
STUDENT SERVICES AND
CAREER ZONE TEAMS.**

**ENJOY OUR DELICIOUS
STREET FOOD TAKEAWAY
OFFER AVAILABLE
FROM OUR FABULOUS,
AWARD-WINNING SENARA
RESTAURANT.**

**GREAT TRANSPORT LINKS
FROM ACROSS WEST
CORNWALL INCLUDING
ST IVES, HAYLE, HELSTON
AND CAMBORNE.**



CAMPUS: TRURO COLLEGE

**A PROVEN REPUTATION FOR
EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT
PROGRESS AND RESULTS**

LARGE NUMBERS OF OUR LEARNERS PROGRESS TO THE MOST
PRESTIGIOUS RUSSELL GROUP UNIVERSITIES AND GAIN EMPLOYMENT
WITH INDUSTRY LEADERS.



WHY CHOOSE US?

GO FURTHER WITH
A WIDE RANGE OF
PROGRESSION ROUTES
AVAILABLE THROUGH
OUR UNIVERSITY
CENTRE.

**INDUSTRY-STANDARD EQUIPMENT
& FACILITIES ACROSS ALL OUR
CURRICULUM AREAS**

IMMERSE YOURSELF
IN OUR FANTASTIC
LEARNING
ENVIRONMENT.

BE SUPPORTED BY OUR
TEAM OF EXPERTS.
OUR CAREER ZONE HAS
LINKS WITH LOCAL
EMPLOYERS AND CAN
GIVE ADVICE AND
GUIDANCE ON ALL
ASPECTS OF CAREER
PLANNING.



CAMPUS: STEM & HEALTH SKILLS CENTRE BODMIN

**PROGRAMMES DEVELOPED
WITH EMPLOYERS FOR
INDUSTRY RELEVANT SKILLS**

HOME TO SPECIALIST POST-16
EDUCATION IN ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING,
HEALTHCARE AND NURSING.

WHY CHOOSE US?

FULL ACCESS TO THE
DEDICATED STUDENT
SUPPORT SERVICES YOU
NEED TO SUCCEED.

FACILITIES INCLUDE
ENGINEERING AND
ELECTRONICS
WORKSHOPS, HEALTH
SIMULATION SUITES
AND MODERN DIGITAL
TECHNOLOGY.



**BRAND-NEW,
STATE-OF-THE-ART
FACILITIES IN
BODMIN**



A RANGE OF ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION AND
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APPRENTICESHIPS & ACADEMIES

Check out each subject area for courses, Apprenticeships and Academy options, which integrate into your full-time programme of study to promote development and excellence.



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WHAT TO CHOOSE

& ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

ACADEMIC OR VOCATIONAL; YOU HAVE SO MUCH CHOICE.

If you want to stay in full-time education, you can choose subjects that interest you, either a variety at A Level or on the IB Diploma, or specialising in one area on a vocational course.

You may decide classroom-based learning isn't for you anymore. Many of our full-time Vocational courses are practically based, or you could start an Apprenticeship, learning while at work and coming to College on specific days. We also offer programmes for those with no prior qualifications, who are seeking employment or access to full-time education.

All of these options will give you an advantage whether you want to find a job or go on to university. We'll help you make the choice that's right for you.

For more information about your options, visit our website where you'll find detailed course information and subject area overviews. Of course, make sure you attend one of our many Open Events. You will get the opportunity to see our fantastic facilities, chat to our staff and find out about your life as a student. We look forward to welcoming you.

SEE THE INSIDE
BACK PAGE FOR OUR
OPEN EVENT DATES.

For learners working at entry levels, who may also have SEND (Special Educational Needs or Disabilities).

PROGRESSION PATHWAYS PRE ENTRY & ENTRY 1-3

How long is it? The pathway you choose will determine the length of your course.

What do you need? No prior qualifications are required but your EHCP (Education, Health and care plan), initial assessments and baseline assessments will determine best course options.

What is it? As a learner in Progression Pathways, our programmes will look to develop your independence, confidence and resilience in learning and in the wider community. The pathway you study on will determine the possible outcomes which can vary from further supported learning, training or accessing your community. Our programmes will focus on meeting your individual needs through an engaging and aspirational curriculum in order to prepare for adulthood.

Programmes that balance work experience and qualifications leading to Apprenticeships, further study or work.

PROGRESSION: PERSONAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LEVEL 1 & 2

How long is it? Up to one academic year.

What do you need? No prior qualifications are required but initial assessments will determine best course options alongside GCSE grades and progression plans.

What is it? These programmes have an equal emphasis on qualifications, skills development and work experience, enabling progression to further education, an apprenticeship or paid employment.

You will be provided with the skills, knowledge and training that will enable you to break down barriers to learning and prepare for your next steps.

Work-based qualifications that enable you to get real life experience and earn while you learn.

APPRENTICESHIPS LEVEL 2 & 3

How long is it? A minimum of 12 months.

What do you need? There are no formal requirements as Apprenticeships are not just based on previous academic achievement. Apprenticeships are available to anyone over the age of 16. Some start in October but many start throughout the year. You will need to be committed, motivated, enthusiastic and reliable. Applicants will be interviewed prior to starting an Apprenticeship programme.

What is it? As an Apprentice, you will be working for a local business, earning a real wage, gaining practical skills and completing nationally recognised qualifications. Choosing the Apprenticeship route gets you straight into the career of your choice. You will be employed for at least 15 hours per week and take part in a mixture of taught courses, workshops, work-based assessments and e-learning. You will also have a dedicated training adviser who will help and support you throughout. For further details, please call 01872 305500 or email apprenticeships@truro-penwith.ac.uk

Specialist vocational courses. In order to reach Level 3 you must complete an appropriate lower level.

TECHNICAL COURSES LEVEL 1, 2 & 3

How long is it? Various durations depending on subject and level.

What do you need? Hair, Beauty and Catering Level 1: Three GCSEs at Grade 2 including English Language (or English Literature) and/or Maths.

Hair, Beauty and Catering Level 2: Three GCSEs at Grade 3 plus either English Language (or English Literature) and/or Maths at Grade 4.

Construction Level 1: Two GCSEs at Grade 2 including English Language (or English Literature) and/or Maths.*

Motor Vehicle Level 1: Three GCSEs at Grade 2 including English Language (or English Literature), Maths and a Science.*

* These grades are desirable but all will be considered following a successful interview.

Level 3 Technical courses require successful completion of a lower-level qualification in an appropriate subject.

What is it? Technical courses involve studying the theory and practical elements of your chosen subject. These will enable you to develop occupational knowledge and progress into industry.

A full-time vocational course in a single specific subject focused on progression to further study or employment.

AWARDS, CERTIFICATES & DIPLOMAS LEVEL 1 & 2

How long is it? One year.

What do you need? Level 1: No prior qualification required. Progression 2: You are required to achieve three GCSEs at Grade 3 including English Language (or English Literature) and/or Maths.

What is it? These courses are focused on progression, either to further study, an Apprenticeship or into employment. You will develop knowledge and understanding by applying your learning and skills in a work-related context.

Level 1 pathways include Functional Skills English and Maths up to Level 1 and a Work Skills qualification. Achievement at Level 1 is essential for progression onto Level 2 courses. The Level 2 pathway encompasses specific vocational qualifications, Level 2 Maths and English courses and prepares you for the world of work. You will have the opportunity to progress to Level 3 courses including Extended Diplomas, and the programme also prepares you for Apprenticeships and employment. Assessment will be through a combination of external examination and coursework.

A full-time vocational course in a single specific subject that is equivalent to three A Levels.

EXTENDED DIPLOMA LEVEL 3

How long is it? Two years - In year one, you will complete a Level 3 Foundation Diploma before progressing to gain the full Extended Diploma at the end of year two unless otherwise stated.

What do you need? Four GCSEs at Grade 4 including either English Language or Literature and/or Maths. A Merit on a Level 2 Diploma in an appropriate subject can also be considered (plus English and/or Maths) or as otherwise stated.

What is it? Previously known as the National Diploma, the 180-credit, 13-unit qualification is referred to as the Extended Diploma. This Diploma is equivalent to three subjects at A Level. It is an excellent route if you have decided on the broad area of employment you wish to pursue. The combination of a range of specialist modules with the depth of knowledge acquired enables you to progress successfully into higher education or into employment. You will also be required to undertake several hours of independent study. Assessment is through coursework, external written exams and evaluation of practical skills.

This qualification combines classroom theory and practical learning with an extended industry placement of 45 days.

T LEVELS LEVEL 3

How long is it? Two years.

What do you need? Entry requirements for T level vary depending on the subject, but most require 4 GCSEs at Grades 4/5 or above, plus English Language or Literature and Maths. A Level 2 Diploma at Merit in an appropriate subject can also be considered (plus English and/or Maths).

What is it? T Levels are equivalent to three A Levels. They combine classroom theory, practical learning and a three-month industry placement with an employer to make sure you have real experience of the workplace. T Levels have been developed in collaboration with employers so that the content meets the needs of industry and prepares students for work. They provide the knowledge and experience needed to open the door to highly skilled employment, an Apprenticeship or higher level study. Around 80% of your time will be spent at College with the remaining 20% being spent at your placement. This differs to an Apprenticeship, which is typically 80% on-the-job and 20% in the classroom. Experience with a real employer in a real workplace will allow you to apply the skills and knowledge you learn in the classroom to the job, giving you a taste of the world of work you can expect once you complete your studies.

Equivalent to one A Level and studied as part of an A Level programme.

EXTENDED CERTIFICATE/ APPLIED DIPLOMA LEVEL 3 A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

How long is it? Two years.

What do you need? Four GCSEs at Grade 4 or above or a Level 2 Diploma in appropriate subjects.

What is it? The Level 3 Extended Certificate/Diploma is an excellent addition if you are studying A Levels. They can add breadth to an academic programme of study and provide a vocationally relevant dimension. The six-unit qualification is equivalent to one A Level. Assessment is through coursework and evaluation of practical skills including a final major project.

Choose three A Levels from over 40 subjects. It's a good way of keeping your options open.

A LEVEL LEVEL 3

How long is it? Two years.

What do you need? The minimum entry requirements are five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above. Grades 5 and 6 will be required in certain subjects such as English or mathematics dependant on your choice of A Level subjects.

For up to date and detailed entry requirements please see our website.

What is it? Advanced Level programmes consist of formal lectures, class activities and assessments, set homework and problem solving. For each subject, you will also be required to undertake several hours of independent study.

We strongly encourage a broad programme for A Level students. Most subject specifications are assessed by examination but some include coursework assessment. All A Levels at the College are delivered in the linear format with no qualification at the end of year one. Academic assessment for A Levels will take place at the end of two years of study. Students must study a minimum of three A Levels.

Study six subject areas in this highly regarded alternative to A Levels, which is fully recognised by universities.

IB DIPLOMA LEVEL 3

How long is it? Two years.

What do you need? Five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above in a broad range of subjects, including English and Maths at Grade 5. Grade 6 is required in subjects appropriate to Higher Level options.

What is it? The IB Diploma (International Baccalaureate) is an excellent alternative to A Levels. It will be attractive if you have enjoyed studying a range of subjects at GCSE and want to continue doing so at an advanced level. You will study three subjects at Higher Level and three subjects at Standard Level. You will also follow a Theory of Knowledge course, produce an Extended Essay and undertake Creativity, Action and Service-based projects.

Specialised forms of assessment are used as appropriate to each subject as well as written examinations, all reflecting the balance and educational diversity of the IB programme. The IB is fully recognised by all UK universities.

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ART, DESIGN & PHOTOGRAPHY



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Animation
- Architecture
- Ceramics
- Commercial Photography
- Fashion & Textiles
- Fine Art
- Graphic Design
- Illustration
- Interior Design
- Product Design
- Photo Journalism
- Jewellery Design
- Print Making
- Sculpture

GO FURTHER IN THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES



As an Art and Design student, you will have the freedom to explore new ideas while developing technical skills in your chosen medium.

Your creativity will be enhanced by a unique learning environment. Our White and Kenwyn buildings at Truro are purpose built facilities containing specialist studios and exhibition spaces. At Penwith, the Nanjizal building has space, light and views over the campus. These studios will provide you with an experience of the diverse creative industries.

You will have the opportunity to build a portfolio of work as well as a chance to exhibit in our exhibitions. Many students progress to our successful Foundation Art and Design Diploma, based at our Tregye campus or onto degree level study across the country and at our own University Centre.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Heartlands
- Tate St Ives
- Cast
- Truro Arts Society
- Seasalt
- Cornwall Fine Art Solutions
- Leach Pottery
- Royal Cornwall Museum
- Falmouth Art Gallery
- Kernowcraft
- Penlee House Gallery
- Fish Factory
- Krowji
- Brickworks
- St Justin
- Finisterre
- John Howard Print Studios
- Grays Wharf Gallery



GET CREATIVE

Creative industries contribute £125bn to our economy. It is also one of the fastest growing sectors nationally with 175,00 new jobs created, exceeding the national average by a factor of three. Engage with 'live' briefs that provide a professional framework for projects and assignments including British Art Medal Society and the Royal Opera House Design Challenge.



A WORLD OF EXPERIENCE

PROUD TO SHOW OFF YOUR WORK

Students exhibit their work locally and nationally, at live venues and over digital platforms, including the Mall Galleries, the Victoria and Albert Museum, the Royal Academy of Arts, the Truman Gallery and New Designers, London.

We also host our own annual Art Shows and Photography Exhibitions at the College, exhibiting artwork from all levels and courses.

EXCEL WITH US

All Art and Design Diplomas exceeded the percentage of distinctions, against the latest benchmark data. An exceptional 34% of students studying an A Level Art course achieved an A - A* grade.

Students gain industry experience through guest talks, workshops, visits and exhibitions. Student residential visits have included travel to Amsterdam, Paris, Rome, Barcelona, New York, and London and many individual day trips to visit local exhibitions, museums, studios, workshops, and galleries.

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN OUR UNIQUE CREATIVE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

Students work with energetic and well qualified staff, who have expert knowledge and are practicing creatives in many specialisms. Come and meet the staff and see our exceptional studio spaces and fantastic resources for yourself at one of our Open Events.



GO FURTHER

Through exceptional teaching and learning across a broad range of courses, you will be well prepared for future success in the next stage of education and employment.



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Every year, our students develop and explore new skills and ideas. They progress to prestigious universities and become part of the creative industries.

Arlo Tinson Head of Faculty

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ART & DESIGN - FASHION A LEVEL

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Fashion is about telling stories and exploring ideas through clothing, creating spectacle and meaning through a medium that we all consume daily. Channel your creativity into this course, and express yourself through your designs.

● Why choose this course?

Do you enjoy drawing and designing garments, alongside the challenge of bringing your ideas to life through making? The Fashion course encourages you to develop a creative approach to contemporary fashion and costume design. Learn how to develop innovative solutions to a brief through research, experimentation and sample making. Take your ideas from designs to final concepts, gaining skills in the processes needed to produce garments. You will also broaden your knowledge of various designers, taking inspiration from to use in your own creations.

● Where will it take me?

You can progress directly from A Level Fashion to any Art and Design degree. Career opportunities in this field are varied depending on your other course choices. Fashion, Costume or Textile Designer are immediately related job roles, however more broadly related careers include Pattern Cutter and Grader, Garment technologist, Visual merchandiser, Fashion Illustrator, Stylist, Retail Buyer, Fashion Journalist, Make-Up Artist, Event Manager, PR, and Marketing.

ART & DESIGN - FINE ART A LEVEL

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This course offers a range of varied and exciting workshops, to develop skills and knowledge that is fundamental to the world of art and design. You will study how other artists and designers work, developing understanding and critical analysis. The course gradually builds around personal interests, to develop your creativity.

● Why choose this course?

Do you enjoy drawing? Would you like to explore a broad range of materials and processes, improve your skills and knowledge, work creatively, and see and understand the world in a different way? This course develops your skills and thinking, either as a personally enriching interest or as a progression towards a career within the creative industries. You will develop key skills and knowledge fundamental to the world of art and design. During a series of workshops, you will explore a range of two-dimensional materials and approaches. You will explore how a range of modern and historic artists have communicated ideas through their imagery and techniques. Year two builds on your learning with experimental workshops, encouraging you to work in new and different ways.

● Where will it take me?

Valued by many universities and employers, this classical, creative subject is applicable to almost any specialism within Art and Design. The University Centre Truro and Penwith has Higher Education courses available for those students who want to continue their studies in Cornwall.



HOW FAR
CAN YOU
GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Fine Art - The University of Edinburgh
Illustration - Falmouth University
Film, Media & Photography - University Centre Truro & Penwith
Ceramics - Central St Martins
Costume Design for Film & Television - Falmouth University
Product & Furniture Design - Kingston School of Art
Artist Blacksmithing - Hereford College of Art
Graphic Design - Manchester Metropolitan University
Computer Science & Games - University of Brighton
Architecture - The University of Cambridge

“ The two years studying on the diploma were so memorable for me, as it was the beginning of an exciting journey that led me to study Textiles at Bath Spa University.”

MATILDA studied the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design.

Through her diploma, Matilda was able to find her creative voice and discover her dream career. Since graduating, Matilda has travelled the world working on her textiles. She has documented the Street Child World Cup in Qatar with her creative eye, raising money for charity through the sale of her artwork. She has also travelled across Southeast Asia and has taught art and textiles to children in remote rural schools across Thailand.

TRAVEL
THE WORLD
LIKE
MATILDA



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Find your course and apply online

ART & DESIGN - ILLUSTRATION & GRAPHICS A LEVEL

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Learn to develop design solutions, exploring the power of visual communication as an invaluable commercial tool. Whether you prefer traditional or digital illustration, you will explore a range of media and software to enable you to allow your creativity to flourish.

- **Why choose this course?**
If you are a lively, curious person and enjoy developing your ideas through drawing and utilising a wide range of processes, this course is for you. You will develop design solutions and explore the power of visual communication as an invaluable commercial tool. The course is structured to support and develop your confidence and individual strengths, from illustrative and traditional studio-based skills through to more graphics and digitally based practice, allowing for a broad and creative approach to design. You will progress through the course with a range of varied and challenging workshops developing fundamental skills and knowledge integral to the world of illustration and design.

- **Where will it take me?**
You can progress directly from A Level to an arts degree such as Graphic Design, Visual Communication, Illustration, Games Design and Multi-Media Design. Employment as a graphic designer is the clearest route but this course also offers a way into illustration or, with further study, animation; you could work in the media, an advertising company or design agency.

ART & DESIGN - TEXTILES A LEVEL

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Do you love the tactile qualities of fabrics and stitch? Do you enjoy drawing and visualising your ideas through a hands-on approach to materials? The Textiles course encourages you to explore the breadth of approaches available within contemporary textiles today. Different student interests and strengths are highly valued.

- **Why choose this course?**
A Level Textiles is a practical, hands-on Art and Design course using textile techniques and processes to make sculptural textiles, wearable accessories, interior products, or image-based textiles. Studying how other designers and artists work is a significant element to the course, extending knowledge, understanding, and critical analysis. You will partake in a number of workshops specialising in different elements of textile media. You will develop a personal, visual language and learn a variety of skills that will enable you to progress into your chosen career path.

- **Where will it take me?**
You can progress directly from A Level Textiles to any art and design degree including Textile Design, Interior Design, Fashion Design, Costume Design, or Craft Maker. Textile, Fashion, or Interior designer are immediately related job roles, however more broadly related careers include Interior Architect, Visual merchandiser, Costume Prop and/ or Set Designer, Fashion Illustrator, Stylist, Retail Buyer, Fashion Journalist, or Curator.

ART & DESIGN - 3D DESIGN A LEVEL

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This course is perfect for students wishing to learn the study of visual communication through the exploration of three-dimensional outcomes. Learn to develop design solutions, exploring methods and processes that utilise state-of-the-art technology.

- **Why choose this course?**
During the 3D Design course, you will learn to develop design solutions, exploring the power of computer aided design and emerging technologies as a creative tool. The course is structured to support and develop your confidence and individual strengths, from traditional model making and studio-based skills through to more commercial methods of manufacturing, allowing for a broad and creative approach to design. You will participate in a range of varied and challenging workshops developing fundamental skills and knowledge integral to the world of Three-Dimensional Design.

- **Where will it take me?**
A qualification in 3D Design is highly valued by universities and employers and is applicable to almost every progression in art and design. Employment as an Architect, Product or Interior Designer is the clearest route. Taken with Maths and Physics lead to Engineering or Science based professions.

TAKE THE NEXT STEP FOUNDATION DIPLOMA IN ART & DESIGN

This one-year, Level 4 course is an opportunity for you to develop your creative skills, explore a wide range of disciplines, learn new techniques and challenge your imagination.

Students will normally be 18 years old when starting this course, having achieved A Level qualifications or an Extended Diploma within art-based subjects. Most learners progress on to a degree or similar higher education courses.



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PHOTOGRAPHY A LEVEL

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If you enjoy taking photos, this course will provide the opportunity to learn to develop your skills using a variety of techniques, exploring the power of visual communication. Develop your own photographic style, digital editing skills, traditional darkroom printing, studio-based skills and more.

● Why choose this course?

Do you possess an interest in learning how to communicate visually? Do you enjoy developing your ideas through creating photographs and utilising a range of processes towards a final project? During the photography course, you will learn to develop design solutions, exploring the power of visual communication as an invaluable commercial tool. The course is structured to support and develop your skills, confidence, and individual strengths - from working using digital editing software to traditional darkroom processes. You will work in a studio environment to allow you to develop a broad and creative approach to photography. This course will stretch and challenge you by providing opportunities to engage in projects that encourage creativity, investigation, analysis and experimentation.

● Where will it take me?

Successful completion of the course can lead to further study or employment in all areas of lens-based and visual arts including Art Foundation, Media, Film, Multi-Media, Graphic Design, Journalism, Advertising, Illustration and PR.

ART, DESIGN & MEDIA UAL LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

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This course is the first step in developing your creativity by helping you broaden your artistic skills.

● Why choose this course?

The Level 1 Art, Design and Media Diploma aids you in experimenting with your approach and discovering a wide range of concepts, which will culminate in you creating inspiring two dimensional and three-dimensional finished work. During the course, you will be able to study and discover new ways of creating with expert methods in areas such as drawing, painting, textiles, sculpture, printmaking and graphic design. To inspire your own work, you will research the works of other selected artists and designers linked to each project. This exploration will help inform your own creative outcomes, including helping to develop your use of formal art and design language as well as your written and verbal analytical skills.

● Where will it take me?

The Level 1 Diploma gives you the ideal foundation of skills to then progress onto the Level 2 Diploma in Art and Design or the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art and Design. You can also look to progress on to a range of other programmes within the College.



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ART & DESIGN UAL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

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This course is fast paced, creatively rewarding, hands on and practical. In Art and Design, you will explore how to successfully express your ideas visually and how to develop your practical skills in different artistic techniques and processes.

● Why choose this course?

The Level 2 Art and Design Diploma encourages you to be experimental with your approach and to explore lots of visual ideas which will lead to you making exciting two dimensional and three-dimensional finished work. You will have the opportunity to explore and discover new ways of working with methods of production and specialist techniques in areas such as drawing, painting, printmaking, graphic design, textiles and sculpture. You will also research the lives and work of other selected artists and designers related to each project. This research will inspire and inform your own creative outcomes alongside developing your verbal and written analytical skills and use of formal art and design language.

● Where will it take me?

This course will give you the ideal foundation of skills to prepare for further study at Level 3, such as the Level 3 Diploma in Art and Design, or a range of other programmes within the College. During the course, you will create a portfolio of diverse work that can be taken to interviews.



PROGRESS WITH US AT OUR UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- HNC/HND Fine Art
- FdA Film, Media & Photography

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ART & DESIGN: PHOTOGRAPHY UAL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO

If you enjoy taking photographs, then this course will stretch and challenge you by providing an opportunity to engage in projects that encourage creativity, investigation, analysis and experimentation as a means of developing technical and expressive skills.

● Why choose this course?

The UAL Level 2 Diploma in Art and Design: Photography has been designed for students who have an interest in photography or a related subject. The course allows you to explore and extend your interest via a full-time, immersive learning experience. You will be able to test your creativity within a structure that will provide a sound base of skills and knowledge but will also enhance self-confidence. You will also look at potential career opportunities that exist in the sector. You may have identified a specific career in the creative industries that you wish to progress to (e.g. photographer, fashion designer, graphic designer, product designer) and we will use this qualification as a starting point.

● Where will it take me?

This course will enable you to develop a portfolio of work that could support progression to a course at Level 3, usually Photography, Creative Media or Art and Design, or alternatively, you may progress onto Apprenticeships or other pathways to employment in the creative media industries.

CREATIVE PRACTICE: ART, DESIGN & COMMUNICATION UAL LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

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In this course, you will be challenged to investigate a diverse range of Art and Design media, develop your own innovative visual language and unleash your creative potential, both as an individual and a collaborator.

● Why choose this course?

Do you enjoy developing your ideas through creative exploration of different media, expanding your skills and building toward a final project? This course provides an opportunity for those who have an interest in the visual arts to explore, develop and test their creativity within a qualification structure which is stimulating and demanding and provides a supportive transition from further to higher education. The Creative Practice Level 3 Extended Diploma offers a fantastic opportunity for you to explore a range of exciting creative techniques and processes, through a series of vocationally relevant projects.

● Where will it take me?

The course has been designed to provide you with the skills, knowledge, and understanding necessary to progress to degree level study in art and design, or into employment.

CREATIVE PRACTICE: ART, DESIGN & COMMUNICATION: PHOTOGRAPHY UAL LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

If you enjoy creating photographic images, then this course will stretch and challenge you by providing opportunities to engage in projects that encourage creativity, investigation, analysis and experimentation as a means of developing technical and expressive skills in photography.

● Why choose this course?

This exciting qualification is for those looking to pursue a specialist career in the creative industries. This course will help develop the skills and competencies demanded by employers in the creative industries. Through your studies, you will learn to be a collaborative team player, a confident communicator, creative and innovative, an entrepreneurial problem solver, adaptable in the face of change, develop high-level technical skills (traditional and digital) and be motivated and self-directed.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification will support you to progress to a range of further and higher education. It will unlock employment opportunities in areas such as Photography/Lens-Based Media, Publishing, Curation and Exhibition Management, Advertising and Marketing and Graphic Communication.

PARIA studies 3D Design, Mathematics, Physics and Computer Science A Levels. She also takes part in the Computing Academy and Accelerate Programme.

Paria was accepted onto the prestigious Pelican Programme run by Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, which offers students the chance to develop their analytical and communication skills in specialised subjects through expert-led small-group discussions.

After college, Paria plans to study a degree in architecture at university.

**EXPAND
YOUR
HORIZONS**

“The lecturers have been incredibly supportive, providing guidance on both my coursework and external opportunities like the Pelican Programme. They always encourage creative thinking and push me to explore new ideas.”

LIKE PARIA

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AUTOMOTIVE

PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Automotive Engineering
- Vehicle Repair
- Vehicle Diagnostics
- Automotive Electrics
- Motor Vehicle Retail
- Automotive Parts Sales
- Vehicle Aftercare

- An Automotive qualification can also be used as a springboard into engineering qualifications and can provide transferable skills into other branches such as motorcycle, heavy vehicle or working as an MET technician in a body shop.

GO FURTHER IN THE MOTOR VEHICLE INDUSTRY

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Halfords
- Snap-On Tools
- Mill Autoquip
- LKQ
- Combellack Vehicle Recyclers
- Hawkins Motors
- Dales
- The AA
- RNLI
- Police Road Safety Team
- Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers
- Cornwall Fire and Rescue Service
- Cornwall Auto Technics
- Flora Motors
- Trelawny Citroen

Learn new skills for lifelong careers in the dynamic and fast-paced motor industry.

Over the next ten years, it is estimated that 45,800 technicians will be needed nationally. This builds on the 9% growth that the sector has seen over the previous ten years with 15,000 new technician roles created over that period.

On your journey to an inspiring career, you will be taught by staff who are industry experts, holding nationally recognised qualifications in both automotive subjects and education. Our staff come from a variety of industry fields including main dealerships, independent sellers and the military. This provides you with a wide range of experiences and viewpoints to help guide you into different avenues of work.

Staff have also been recognised nationally with one staff member winning the Technician of the Year award at Seat and another receiving a certificate of excellence at the National Pearson Teaching Awards. Two members of staff are also consultants for the Institute of the Motor Industry.

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You will have access to multiple trips and visits, which showcase the employment options open to you on completion of your studies. The Autosport International Show, which is the largest motorsport show in Europe, incorporating the Restoration show and Engineering show, allows you to hear from keynote speakers who are driving the industry forward, and also speak to exhibitors to learn about the national need for skills.

Trips have also taken place to many local employers including Gemini Accident Repair Centre, Cornwall Fire Service repair workshops, Jaguar Land Rover, the RNLI workshops, JDM motorsport garage and Colins of Probus.

Many local employers have utilised the College for electric vehicle and mot tester training, and full-time students have the opportunity to interact with these employers by acting as the MOT assistant for the training courses.

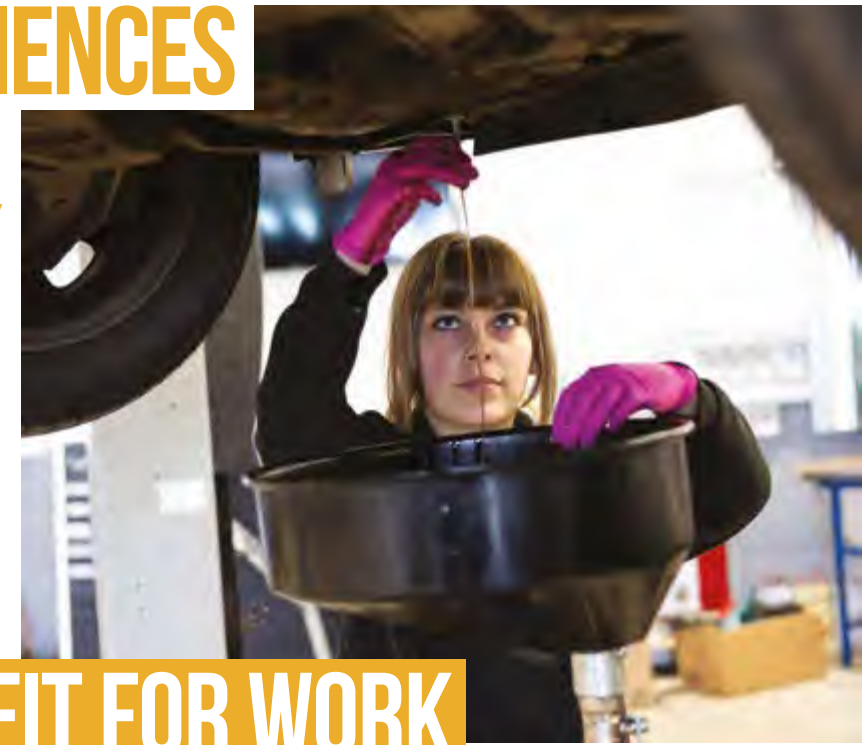
GAIN REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE AND INDUSTRY INSIGHTS

SKILLS FOR YOUR FUTURE

The Automotive Department works closely with GCSE and Functional Skills staff to ensure you will gain the vital core skills needed to succeed in your chosen career. Our learners successfully progress into further learning, apprenticeships and employment.

IMMERSIVE AUTOMOTIVE EXPERIENCES

A multi-million pound investment into electric vehicles to meet industry needs has allowed the department to create truly state-of-the-art facilities that lead the industry. You will also have access to highly equipped workshops and EV Labs, allowing for learning to progress from desktop training modules to state-of-the-art training rigs with in-built faults, before progressing onto live vehicles.



FIT FOR WORK

The motor industry often requires physical work. Free gym access and bespoke fitness for work programmes from the ENRICHment team will improve employment prospects.



“The state of the art facilities and high quality teaching will ensure your experience with us is immensely enjoyable and also equips you with the knowledge, skills and behaviours you need to thrive in this rapidly changing industry.”

David Izzard Head of Faculty

COURSES



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AUTOMOTIVE MAINTENANCE LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

The role of a car mechanic is to maintain and repair cars and vans to ensure that they are safe to be on our roads. This course is your first step to becoming a Service Vehicle Technician, capable of fixing a wide variety of automotive faults.

● Why choose this course?

This course is an introduction to a career as a car mechanic. You will gain an understanding of the motor industry and have an opportunity to apply vehicle maintenance and repair skills in a practical and realistic way. You will follow a programme of study that enables progression to further courses and employment within the motor industry. You will gain confidence by developing independent learning skills and will learn how vehicle maintenance and repair activities are carried out safely; you will also learn how important the role of a mechanic is to keeping so many different parts of the country operating smoothly.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of this course, you could gain employment as an Apprentice, or progress onto the Level 2 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair, which requires a further year of study. Further study will enable you to work towards more roles within the industry such as: Diagnostic Vehicle Technician, Breakdown and Recovery, Mobile Mechanic, Workshop Supervisor or even Garage Owner.

LIGHT VEHICLE MAINTENANCE & REPAIR LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

This course will provide you with the right training to develop your skills, ultimately equipping you for a career in vehicle maintenance and repairs.

● Why choose this course?

This course is the next step after the Level 1 course in Automotive Maintenance, in progression to developing a career as a car mechanic. You will expand your understanding of the motor industry and have an opportunity to apply more complex vehicle maintenance and repair skills in a practical and realistic way. You will follow a rigorous programme of study that enables progression to further courses and employment within the motor industry. You will gain confidence by developing independent learning skills and will learn how more in-depth vehicle maintenance and repair activities are carried out safely.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of this course, you could gain employment as a Level 3 Apprentice. There are many opportunities for skilled vehicle technicians in the motor industry, working for large and small companies or in self-employment.

LIGHT VEHICLE MAINTENANCE & REPAIR LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

The Level 3 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance & Repair is for any age of student that wishes to study Automotive Engineering, specifically light vehicle fault diagnosis. The course will be delivered on a full-time basis, with a mixture of theory and practical.

● Why choose this course?

This Diploma prepares you for employment as a diagnostic technician in the fast paced and ever evolving world of the automotive industry. This course is split 60:40, classroom-based theory and workshop-based skills development and assessments. This course is for learners wanting to improve diagnostic ability and independent thinking in order to identify and rectify vehicle faults. This course is highly regarded amongst the UK automotive industry. We have incredible training resources here at Truro and Penwith College, enabling you to learn on some of the most up-to-date and cutting-edge equipment, fully preparing you for your career in the automotive industry.

● Where will it take me?

Upon completion of this course, you'll be a qualified light vehicle Diagnostic Technician. You will have expanded your skills and have improved confidence and opportunity to progress into the industry and build on your career. Alternatively, you could continue your studies at university level, or progress onto an Apprenticeship.



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auto-engineering](http://truro-penwith.ac.uk/auto-engineering)

“The social environment is what made my College experience. I get along well with my classmates, have fun during the day, and still manage to learn a lot. It's a pleasant and supportive environment to be in.”

FINN studied the Level 3 Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance & Repair.

Having completed his studies, Finn is now working full-time for Hyundai UK as a Master Technician fulfilling his career aspirations.

**GET AHEAD
IN YOUR CAREER
LIKE FINN**

APPRENTICESHIPS

AUTO-CARE TECHNICIAN LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO PENWITH

An Auto-care Technician carries out a range of services and repairs to cars, car derived vans and light goods vehicles, working in an Auto-care or 'Fast-Fit' Centre, which may be part of a national chain or operated by a regional/local independent group/owner.

● **Why choose this course?**
An Auto-care Technician requires a unique combination of technical, retail and customer service skills. They will use a range of tools, measuring and diagnostic equipment to identify and repair simple system faults. The Auto-care Technician must demonstrate expertise, not only in the technical elements of their role and have a good grasp of the practical and theoretical aspects of the vehicle systems they service, but also needs to have excellent telephone, customer handling and effective sales skills, as well as strong problem-solving and self-organisation skills. They must be able to work as part of a team but also operate independently, understand how their centre operates from a commercial perspective and how their actions contribute to business results, whilst maintaining a high standard of workmanship.

● **Where will it take me?**
This Level 2 Apprenticeship will suit individuals who are starting a role within a motor vehicle environment, offering a practical approach and a solid platform for anyone wishing to develop in this career path.

MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE & MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO PENWITH

This course supports learners to start their career as an Apprentice Mechanic. You will gain an understanding of the Automotive industry and have an opportunity to apply vehicle repair and maintenance skills in a practical and realistic way.

● **Why choose this course?**
You will find this course offers the perfect start to a quality career in the motor trade. Motor Vehicle Service and Maintenance Technicians maintain and repair light vehicles such as cars and vans, and work either in dealerships that focus on a particular manufacturer, or in an independent garage that deals with many different makes of vehicles. A Technician will work on all systems found within the vehicle. The day-to-day work ranges from replacing simple parts through to solving complex faults with the use of diagnostic methods and equipment.

● **Where will it take me?**
After your Apprenticeship, you can continue in your career as a motor vehicle technician.

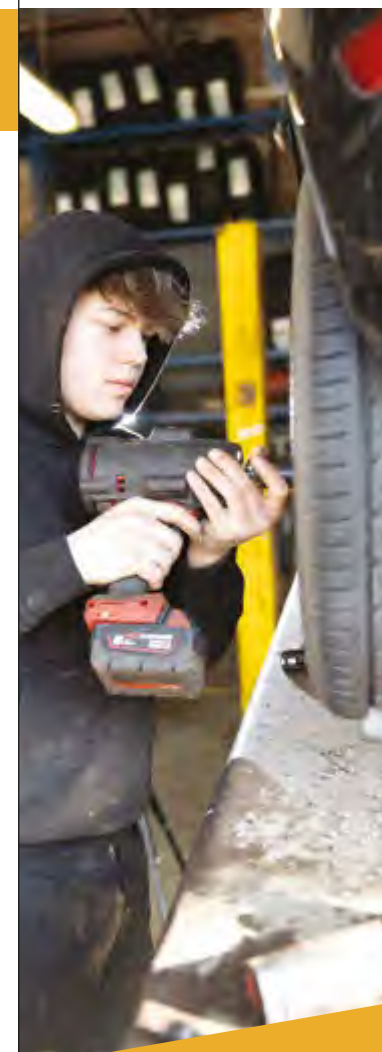


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BUSINESS & LAW



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Advertising
- Accountancy
- Administration
- Banking
- Event Management
- Law
- Marketing
- Management Consultancy
- Project Management
- Public Relations
- Recruitment & HR
- Retail Management
- Sales
- Travel & Tourism

GO FURTHER IN THE COMMERCIAL WORLD



Many careers require commercial awareness and business sense. You will develop an understanding of the knowledge, skills and resources that are required for success in the commercial world, learning practical skills that are transferable to any industry.

Exploring the global world of business, past students have visited Brussels, Barcelona, Paris and New York. Accounting, Economics and Business Studies will give you a valuable grounding into the concepts and skills used within the business world.

Your exploration of law and the justice system will develop analytical skills and the ability to interpret and evaluate problems. Specific progression advice will be available to you if you are seeking to continue your studies in law and past students have successfully progressed to prestigious law schools at competitive universities.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Crane & Johnston
- Robertson Developments
- Alverton Accountants
- Rize Worldwide
- Peloton
- DL Accounts
- Kernow Learning
- Penventon Hotel
- RRL
- Kernow Accountancy
- Hendra Holiday Park
- St. Petrocs
- PKF Francis Clark
- Walker Moyle Accountants
- Carlyon Bay Hotel
- Man Down Cornwall CIC
- Elemental UK

INDUSTRY EXPERTS

Lecturing staff come with a wealth of industry-based experience. Employability and the skills needed for progression to higher education and employment are a key focus for the programme area.

You will have the opportunity to participate in residential and day trips, local industry visits, weekly workshops and gain valuable insights from guest speakers. Speakers include barristers, accountants, judges, charity founders, police officers and economists. Work placements are also used extensively.

EXCEL WITH US

100% of our students completing the Level 3 Extended Diplomas in Business and Travel & Tourism passed, with 33% and 45.5% respectively achieving the top grades of Triple Distinction and Triple Distinction Star.

HIGH PROGRESSION INTO BUSINESS-RELATED EMPLOYMENT OR DEGREE COURSES

Students can progress from Level 2 to Level 6 qualifications through a planned range of School Leaver, University Centre and professional courses at the College. Past learners have also progressed to the prestigious Oxbridge and Russell Group Universities and gained sought-after Apprenticeship training and employment.



TRAVEL

Join your classmates on an exciting range of trips including London, New York, Berlin, and Italy. Our Travel and Tourism students have even embarked on a P&O cruise to the Canaries and Portugal.



Business courses are great as they are wide ranging and encompass a variety of transferable skills - Marketing, PR, Finance, Accountancy and Law.

Jacqui Hanton Head of Faculty

ACADEMIES



LAW ACADEMY

TRURO PENWITH

● Why choose this academy?

The Law Academy will provide an invaluable insight into the practical aspects of the profession and provide an excellent boost to your CV or university application.

● What can I expect?

The Law Academy provides you with opportunities to extend your legal knowledge and develop a multitude of skills. It centres on the preparation of fictional cases for the prestigious National Bar Mock Trial Competition. If successful, at the regional competition, you can follow in the footsteps of previous Truro College students and progress to the national finals. The Academy is a fantastic platform to enhance employability by improving legal knowledge, refining legal skills and building confidence.

COURSES

ACCOUNTING A LEVEL

TRURO

This course helps to develop numerical, analytical, and problem-solving skills to support future career goals. The course is varied including both financial and management accounting content to give you insightful knowledge and skills relevant to the world of financial management.

● Why choose this course?

You will enhance your financial and problem-solving skills and develop an understanding of how to prepare accounts for different types of organisations, from sole traders to partnerships and limited companies. You will be able to evaluate the performance of a business to make informed investment decisions. Additionally, you will develop your analytical and evaluative skills through extended written responses and essay answers to show further depth of subject knowledge. A Level Accounting particularly complements subjects such as Business Studies and Economics and is also a popular choice for the more mathematically or logically minded students.

● Where will it take me?

Many students progress directly from their A Level programme to a variety of Accounting and Finance based degree programmes. There are opportunities to further enhance your employability skills through virtual placements offered by a range of institutions including PwC and ICAEW. Students could gain an AAT Apprenticeship after their A Level studies and potentially progress from this to become a fully qualified accountant.

BUSINESS STUDIES A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

A sound understanding of key business concepts are important to anyone aspiring to a career in business management. This course will help you gain a good understanding of the processes and practices a business must undertake to make key business decisions.

● Why choose this course?

Whether it is setting up your own small business or working for a global multinational, many of the key areas of understanding and useful skills are introduced within the A Level Business Studies course. You will be provided with a valuable insight into the world of business, learn why organisations make the decisions that they do and how this impacts upon markets and individuals. The course will also help you develop numerical and literacy skills in an applied setting through class work and assessments. Perhaps most importantly the course will require you to reflect upon the commercial environment around you and understand how it impacts on your daily life.

● Where will it take me?

Many universities highly value the qualification and it can also be a stepping stone to related topics such as Management and Administration, Economics, Marketing, and Accountancy. Business Studies is a subject that is very relevant to most jobs today, and the concepts learned will assist you within the commercial world.



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ECONOMICS A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

A wide-ranging subject, highly regarded by employers and universities which relates to real-life situations and complements other subjects. You will study micro and macro economic issues affecting the world around us, learning to apply economic theories and understand key interrelationships.

● Why choose this course?

Want to know what caused the global financial crisis? Interested in how governments use economic policy to respond to climate change? Shocked by the impact of COVID 19? Then consider studying the Economics A Level. Economics encompasses every aspect of our lives, linking historical economic events to current and future problems. It develops an understanding of the world around us that is as valuable as it is interesting. Whether it is solving global inequality and poverty or considering how fiscal and monetary policy can stimulate economic growth, the subject looks to embrace real world issues. Economics has connections to many other subjects such as Politics, Geography, History, Business, Psychology and Statistics and is highly valued by universities.

● Where will it take me?

You could progress on to study a wide range of university courses such as Economics, PPE (Philosophy, Politics and Economics), Politics and International Development. Employers value Economics graduates for their analytical way of thinking and problem-solving skills.



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“The College has a great relationship with so many local and national organisations and this is a great way to get a head-start on a competitive profession. I feel so lucky to have been taught by expert lectures who are so knowledgeable and kind, who genuinely love both the subject and teaching.”



EMILY studied Law, English Literature and Psychology A Levels.

Emily praises the support she received from her lecturers during her time at College and credits their advice and guidance to her success.

Emily went on to study Law with Forensic Psychology at University where she graduated as the Best Law Student of the 2022 class. She is now a fully qualified Barrister with the Crown Prosecution Service, thanks to the help of Truro College which encouraged her to go further.

**BE AMBITIOUS
LIKE EMILY**

COURSES

LAW A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

Law is an academic subject, and the syllabus concentrates on the way in which the English Legal System works. Contemporary and thought-provoking, Law is highly regarded by employers and universities which relates to real-life situations and complements many other subjects well.

● **Why choose this course?**
Should suspected terrorists have rights? Should euthanasia be legalised? Can you really get away with murder? Can we trust our judiciary? Does 'life' really mean life? Are sentences too soft? If these are the kind of questions that interest you, then studying law can give you the answers. As well as providing an invaluable base to study at university, A Level Law will equip you with excellent analytical and evaluation skills which will be fully transferrable to other disciplines.

● **Where will it take me?**
Highly valued by many employers, studying Law could lead to a career in the legal profession as a Barrister, Solicitor, Legal Executive or Paralegal. Other career options include working within the commercial sector, business and finance, social welfare or politics. University courses in Law, Criminology, Business, Humanities, and Social Sciences are a common choice for our students once they have completed their studies.

MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION T LEVEL

TRURO

An exciting new opportunity to study a programme that has been developed in collaboration with leading employers to provide you with the breadth of knowledge, skills and invaluable work experience to go on to pursue a successful management career.

● **Why choose this course?**
If you are an aspiring future leader who is keen to have operational or project management responsibilities and looking to lead a team to achieve your business goals then this is an exciting new course to help you pursue such a career. It will give you the opportunity to develop both your academic and employability skills. Throughout the course, you will have opportunity to develop your business skills in the workplace and use this experience in your assessed work. The course will enable you to develop vital business skills to be successful in the fast moving, dynamic and exciting business environment. Ultimately, the course will potentially lead you onto skilled employment, university or a higher Apprenticeship.

● **Where will it take me?**
The qualification focuses on developing the knowledge and skills needed to work in a supervisory/management style role, preparing you to enter employment or progression on to an Apprenticeship. Students will be able to progress down a number of different routes including employment.

Find your course and apply online

BUSINESS MARKETING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

PENWITH

Marketing is essential to the success of all businesses in the UK, whether they are making products or offering services. The roles within marketing are varied and include the process of researching initial product and service concepts through to their development, advertising, and digital marketing and sales, including relationship management of customers.

● **Why choose this course?**
This qualification has been developed in consultation with employers in marketing to ensure that you learn the skills and behaviours that will give you the best opportunity to be successful when applying for work. All the content relates directly to the skills, knowledge and behaviours expected by employers in marketing.

● **Where will it take me?**
The Level 2 will prepare you to take the next steps on your journey, providing you with a sound basis to progress further in marketing to a Level 3 qualification or an Apprenticeship. Career options may include; Digital Sales Assistant, Marketing and Branding Assistant, Marketing and Communications Assistant, Sales Agent and Sales Associate.

COURSES

BUSINESS / TRAVEL & TOURISM LEVEL 2 FIRST CERTIFICATE

TRURO

If you want to find out more about starting your own business, working in the dynamic world of business, making your ideas happen, as well as preparing yourself for your future career by having a year in work placement and learning how to lead a team, this course is for you.

● Why choose this course?

This course will develop a wide range of transferrable skills that support progression into university or employment. Choosing to study the Progression 2 Business/Travel qualifications is a great decision for lots of reasons, particularly considering the nature of employment within Cornwall. The qualification will prepare you for many different careers by equipping you with organisational skills, marketing knowledge, the ability to present your ideas clearly and important financial skills. The Progression 2 Business programme includes the Level 2 Certificate in Business, GCSE English and Maths where applicable to achieve grade 4 or higher, the OCN Work Skills qualification and a Level 2 qualification in Social Psychology.

● Where will it take me?

The qualification will allow you to progress onto further study at Truro College (a more specialist Level 3 Diploma in Business or Travel and Tourism, for example), or enter into employment/Apprenticeships.

BUSINESS LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

PENWITH

Want to start your own business? Learn how to make your ideas happen in today's dynamic business environment? Understand how functional areas can support your success? Start developing your career in this sector by joining our Diploma in Business.

● Why choose this course?

Directed at marketeers, accountants, human resource specialists, lawyers, managers, and entrepreneurs of the future; the course is as diverse as the subject area and really does have something for everyone. If you have ever wondered how a business operates in an ever-changing environment, then the Diploma in Business is the course for you. It will provide you with an understanding of how marketing, accounting, economics, law, and technology impact upon the decision-making process and how, through the management of these, a business entrepreneur can become truly successful. Throughout the course, you will be encouraged to develop your knowledge of management techniques; taking charge of running several different business events to translate the theory into practice.

● Where will it take me?

Business is such a diverse subject that there are a wide number of progression routes available, ranging from studying the subject further in Higher Education, securing an Apprenticeship, or even starting your own business.



PROGRESS WITH US AT OUR UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- FdA Business
- FdSc Law with Business
- FdSc Law with Criminology & Criminal Justice
- LLB (Hons) Law (top-up)
- BA (Hons) Business, Enterprise & Leadership (top-up)



“As soon as I came to the open events, I knew that I wanted to do study A levels and which ones I wanted to do. By doing A Level Economics, I was so prepared for university because I was ahead of everyone else.”

HENRY studied Economics, Business and Mathematics A Levels.

After excelling in his A Levels, where his interest in Economics first sparked, Henry pursued his passion at UWE Bristol University, graduating with a First-Class Honours degree in Economics. He went on to gain a TEFL qualification and now works primarily with young people, sharing his expertise of the field.

Henry now aspires to teach internationally, with plans to travel to Australia to further his work as a Business and Economics tutor.

**SPARK
YOUR
PASSION**

**LIKE
HENRY**



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UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Law - Bath Spa University
Accounting and Finance - Bristol, UWE
International Business - Bristol, UWE
Business Management - Cardiff University
Business & Digital Marketing - Falmouth University
International Relations - King's College London
Accounting and Financial Management - Loughborough University
Business Management with Fashion - Ravensbourne University
Economics and Management - Royal Holloway
Law with Criminology and Criminal Justice - University Centre
Truro and Penwith

COURSES

TRAVEL & TOURISM LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

Develop enterprise skills while learning about the world's fastest growing industry. Studying Travel & Tourism will prepare you for university or for a diverse career working for tour operators, airlines, visitor attractions, festival & events, accommodation, or travel agents.

● Why choose this course?

The course will develop a wide range of transferable skills that supports progression to university or employment. Studying Travel & Tourism will provide an understanding of key business concepts including marketing, finance, human resources, market research and customer service. The course provides an insight into the world of work in the UK and overseas including roles within tour operations, the cruise industry, the hospitality sector; including hotels ranging from budget to luxury, as well as restaurants, coffee shops and bars; tourist attractions, from purpose-built theme parks to historic houses; and the transport sector, including working at airports, and for airlines as cabin crew.

● Where will it take me?

A qualification in Travel & Tourism is highly valued by universities and employers alike. Students going on to higher education often move into specific areas of the industry, such as Cruise Management, Marketing or Events Management, as well as Travel & Tourism Management.

APPRENTICESHIPS

ACCOUNTS / FINANCE ASSISTANT LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

Kickstart your career in finance with hands-on experience and essential skills in accounting, making you an invaluable asset to any business!

● Why choose this course?

This apprenticeship will equip you with essential skills in financial processes, including bookkeeping, preparing financial statements, and managing accounts. This programme is designed to develop proficiency in using accounting software, understanding tax processes, and supporting business operations. You will gain practical experience and theoretical knowledge, ensuring you are well-prepared for a career in accounting. Employers benefit from having skilled professionals who can contribute to the financial health of their organisations. This apprenticeship is ideal for those looking to start a rewarding career in finance and accounting.

● Where will it take me?

Completing the Assistant Accountant Apprenticeship opens up numerous career opportunities in the accounting and finance sector. Apprentices can progress to roles such as Assistant Management Accountant, Financial Analyst, or Audit Trainee.

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

SHSC

This Level 3 Apprenticeship is suitable for people who work in administrative support roles and want to learn and further develop their administrative and supervisory skills.

● Why choose this course?

This Apprenticeship will support you in starting your career as a where you will apply business processes across an organisation and have highly transferable knowledge, skills and behaviours. Your skills will be required in all small and large businesses across the public, private and charitable sectors. The Apprenticeship gives a firm grounding of organisational operations and functional processes, as well as an understanding of the wider working environment. The role may involve working independently or as part of a team and will involve developing, implementing, maintaining and improving administrative services. Business Administrators develop key skills and behaviours to support their own progression towards management responsibilities.

● Where will it take me?

You could progress onto various Apprenticeships including; Assistant Accountant, Team Leader/Supervisor, Learning Mentor or Improvement Technician.

MARKETING ASSISTANT LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

SHSC

A thorough introduction to traditional and digital marketing that will give Apprentices the experience they need to get started in the industry.

● Why choose this course?

Recognised by the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM), the Level 3 Marketing Assistant Apprenticeship gives you a thorough grounding in digital and traditional marketing. The programme provides both a well-recognised qualification and the experience needed to succeed in roles such as Marketing Assistant, Marketing Coordinator or Social Media Manager. Taught by the College's industry-expert tutors, with current experience in the sector. As a Level 3 Marketing Assistant Apprentice, you will gain the knowledge, competence and confidence to contribute to the marketing activities of the business you will work for, making a real difference to business success and developing your own skills along the way.

● Where will it take me?

After your Apprenticeship, you can continue your career in Marketing. The College offers a number of accredited and non-accredited management and marketing courses to help you progress in your career.

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COMPUTING & IT

PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Programming
- Software Development
- Systems Analysis
- Networking Engineering
- Cyber Security
- Robotics
- Games Design & Development
- Web Development
- Artificial Intelligence
- Database Administration
- Information Science
- IT Consultancy
- IT Technical Support
- Telecommunications

GO FURTHER WITH CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGY

With an enjoyment of problem solving, you will be keen to develop your analytical skills. To enjoy success in the world of computing and IT, you will add to your technical skills with teamwork and communication.

You will have many opportunities to enrich your learning experience with fellow Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) students. You could also test your skills against other students across the country and compete in the British Informatics Olympiad.

You will benefit from a highly experienced, supportive team and excellent links with local industry professionals. You will flourish in a challenging environment and can explore your interest in specialist technology fields. Past students have produced excellent work, leading to top university and employer opportunities.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- NHS
- HiYield
- Hi9
- Bluefruit
- Cornwall Council
- Headforwards
- Software Cornwall
- Hertzian
- GCHQ

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DESIGN
COURSE** ON
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REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE

Employer involvement is a key feature of many courses, with initiatives like the Mission to Mars Project giving computing you hands-on experience in software development. This project, along with other employer-led activities such as the GCHQ intrusion detection workshop, will help you sharpen your problem-solving skills and gain insights into industry practices.

INDUSTRY LINKS

You will benefit from strong collaborations with local and regional industries, as well as higher education institutions like Hertzian, GCHQ Bude, Software Cornwall and the University of Plymouth. These partnerships provide access to valuable work experience, industry talks, and employer-led workshops.

TURN YOUR PASSION FOR TECHNOLOGY INTO A DYNAMIC CAREER

In addition to our range of courses, we offer a enrichment programme which includes the Academic and Accelerate Academies for gifted and talented students. These initiatives will provide you with additional opportunities to supplement your studies and prepare for higher education.

EXCEL WITH US

Our proven track record for outstanding student results with high levels of learners achieving A* to B grades on A Levels will see you successfully progress in your chosen field. 90% of our students studying T Level Digital Production Design and Development achieved an overall Merit or higher, compared to 49.2% nationally.



Students develop skills in a wide range of theoretical and practical subjects, allowing progression into multiple career paths.

Naomi Johns-Dyer
Head of Faculty



COURSES

COMPUTER SCIENCE A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

If you enjoy learning about the fundamental principles and concepts behind computing and how software is engineered, then Computer Science will stretch and challenge you, helping you to think creatively, analytically, logically and to apply practical mathematical skills.

● Why choose this course?

The basis of this course is computation, both in theory and practice. Computer Science is an academic subject that requires you to be systematic and logical, and so often lends itself to the more technically minded student. The course will provide you with valuable skills in how we use programming languages and how digital technology is used. The many career possibilities that are available to you with Computer Science include system analysis, computer programming and many more. Previous students now work around the world for companies ranging from Google to local businesses working with robotics and embedded systems.

● Where will it take me?

Computer Science complements many courses, such as Physics, Electronics, Mathematics, Technology-related courses and other sciences. It could lead to a degree course in Computer Science, Networking, Cyber Security or Robotics. Computer Science can open up employment routes into Engineering, Science or to be a Programmer or Software Engineer.

DIGITAL PRODUCTION, DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT - PROGRAMMING & SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT T LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH SHSC

If your passion is programming, then this T Level is perfect for you. The course provides an inspiring curriculum that will offer you the academic knowledge and occupational competency required for a rewarding and exciting career in Software Development.

● Why choose this course?

This course has been developed in collaboration with employers and business to ensure that the content is relevant and meets industry standards. Building on your existing knowledge, this course will stretch and challenge your IT abilities, preparing you for work in the IT sector. With a specific focus on software design and development, you will spend a large amount of time programming and undertaking a variety of projects, learning both theoretical and practical elements of project management. Your lecturers will be specialists in their field who will teach you through a variety of demonstrations, lectures and by helping you undertake a variety of practical tasks.

● Where will it take me?

This course is intended for students who want to progress to a career in the digital sector, with a focus on software design and development.



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DIGITAL SUPPORT & SERVICES - NETWORKING & CYBER SECURITY T LEVEL

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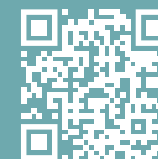
If you have an interest in networking and cyber security, then this T Level is an exciting course that gives you the academic knowledge as well as industrial capability needed for a fulfilling career in the digital sector.

● Why choose this course?

This course is intended for students who want to progress to a career in the digital sector, with a focus on support services, whether that be digital infrastructure, network cabling or digital support. Lessons take place in specialist IT rooms with networked PCs. Your lecturers will be experts who will teach you through lectures as well as demonstrations, and by helping you undertake a wide range of tasks. You will have access to hardware and networking lab facilities for the practical parts of the course.

● Where will it take me?

Upon completion of this course, you will have the knowledge and skills needed to progress into highly skilled employment, an Apprenticeship or higher-level study, including university.



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DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Cyber Security - Bath Spa University
Cyber Security Management - Bournemouth University
Cyber Security and Digital Forensics - Bristol, UWE
Computer Science - Cardiff University
Computing for Games - Falmouth University
Cyber Security (HTQ) - University Centre Truro and Penwith
Software Engineering - University of Brighton
Chemistry with Computing - University of Bristol
Computer Science & Games - University of Brighton
Artificial Intelligence & Data Science - University of Derby

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COURSES



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INFORMATION & CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY LEVEL 2 FIRST AWARD

TRURO

PENWITH

Do you enjoy learning about computers? Would you like to design your own computer game? If so, then the Level 2 award in ICT will be of great interest to you. This course will stretch and challenge your IT skills.

● Why choose this course?

This course is a great fit for students who would like to progress further in ICT with content streamlined to help with progression onto the Level 3 equivalent. Lessons take place in specialist IT rooms with networked PCs. Your lecturers will be specialists in their field who will teach you through a variety of demonstrations, lectures and by helping you undertake a variety of practical tasks. You will have access to hardware and networking lab facilities for the practical parts of the course.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of this course, you will have a comprehensive understanding of Modern Information Technology. You will be well prepared to progress on the level 3 Extended Diploma in Information Technology or enter the workplace as an IT professional. You could also become an IT Apprentice, and earn while you learn.

IT - COMPUTING & GAMES LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

This dynamic course allows you to study a broad computing curriculum, including games design, cyber security, and programming. Perfect for students who are unsure which area of computing they wish to pursue a career in, but who are confident it will be in a computing discipline.

● Why choose this course?

If you enjoy learning about Computers and Information Technology, then the Extended National Diploma in Information Technology will be of great interest to you. This new course has been completely revamped to cover the very latest subjects in Information Technology. Building on your existing knowledge this course will stretch and challenge your IT knowledge and skills. Lessons take place in specialist IT rooms with networked PCs.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of this course, you will have a comprehensive understanding of modern Information Technology. You will be well prepared to enter the work place as an IT professional or to go on and study an IT degree at university, or become an Apprentice.

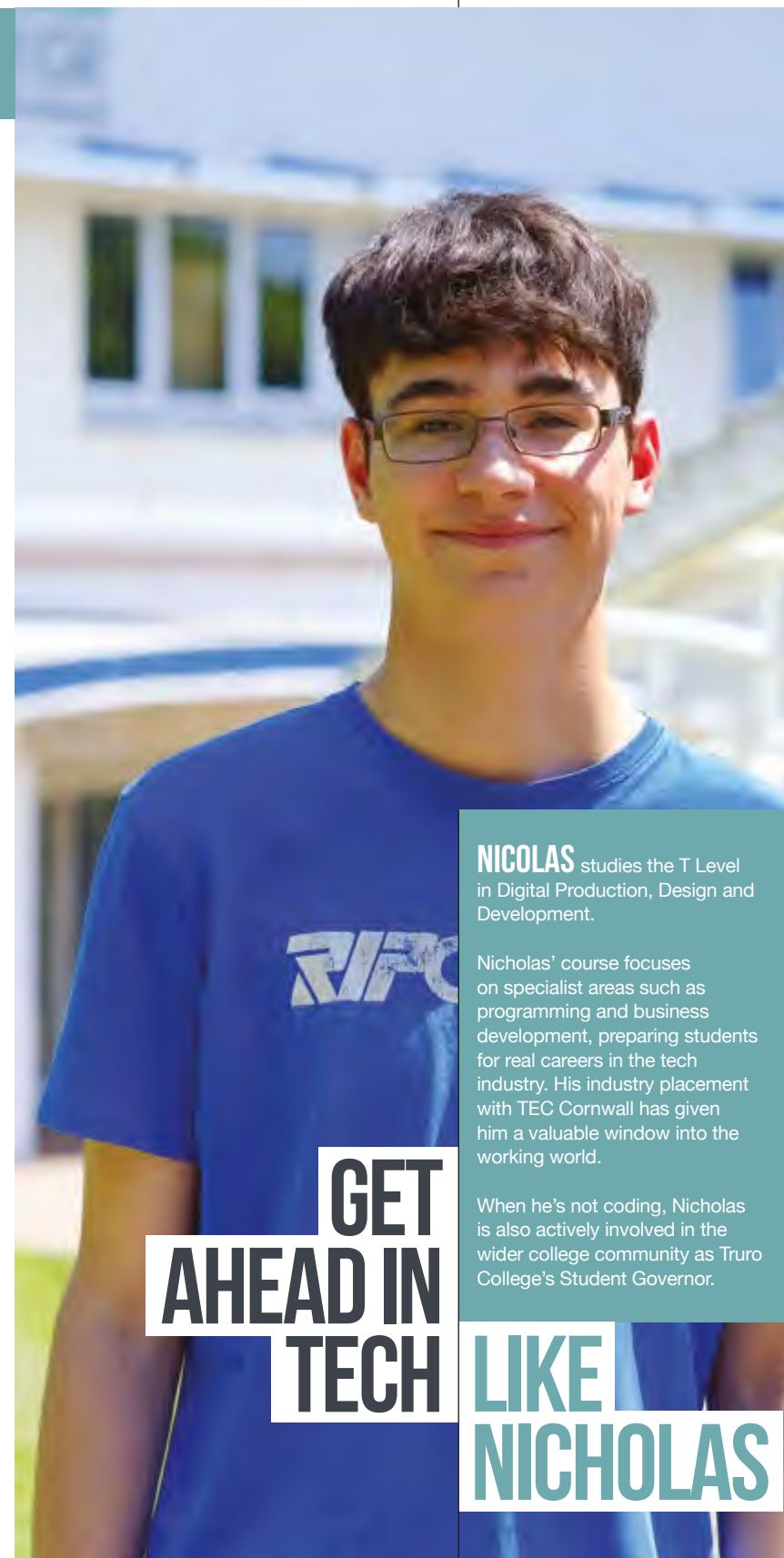
Please note that this qualification may be subject to change for 2026.

Also see our Level 3 Diploma in Games Design available at Penwith College on page 161.



PROGRESS WITH US AT OUR UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- HNC/FdSc Cyber Security
- FdSc Computing Technologies
- FdEng Software Engineering
- BSc (Hons) Applied Computing Technologies



NICOLAS studies the T Level in Digital Production, Design and Development.

Nicholas' course focuses on specialist areas such as programming and business development, preparing students for real careers in the tech industry. His industry placement with TEC Cornwall has given him a valuable window into the working world.

When he's not coding, Nicholas is also actively involved in the wider college community as Truro College's Student Governor.

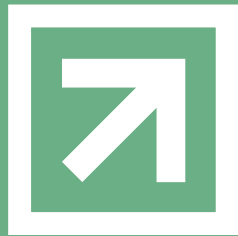
GET
AHEAD IN
TECH

LIKE
NICHOLAS

“ I really enjoy the freedom the course gives me. We're encouraged to present our work to each other, which builds our confidence in ways that more traditional courses might not. **Everyone on my course shares the same enthusiasm, which makes it such a positive environment to be in.** ”

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CONSTRUCTION



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Bench Joinery
- Bricklaying
- Plastering
- Site Carpentry
- Site Management
- Surveying
- Building Site Inspection
- Tiling
- Maintenance Operations
- Architecture
- Facilities Management
- Property Development

GO FURTHER IN THE CONSTRUCTION TRADES

You will learn essential industry skills within our first-class, fully-equipped, realistic working environments including the brand-new Renewables Skills Centre.

Purpose-built learning spaces provide the resources to develop the knowledge needed for a successful career. With hard work and dedication, you can gain skills, security, satisfaction and a stable future with qualifications in craft and trade areas.

There are acute shortages in skilled tradespeople both locally and nationally. Cornwall has a thriving construction industry driven by the demand for housing and infrastructure. The local skills gap of 6,800 construction workers in Devon and Cornwall mean career opportunities are high.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- GPH Carpentry Limited
- Coastline Housing
- ER Jenkin & Sons Ltd
- Corbey Construction
- A Bray General Builder Ltd
- Pendragon Builders Ltd
- Persimmon Homes
- A & P Williams Plastering Ltd
- KPK Builders & Developers Ltd
- Cathedral Builders
- Wainhomes
- Cornwall Brickwork Services
- Building For Humanity C.I.C.
- MS Plastering Southwest
- CG Fry & Son Ltd

SKILLS FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Our brand-new, £1.7 million Renewables Skills Centre ensures future-focussed renewable, retrofit and sustainable practises are embedded in the curriculum.

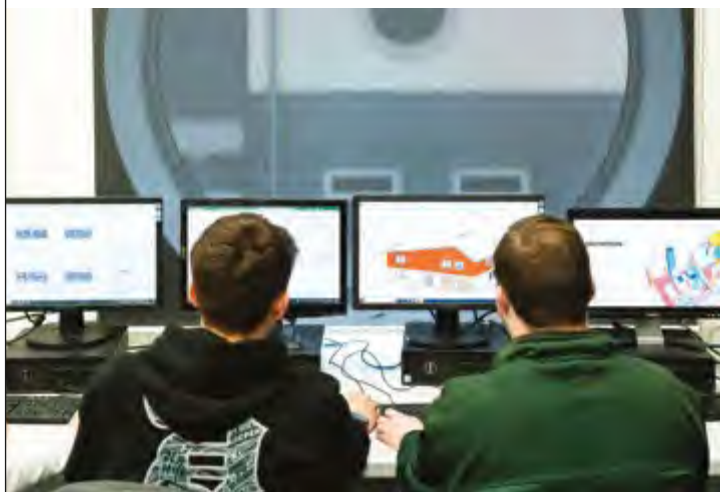
The new teaching spaces increase our capacity further and create a future-proof, state-of-the-art facility to meet the current and future needs of Cornwall's Construction industry.

QUALIFICATIONS ARE INDUSTRY-LED

As the industry evolves, so does the content of our courses.

INDUSTRY EXPERTS

Team members are industry experts within their trades who have all come from industry with the highest levels of trade experience, skills, and qualifications. Our continued commitment to lifelong learning ensures staff are training in the latest industry standards.



NEW INVESTMENT CONTINUES TO EXPAND OUR FACILITIES

Benefit from constantly improving teaching facilities with modern, well-equipped workshops and highly professional machinery including state-of-the-art surveying and geospatial equipment.



ENGAGE

Engage with the industry through trips, visits, guest speakers, competitions and work experience all designed to develop your employability skills.



Undertaking one of our construction courses will help you develop the skills and experience to access employment in a well paid trade area locally, nationally or internationally.

David Izzard Head of Faculty

COURSES



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DESIGN, SURVEYING & PLANNING T LEVEL

TRURO

If you have an interest in technical construction or civil engineering, this T Level might be the right course for you. T Levels offer a mixture of classroom learning and on-the-job' experience during an industry placement of at least 315 hours (approximately 45 days).

● Why choose this course?

The T Level is a unique and exciting qualification, with its balance of classroom-based activity and industry placement time. Due to the qualification design being assisted by a panel of the largest construction companies in the UK, it provides meaningful content to support the needs of the industry as well as addressing the current skills gap. They will provide the knowledge and experience needed to open the door into skilled employment, further study or a Higher Apprenticeship. Upon completion of your T Level, you will receive an overall grade of Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction-Star. You will receive a nationally recognised certificate which will show your overall grade and a breakdown of what you have achieved.

● Where will it take me?

This T Level offers a very diverse range of employment opportunities, including careers as a Technical Surveyor, Building Technician, Architectural Technician, Land Surveyor, Quantity Surveyor and Site Manager.

BRICKLAYING LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

TRURO

The role of the Bricklayer is to lay bricks, blocks and stone accurately and consistently to architect specifications. They work inside and outside of properties, building and repairing walls as well as specialist brickwork such as chimneys and fireplaces.

● Why choose this course?

This course is the first step to a career as a bricklayer. You will gain an understanding of the construction industry and have an opportunity to apply learning in a practical and realistic way. This course follows a programme of study that enables progression to further courses such as the Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying and employment within the construction industry. You will develop independent learning skills and learn how craft activities are carried out safely, and how they contribute to our built environment. You will be taught practical skills in our first-class workshops as well as gaining knowledge of how the construction industry operates in our well-equipped classrooms and computer suites.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to progress onto a Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying which requires a further year of study. Alternatively, you could progress onto an Apprenticeship.

CARPENTRY & JOINERY LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

TRURO

PENWITH

Carpenters and Joiners accurately and consistently work with timber and timber-based products to construct carpentry and joinery products and projects. The job role requires accuracy and attention to detail whilst producing work to industrial standards.

● Why choose this course?

If you want to move towards a career as a Carpenter and Joiner, this is the course for you. You will increase your knowledge of the construction industry and have the chance to apply Carpentry and Joinery skills realistically. By taking this Level 1 course, you will be in a great position to progress to further courses such as a Level 2 Diploma in Site Carpentry or employment within the Site Carpentry industry. You will learn about health and safety and how Carpentry and Joinery contributes to our built environment, and you will be taught in excellent workshops, IT suites and classrooms; gaining knowledge of how the construction industry and other trades work together and operate.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to progress onto a Carpentry and Joinery Level 2 Diploma or onto an Apprenticeship in Carpentry and Joinery.

PAINTING & DECORATING LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

PENWITH

The role of the Painter and Decorator is to prepare and internally/externally paint and decorate buildings and structures to architect specifications and industrial standards accurately and consistently. They work inside and outside of buildings repairing and preparing surfaces for decoration and re decoration.

● Why choose this course?

This course will allow you to start your career as a Painter and Decorator. You will improve your understanding of the industry and be able to apply Painting and Decorating skills in a practical way. Following a programme of study that assists progression to further courses, this course can help you gain employment within the construction industry. You will build on your confidence by developing individual learning skills and will take a look at how Painting and Decorating activities are carried out safely and how they contribute to our built environment.

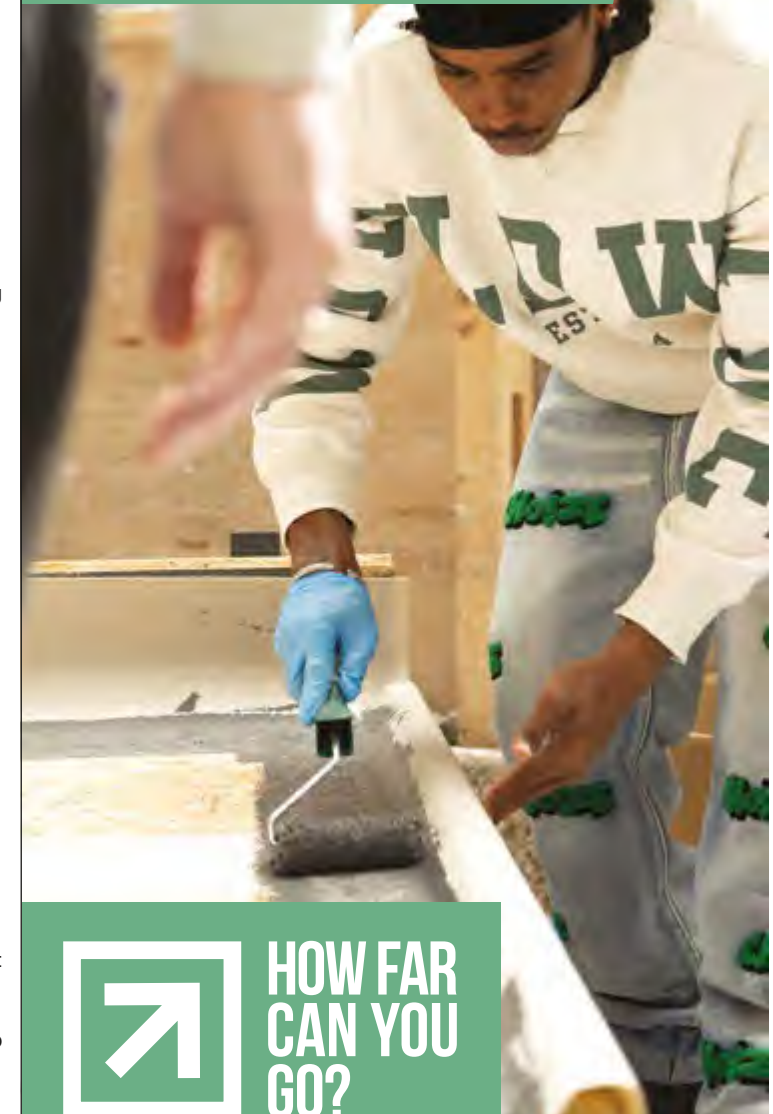
● Where will it take me?

Progression routes on completion of this course include advancement onto the Level 2 Diploma in Painting & Decorating or progression onto an Apprenticeship and/or employment within the construction industry.



SEE MORE COURSE
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truro-penwith.ac.uk/construction



HOW FAR
CAN YOU
GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Building Surveying - Liverpool John Moores University
Renewable Energy Engineering - University of Exeter
Quantity Surveying - University of Wolverhampton

“My favourite thing about my course is that you work with lots of people and communicate with them. It’s been a great experience. If you need any help or anything, the lecturers are always there for you.”

JOSHUA is studying the Level 2 Diploma in Bricklaying.

Joshua is taught by industry professionals with a huge range of work experience. Bricklaying students at the College often visit external sites in order to use their new skills in the workplace and gain relevant experience. Joshua feels that this is a really good way to learn.

Joshua hopes to become self-employed and start his own company in the future. To achieve this, he plans to start a bricklaying apprenticeship with Dingle Construction in the next academic year.

**LEARN
THE TRADE
LIKE
JOSHUA**

COURSES

Find your course and apply online

BENCH JOINERY LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

This course is a perfect fit for students with ambitions of working in the construction industry as a Bench Joiner. You will gain an understanding of the skills and knowledge required to enter the workplace as a Joiner or to progress to further learning and training in this area.

● Why choose this course?

A Bench Joiner has the skills and knowledge to make timber products such as doors, frames, and windows, and plays an important part of any construction team. Truro and Penwith College has extremely realistic simulated working environments where you will learn and develop practical skills as well as use the latest, industry-standard professional tools and equipment. The lecturers are well equipped to advise and deliver you onto the career pathway you desire, with industry-expert level experience. To bolster progression, the College works with local employers who contribute to the knowledge and delivery of this training. Employers will provide demonstrations and talks on the industry and where possible work placements will also be provided.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification will allow you to progress into a higher-level qualification, for example, a Level 3 Apprenticeship or T Level.

BRICKLAYING LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO

Bricklayers lay stone, bricks and blocks to an architect’s specification. The Level 2 Bricklaying Diploma builds on your knowledge of the industry and allows you to practice your craft in realistic facilities with professional level equipment.

● Why choose this course?

This course is designed to prepare you to be ‘work ready’, creating a ‘real world’ bricklaying experience delivered by passionate individuals with many years’ experience in the trade. You will be taught in first-class, industry-standard workshops, building training walls and a multitude of other structures, alongside studying how the construction industry operates in well-equipped classrooms and computer suites. Practical sessions are delivered in simulated working environments with professional tools and equipment to make study as close to a real working environment as possible. To bolster progression, the College works with local employers who contribute to training delivery. Employers will provide demonstrations, talks, and where possible, work placements.

● Where will it take me?

Achievement of this qualification demonstrates that you have the necessary technical skills and knowledge employers are looking for when recruiting a Bricklayer. You can progress to a Level 3 Apprenticeship or a T Level in Construction.

SITE CARPENTRY LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

You will learn the principles of constructing buildings and the types of information used in building design and construction, as well as health, safety, and environmental issues faced on construction sites. Truro and Penwith College has excellent working environments where you can learn and develop practical skills.

● Why choose this course?

This course is designed to get you ready for the world of work by creating a realistic Carpentry experience, allowing you to work with the latest professional tools and equipment to make study as close to a working environment as possible. The course is delivered by passionate lecturers with many years’ experience in the trade. The lecturers are well equipped to advise and deliver you onto the career pathway you desire; completion of a Site Carpentry Diploma can open doors to many other routes within the construction profession. Supervisory skills such as planning, organising and pricing work will be covered along with practical skills specific to site carpentry including first fix and second fix tasks.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification prepares you with the knowledge and practical skills required to become a skilled Site Carpenter. Options to study further would include a higher-level qualification such as a Level 3 Apprenticeship with a local employer, or T Level.

APPRENTICESHIPS

ARCHITECTURAL JOINER LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO PENWITH

An Architectural Joiner will normally be employed in a workshop producing timber-based building components and other architectural products such as doors, windows, units, and staircases, which are then transported to construction sites to be installed by site carpenters.

● Why choose this course?

An Architectural Joiner will produce building components by setting out, marking out and manufacturing basic architectural products including doors, windows, straight staircases, and associated ironmongery. Joiners also liaise with other workshop colleagues and supervisors as well as architects, designers, and customers. As a joiner, you will be responsible for working as part of a team and under supervision using machinery and/or tools to create structures or components from designs, plans and specifications that meet the client's expectations. The Level 2 Apprenticeship in Architectural Joinery offers great routes into further education or possible direct employment upon completion with the learner's current Apprenticeship employer.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification will allow you to progress into employment enhancing the skills and knowledge that you have gained at Level 2, or to progress into a Level 3 Apprenticeship in Carpentry. Achievement of this qualification demonstrates to an employer that you have the necessary technical skills and knowledge.

BRICKLAYER LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

As an Apprentice, you will carry out tasks relating to the laying of masonry products to meet a desired specification and tolerance. Examples of this include the construction of foundations, partitions, arches and other structures. You will learn to lay blocks and stone using a range of materials while on your programme, which is essential to the local industry here in Cornwall.

● Why choose this course?

Through this Apprenticeship, you will gain a formal qualification while working within the industry. This Apprenticeship will suit individuals who are starting a role within a construction environment, offering a practical approach and a solid platform for anyone wishing to develop in this career path. The construction sector is the driving force behind the UK economy, employing three million people and contributing 6.4% of GDP. A career in the construction industry is like no other, and bricklaying is a core function within the construction sector, particularly the house building sector.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification has been designed to enable you to progress directly into employment in the construction sector as a bricklayer or onto higher levels of study at Level 3. This course will also suit existing bricklayers or craft masons, assisting them to gain a qualification that will enhance their career prospects or progress onto further study at advanced level.

GET
INDUSTRY
EXPERIENCE
LIKE
ANGIE

ANGIE studies the Design, Surveying and Planning T Level.

Angie is determined to excel through dedication and hard work. She's already making the most of her work experience opportunities, part of the T Level qualification, to build connections and gain on-site exposure.

After her course Angie hopes to continue her studies and qualify as an architect.

“The lecturers are amazing - professional yet approachable, always ready to help while sharing a laugh! The supportive environment, including regular meetings with a dedicated Industry Engagement Advisor, keeps me on track. And I love how free the College feels; it's a place where individuality shines!”

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AT OUR UNIVERSITY
CENTRE

- HNC Modern Methods of Construction

APPRENTICESHIPS



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PAINTER & DECORATOR LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

PENWITH

This course is the first step towards a career as a Painter and Decorator. The role of the Painter and Decorator is to prepare and internally/externally paint and decorate buildings and structures to architects' specifications and industrial standards accurately and consistently. They work inside and outside of buildings repairing and preparing surfaces for decoration and redecoration.

● Why choose this course?

You will be taught painting and decorating in our first-class workshops, classrooms and IT suites and will continue to repair, prepare, paint and decorate products, components and structures and produce specialist paint finishes on your own and in small teams. Of course, it's not all about practical skills, employers need enthusiastic and engaged employees to meet the demands of the construction industry and to help their business grow. You will therefore need to gain further knowledge of how the construction industry and other trades work together and operate. This will give you the very best opportunity to progress and forge a successful and rewarding career in the construction industry.

● Where will it take me?

After your Apprenticeship, you can progress onto the Level 3 Apprenticeship or a range of specialist construction or business skills programmes.

PLASTERING LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

As a Plastering Apprentice, your jobs will be related to solid plastering and rendering on walls and ceilings. Plastering serves a protective function in that it makes buildings more robust and also an aesthetic function. Plasterers will often complete dry lining projects during their career.

● Why choose this course?

The Plastering Apprenticeship offers an excellent route into employment within the industry and involves applying a range of plastering systems onto different background surfaces using traditional and modern materials. You will learn to prepare background surfaces including solid plain walls, walls with openings and returns, ceiling joists and partitions and beams and piers that are attached or independent of walls. You will also study solid plastering work, which includes preparing solid backgrounds by hand as well as mechanical means and installing sheet materials such as expanded metal lath/rib lath, standard angle beads, skim beads, stop beads, expansion beads and reinforcements for the application of one, two or three coat plastering or rendering systems. As a solid plasterer, you would mainly be installing products on site.

● Where will it take me?

After your Apprenticeship, you will be able to progress onto a range of specialist construction programmes in your area of interest.

SITE CARPENTER LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

PENWITH

The Level 2 Apprenticeship in Site Carpentry involves carrying out skilled work, primarily using timber products on a construction site but also in a workshop, creating and installing building components.

● Why choose this course?

Site Carpenters will invariably work on a building site or in domestic and commercial premises preparing and fixing building components from the initial erection of a new building through to the installation of all necessary fixtures and fittings, as well as a range of repair and maintenance activities. The Level 2 Apprenticeship is designed to enable those who are employed as Site Carpenter Apprentices to gain a formal qualification at College while working. This will suit individuals who are starting a role as a Site Carpenter or within a construction environment, offering a practical approach and a solid platform for anyone wishing to develop in this career path. The programme has a great balance of on-site industry experience and taught content at College.

● Where will it take me?

The Level 2 Apprenticeship allows you to continue straight into employment in the construction sector as a Site Carpenter. Alternatively, you can also advance to further studies at Level 3.

ADVANCED ARCHITECTURAL JOINER LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

This Apprenticeship involves carrying out advanced, skilled joinery work creating and installing building components, primarily using timber products, either on a construction site or in a workshop, preparing you for an occupation that is found in both the new build and refurbishment construction sector.

● Why choose this course?

The construction industry is central to creating the homes, schools, hospitals, energy, and transport infrastructure society needs. There is growing demand for carpenters and joiners to help meet the need for new homes. The broad purpose of advanced carpentry is working with timber to create and install building components. As an advanced joiner, you will be able to undertake complex tasks, requiring high levels of practical skills and knowledge, in addition to managing your own work and leading small teams. Advanced Architectural Joiners are employed in a workshop producing complex building components by setting out, marking out and producing assembled components requiring advanced skilled work including the full range of woodworking machines.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification will allow you to progress into employment enhancing the skills and knowledge that you have gained at Level 3, or to progress into a Higher-Level Apprenticeship or an HNC/HND in Construction.

ADVANCED SITE CARPENTER LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

PENWITH

This occupation involves carrying out advanced skilled work, primarily using timber products on a construction site, creating and installing building components. The advanced site carpenter undertakes complex job tasks, requiring high levels of practical skills and knowledge, in addition to managing their own work and leading small teams.

● Why choose this course?

The Level 3 Apprenticeship is designed to enable those who are employed as Site Carpentry Apprentices to gain a formal qualification at College while working. This Level 3 Apprenticeship will suit individuals who are continuing a role as a site carpenter within a construction environment, offering a practical approach and a solid platform for anyone wishing to develop further in this career path. An advanced site carpenter will normally work on a building site or in domestic and commercial premises, preparing and installing complex and often bespoke building components.

● Where will it take me?

After your Apprenticeship, you will be able to progress directly into employment in the construction sector as a site carpenter. This course will also suit existing site carpenters, assisting them to gain a qualification that will enhance their career prospects or enable them to progress onto further study.



BE PART OF OUR APPRENTICESHIP SUCCESS

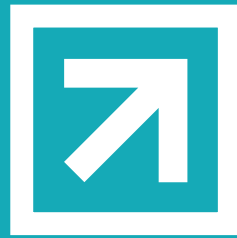
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EDUCATION & TEACHER TRAINING



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Community Education
- Early Years Teaching
- Education Administration
- Education Consultancy
- Educational Mental Health
- Teaching English as a Foreign Language
- Further Education Teaching
- Learning Mentorship
- Primary School Teaching
- Secondary School Teaching
- Special Educational Needs
- Teaching Assistant
- Childcare

GO FURTHER EDUCATING FUTURE GENERATIONS

According to the Industrial Strategy Council, by 2030 there will be a mismatch of jobs and skilled people. Teaching and Training are highly needed to ensure that reskilling of other skills and knowledge occurs across the country.

Nearly 69 million new teachers are needed to achieve global education goals by 2030, UNESCO reports.

The Education and Training department are there to support and inspire you every step of the way to develop the necessary skills, knowledge and experience to achieve within the education sector and reach your potential to inspire the next generation.

Our University Centre progression routes also allow you to continue your studies up to Level 6.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Cornwall SCITT
- Truro & Penwith Academy Trust
- One Cornwall - Teaching School Hub
- Active Cornwall
- The Outdoor Place
- Royal Cornwall Museum
- Garden Pre-School

“I think my favourite part about College has been how supportive everyone is. Everyone is friendly and approachable and have really made an effort to do everything they can to accommodate my needs.”

BO studied the Education and Early Years T Level.

Bo has recently ventured into the world of modelling to not only embrace her individuality but to also bring more representation for young people with disabilities and facial differences. Having completed her T Level, Bo is now studying the BA (Hons) Special Educational Needs & Disability Studies at Plymouth Marjon University.



**MAKE A
DIFFERENCE
LIKE BO**



REAL-LIFE EXPERIENCE THROUGH **WORK PLACEMENTS**

At Level 2 and above, all Education and Early Years students engage with industry placements gaining vital experience which develops their skills and theoretical knowledge.



EMPLOYABILITY


The inclusion of paediatric first aid training and other enriching professional components like a simulation suite enhances your employability and equips you with the skills necessary to excel in the field.



There has never been a greater need to develop educators of the future. If you have a passion to help others reach their potential and want a rewarding career within Cornwall and beyond, then the education sector is for you.

Luke Payne Head of Faculty

COURSES

 Build your own digital prospectus on our website

EDUCATION & EARLY YEARS - ASSISTING TEACHING T LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

This T Level is a career focussed alternative to A Levels which provides you with a holistic understanding of how children aged 0-19 years grow, learn and develop, leading to an occupational specialism in **Assisting Teaching in Year Two** which will focus your developing understanding of Primary and Secondary Education.

● Why choose this course?

This T Level will provide you with an inspiring curriculum that focuses on children's development and education within Primary and Secondary Education; focussing on learning established through the National Curriculum, Key Stages 1 - 4. Working alongside children in an educational setting, you will develop your professional skills to support a safe and stimulating environment with a minimum of 315 hours of work experience in a school. In the second year, the course content focuses on Supporting the Class Teacher, Safeguarding, Planning and Reviewing and Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND). Taught by sector specific lecturers who have years of experience in Primary and Secondary Education.

● Where will it take me?

As this T Level is vocational, you could enter the employment sector as a TA or HLTA or progress to Higher Education: for example, a Foundation Degree in Teaching and Learning at the University Centre Truro and Penwith.

EDUCATION & EARLY YEARS - EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR T LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

This T Level is an engaging course which provides you with an understanding of how children in the early years grow, learn and develop, leading to an occupational specialism in **Early Years Education in Year Two**.

● Why choose this course?

This T Level combines theory and practice through a minimum of 750 hours of work experience in a Nursery or similar Early Years setting across the two year course. It will provide the knowledge and occupational competency required for a rewarding and exciting career in Early Years through a mixture of classroom-based learning focussed on Play and Development, Partnership Working and Developing Relationships in the Early Years. This T Level focuses on children within a setting that utilises the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) curriculum. As well as focusing on Child Development, Observation and Assessment and Working with Parents and Carers in your first year, you will also complete an employer-set project where you will plan activities for a real-world scenario in a nursery or reception class.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of the T Level, you can enter employment. Alternatively, you can progress to Higher Education: for example, a Foundation Degree in Childhood Education at the University Centre Truro and Penwith.

EARLY YEARS PRACTITIONER LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

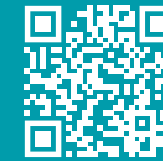
The aim of the Level 2 Diploma for the Early Years Practitioner is to provide you with the knowledge and understanding of babies and young children from 0-7 years of age with applied knowledge in the early years, 0-5 years.

● Why choose this course?

This is a practical and dynamic course. You will need to be working, volunteering or on a practical placement to show competence in both knowledge and skills. You will complete 250 hours in a chosen placement whilst undertaking this qualification. By gaining this vocational experience, you will develop an understanding of your chosen workforce, which will enable you to access work or go onto other qualifications in the care sector.

● Where will it take me?

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to access careers in the early years sector, working under supervision in a variety of roles or progress onto Level 3 Early Years Educator qualifications and other relevant Level 3 qualifications.



SEE MORE COURSE DETAILS ONLINE:

truro-penwith.ac.uk/education



PROGRESS WITH US AT OUR UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- FdA Childhood Education
- FdA Early Years Practice
- FdA Teaching & Learning
- BA (Hons) Education & Training (top-up)
- Certificate in Education
- Postgraduate Certificate in Education
- Cornwall SCITT



HOW FAR CAN YOU GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Early Childhood - Bristol, UWE
Education, Psychology & Special Educational Needs - Cardiff Metropolitan University
Primary Education - Cardiff Metropolitan University
Early Years - Manchester Metropolitan University
Educational Psychology - Manchester Metropolitan University
SEN & Disability Studies - Plymouth Marjon University
Teaching and Learning - University Centre Truro and Penwith
Primary Education with QTS - University of Worcester

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ENGINEERING



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Aeronautical Engineering
- Automotive Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Fabrication & Welding
- Vehicle Service & Maintenance
- Environmental Engineering
- Production Engineering
- Electronic Control Systems Design
- Electronic Engineering
- Motor Vehicle Retail
- Vehicle Diagnostic & Fault Finding

GO FURTHER IN ENGINEERING



Learn and hone essential industry skills with access to state-of-the-art facilities and equipment. Part of the South West Institute of Technology.

Purpose-built workshops and classrooms provide the resources to develop the knowledge needed for a successful career. You will benefit from the College's promotion of excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) through development and experiences.

In addition to learning on campus, there are many opportunities to visit manufacturing and maintenance companies as part of your studies to reinforce your understanding of industrial practices. We also encourage, support and facilitate work placements for all of our learners to further enhance your underpinning knowledge and employability.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- The AA
- Goonhilly Earth Station
- Halfords
- Imerys
- Hawkins Motors
- Daften Diecasting
- Vospers
- Snap-on
- Eliquo Hydrok
- A E Rodda & Son Ltd
- St Austell Brewery
- Eden Project
- Watson-Marlow Fluid Technology Group
- Pendennis Shipyard
- Teagle Machinery Ltd
- Keter UK Ltd

THE STATE-OF-THE-ART INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY BUILDING AT TRURO AND THE STEM & HEALTH SKILLS CENTRE IN BODMIN, OPENED TO ADDRESS THE EXPANSION OF THE ENGINEERING SECTOR.

Collaboration with local industry is a cornerstone of the department's success, facilitated through long-standing partnerships and involvement with key organisations.

THE HIGHEST & MOST SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTOR TO STEM DELIVERY & SUPPORT IN THE COUNTY

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

We have a strong emphasis on the development of employability skills for our vocational courses. This includes interview skills, CV development, work placement and engagement with employers.

EXCEPTIONAL FACILITIES AND INDUSTRY EXPERTS

Students benefit from fantastic facilities and equipment of industry-standard specification across a diverse range of engineering specialisms. Our experienced team of staff ensure that learners benefit from expert advice and guidance and develop the skills needed for progression and employment.



CAREER-READY

Industry engagement and a supportive and constructive classroom environment, promote academic success and career readiness.



The knowledge gained on your course will give you skills to successfully gain a job in industry or progress to higher education.

Andy Foulks
Deputy Head of Faculty

COURSES

ELECTRONICS A LEVEL

TRURO

A Level Electronics provides the opportunity to learn about the theory of electronic components and how to design analogue and digital circuits. You will develop your practical skills to use modern test equipment and software to design virtual circuits.

● Why choose this course?

If you want to find out about how electronic devices work and want to design your own circuits, then an A Level in Electronics is for you. You may also have an interest in computers and programming. Most modern electronic circuits have programmable chips, and you will learn how to program some of these on the course. You will get the opportunity to design your own analogue and digital circuits, using modern equipment and software. A Level Electronics will help those students wishing to study electrical and electronic engineering at university and provide many essential skills for those that want to go directly into electronic industries.

● Where will it take me?

After studying Electronics, you can progress to university to study a wide variety of electrical and electronic based courses - from Robotics to Control systems, Medical Electronics to Artificial Intelligence, or general Electrical and Electronic Engineering. Career opportunities include Apprenticeships or employment in a wide range of industries and commerce.

MACHINING - FOUNDATION KNOWLEDGE LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO

If you enjoy understanding how things work, problem solving and making things, this course can develop your skills and give you valuable tools to put you in a better position to work in the exciting field of engineering.

● Why choose this course?

If you enjoy understanding how things work, working with your hands, and practical problem solving, engineering is a path that will suit you. Engineering is a very broad subject, with many routes into employment. Many students progress directly into Apprenticeships, with the growing number of technology focused employers in Cornwall and beyond. Career pathways could include Mechatronics, Welding & Fabrication, Maintenance, Machining or other technical routes. This course is designed as a stepping stone into the exciting and diverse world of engineering and the wide range of opportunities it offers.

● Where will it take me?

The vast majority of learners on this route progress into employment and Apprenticeships. This ranges from companies involved in the Marine, Manufacturing, Maintenance or Welding and Fabrication sectors. Some students choose to diversify into motor vehicle maintenance or design. Experienced engineers have high levels of job satisfaction as well as good levels of pay.



See more career pathways on our website

ENGINEERING LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

SHSC

This full-time Level 3 Engineering course is suitable for school leavers and young adults and equivalent to three A Levels, providing the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills in the design, development, manufacture and maintenance of engineered products and systems.

● Why choose this course?

This course provides the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills in the design, development and manufacture and maintenance of engineered products and systems. Learning is achieved through the completion of assignments and projects based on realistic workplace scenarios, activities and demands. This course will start to prepare you for the diverse and exciting world of engineering and the wide range of opportunities it offers. You will develop new knowledge/skills in areas such as engineering materials, manufacturing, electronics, computer aided design (CAD), design and project management.

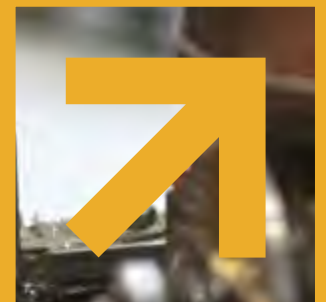
● Where will it take me?

Completing the course will allow you to progress directly to the HNC Engineering at University Centre Truro and Penwith or a wide range of engineering degrees in your preferred field, as well as providing a route into employment.



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DETAILS ONLINE:

truro-penwith.ac.uk/auto-engineering



PROGRESS WITH US
AT OUR UNIVERSITY
CENTRE

- HNC/HND Manufacturing Engineering
- HNC/HND Mechanical Engineering

“Not one day is the same. My Apprenticeship always calls for creative thinking and collaborating with different colleagues. I feel a sense of fulfilment as I know that there are people relying on me to fix the machinery and I am helping to change what is mainly a male industry.”

HANNAH studies the Level 3 Mechatronics Apprenticeship with Imerys.

Inspiring the next generation of female engineers in Cornwall, Hannah says “If you want to be an engineer - 100% go for it!” Hannah says she would like to work in the mines in Australia one day.

**BE
INSPIRING
LIKE
HANNAH**

APPRENTICESHIPS

ENGINEERING OPERATIVE LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

Engineering Operatives are predominantly involved in engineering operations that are key to the success of the Manufacturing and Engineering sector, allowing employers to grow their business while developing a workforce with the relevant skills and knowledge.

● **Why choose this course?**
This is an intermediate level programme for Apprentices wishing to start their career at an Engineering company that requires staff to understand multiple workshop-based Engineering activities. This Apprenticeship is also suitable for Apprentices working at non-Engineering companies where they are required to have a basic understanding of Engineering to undertake maintenance roles. Apprentices will find themselves working in a variety of roles including: fabrication, maintenance, materials, processing or finishing, mechanical manufacturing, technical support and electrical & electronic engineering.

● **Where will it take me?**
Engineering Operatives who undergo an Apprenticeship gain craft-level qualifications and can, with experience, move into supervisory positions that can lead to a range of qualifications at various levels.

COMPOSITES TECHNICIAN LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

SHSC

This three-year programme equips apprentices with specialised skills in the production and creation of composite materials and components, essential for manufacturing lighter and stronger alternatives to metals. You will gain hands-on experience in areas like design, tooling, moulding, curing, and inspection, preparing you for roles such as Composites Designer, Tool-Maker, Laminator, Inspector, and Repairer.

● **Why choose this course?**
This apprenticeship covers a comprehensive range of knowledge essential for working in the composites industry. You will learn about the characteristics and applications of composite materials, including various types of resins like polyester, epoxy, and bio-resins. You will gain an understanding of the maths, science, and engineering principles underpinning composites technology. The course also emphasises the importance of working safely and collaboratively.

● **Where will it take me?**
This Apprenticeship can lead to a variety of exciting career opportunities in high-tech industries such as aerospace, automotive, marine, and renewables. Additionally, the skills and knowledge gained from this apprenticeship are highly valued, opening doors to advanced positions in composite materials manufacturing and quality assurance.



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SUCCESS**

Top in the South West
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FOOD & DRINK MAINTENANCE ENGINEER LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

SHSC

This is an intermediate level programme for food and drink manufacturing companies or contractors, requiring staff with reasonable engineering maintenance skills that gives them an understanding of highly automated equipment and technology used within the sector.

● Why choose this course?

Food and Drink Maintenance Engineers are predominantly involved in maintaining machinery and equipment in the food and drinks industry, finding and resolving faults, to optimise production levels. They conduct planned and predictive maintenance to prevent issues occurring and also reactive maintenance for example, to respond to breakdowns. They lead or support food and drink operational teams with machinery change overs and set ups.

● Where will it take me?

Achievement of this qualification demonstrates to an employer that you have the necessary technical skills and knowledge they are looking for when recruiting for a Food & Drink Maintenance Engineer. This may be working in a production environment or working on bespoke small quantity items.

MACHINING TECHNICIAN LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

Engineering Technicians are found in the Aerospace, Aviation, Automotive, Maritime Defence and wider Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering sector and are predominantly involved in highly skilled, complex work.

● Why choose this course?

You will start a quality career in the Advanced Manufacturing Engineering sector where you will predominantly be involved in highly skilled, complex and precision work machining components from specialist materials using conventional and/or CNC machine tools. You will learn to use and interpret engineering data and documentation such as technical drawings, technical data and computer-generated programmes. You will be able to set up, operate and adjust or edit equipment settings as applicable to the machine tool being used.

● Where will it take me?

After your Apprenticeship, you will be able to continue your career as a machinist manufacturing engineer and progress within your organisation.

MECHATRONICS MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

SHSC

Engineering Technicians in the Aerospace, Aviation, Automotive, Maritime Defence and wider Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering sector are predominantly involved in highly skilled, complex work and make technical contributions to the design, development, quality assurance, manufacture, installation, commissioning, decommissioning and operation or maintenance of products, equipment, systems, processes or services.

● Why choose this course?

Start a quality career as a Mechatronics Maintenance Technician where you will learn to ensure that plant and equipment perform to the required standard to facilitate production targets for safety, quality, delivery and cost within High Value Manufacturing environments.

● Where will it take me?

Gain a qualification that is valued by employers across the engineering sector and is in demand in Cornwall, across the South West and worldwide. Learn, develop and practice the skills required for continued employment and progression.

METAL FABRICATOR LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

Metal Fabricator Apprentices will work in the Advanced Manufacturing Engineering and Engineering Construction sectors. The broad purpose of the occupation is to carry out metal fabrication work using rolled steel joists, columns, channels, steel plate and sheet metal techniques.

● Why choose this course?

You will start your career as a Metal Fabricator, learning to be fully competent in various manual welding processes in all welding positions. The course is suitable for learners who want to advance their welding and fabricating skills. Metal Fabricators use a variety of techniques to cut, form and shape a variety of metal fabricated components and join them by using welding processes, so manual dexterity is essential. There is a high-demand for Metal Fabricators and Multi-Positional Welders in sectors such as power generation, oil and gas, marine, transport, nuclear, processing, aerospace, pharmaceuticals, construction and many more.

● Where will it take me?

After your Apprenticeship, you could look to progress into other roles such as high integrity welder, welding instruction and teaching, welding inspection and management or supervisory roles.



HOW FAR CAN YOU GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Robotics - Bristol, UWE
Aerospace Engineering - Bristol, UWE
Mechanical Engineering - Cardiff University
Civil Engineering - Swansea University
Engineering & Architectural Design - University College London
Structural & Architectural Engineering - University of Bath
Electrical & Electronic Engineering - University of Bristol
Aerospace Engineering with Pilot Studies - University of Liverpool
Civil & Coastal Engineering - University of Plymouth
Maritime Engineering - University of Southampton

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ENGLISH & LANGUAGES



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Teaching
- Journalism
- Translation
- Interpreting
- Law
- Publishing
- Novel Writing
- Speech Therapy
- International Aid/ Development Work
- Copy Writing
- Editing
- Lexicography
- Script Writing

GO FURTHER IN COMMUNICATION & CULTURE

Language is intrinsically linked with a country's literature, traditions and history.

You will explore the linguistic and literary heritage of the English language, understanding how it influences all communication. Your skills of self-expression and analysis will develop as you read widely and look at the genres of poetry, prose, drama and a range of non-literary texts.

As you progress in higher study or your chosen career, you will value your ability to interpret and communicate effectively in written and spoken form, which are essential skills for any profession.

The world will be opened up to you as your foreign language skills develop and you become immersed in a new culture. You will also have the opportunity to test your linguistic talents around the world, not just within Europe but further, where your chosen language may be spoken across the globe.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- University of Cambridge
- University of Exeter
- University of Falmouth
- Royal Literary Fund
- NHS
- Alumni in the field of professional writing
- National Trust
- African Impact Organisation
- BBC

RUSSELL GROUP SUCCESS

High numbers of students who progress to university went to Russell Group institutions including Oxbridge. Students progress to a wide range of courses beyond English and Languages.

The Russell Group is an association of 24 prestigious British public research universities. They are committed to the highest levels of academic excellence in both teaching and research.

EXCEL WITH US

60% of students studying A Level English Language achieved A* to B grades, 18% above the national average. 74% of those studying English Literature achieved an A* to B grade compared to a national average of 57%.

ENRICHMENT

There are extensive enrichment opportunities including foreign trips to Eswatini, Andalusia in Spain, and to Nice, France where students receive lessons in language schools.

JOIN ONE OF THE LARGEST ENGLISH AND LANGUAGE DEPARTMENTS NATIONALLY

You will have access to our dedicated Languages Learning Centre. Students are well supported to make exceptional progress in their courses and benefit from strong links with the College's Academic Academy and Oxbridge Support Programme.

ACHIEVE

You will be taught and supported by experts with a passion for their subject who have extensive knowledge of the exam requirements. Last year the A Level pass rate was 100% with exceptionally high grades against the national average.

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On our exciting English and Languages courses, you will develop the ability to think critically about different texts and about the world around you.

Jen McConnell Head of Faculty



COURSES

ENGLISH LANGUAGE A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

In this exciting and diverse subject, you will study various texts including articles, speeches and advertisements, while focusing on fundamental questions about language: what does your use of language say about you? Where do words come from? How do children learn to speak and write?

● Why choose this course?

Imagine you could take your innermost thoughts and insert them into someone else's mind. Well, you already can; it's called language. In English Language, we ask ourselves different questions... How does the analysis of language help to solve crime? How do we learn to speak and write? Is language being corrupted or is linguistic change good? You will also consider how identity is created through choices in language. Why do you say "please"? How does celebrity culture shape language? What impact can geographical and social factors such as gender, age and ethnicity have on identity? This is just a snapshot of what you will discover.

● Where will it take me?

English Language is highly valued by universities and employers. It complements many subjects such as English Literature, Psychology, Sociology, Film Studies, Media Studies, History and Health and Social Care. It can lead to jobs in diverse fields such as Forensic Linguistics, Speech and Language Therapy, Marketing, Journalism and Education amongst others.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

Do you love analysing literature and the language of the world around us? Prepare to study a wide variety of texts that will hone your critical thinking and perceptive abilities, whilst also developing your creative writing skills.

● Why choose this course?

Do you love writing? Like to analyse...well, everything? English Language and Literature allows you to be creative - not only through your fiction and non-fiction coursework, but also through the creative approach you can take in your analytical work. How? This multi-disciplinary course approaches analysis from both a linguistic and literary point of view. This A Level differs from those focused primarily on literature by extending its coverage to explore non-literary and non-fiction texts. You can expect to study prose, drama and poetry, but also a range of texts such as newspaper articles, online copy and advertisements.

● Where will it take me?

English Language and Literature is highly respected among both employers and universities. The course provides an excellent foundation for any degree which requires an essay-based subject. English graduates have gone on to pursue Law, Medicine, Journalism, Business Management and Education to name but a few.



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ENGLISH LITERATURE A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

By studying English Literature, you will learn the vital skills of close textual analysis and literary criticism. You will compare and contrast a range of exciting, challenging, and stimulating works from 1610-2025, while considering the historical and cultural contexts.

● Why choose this course?

If you have a love of reading and enjoy the idea of analysing and comparing literary texts, then this is the course for you. You will be encouraged to explore a wide variety of texts such as the ever-relevant genre of dystopia, the subversive poetry of Christina Rossetti, Ibsen's ground-breaking drama, 'A Doll's House' and Shakespeare's dynamic play, 'The Tempest'. During your course, you will write two pieces of coursework. You will have a large degree of independence in your choice of texts and tasks, with guidance from your lecturer.

● Where will it take me?

A qualification in English Literature is highly valued by universities and employers as it develops your critical thinking and writing skills. English graduates go on to work in many sectors including Teaching, Publishing, Journalism, Media and Communications, Marketing, Arts, Law, and Heritage.



SEE MORE COURSE
DETAILS ONLINE:

truro-penwith.ac.uk/english-languages



HOW FAR
CAN YOU
GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Journalism & Publishing - Bath Spa University
Creative & Professional Writing - Bristol, UWE
Spanish & Japanese - Cardiff University
Modern Languages & Translation - Cardiff University
English Literature & History - Durham University
Creative Writing with Professional Placement - Falmouth University
English with Film Studies - King's College London
Modern & Medieval Languages - University of Cambridge
English Literature with Creative Writing - University of Leeds
International Relations & Modern Languages - University of Exeter
Psychology & Linguistics - University of Edinburgh

“ I had so much support from all my tutors, with a million mock interviews in the weeks leading up to ensure I was prepared for Oxbridge. I was so pleased and relieved when I finally got confirmation.”

BROOKE studied English Literature, Film Studies and Media Studies A Levels.

Brooke is aiming to pursue a career in PR and has an offer to continue her studies in English Language and Literature, at Merton College, Oxford starting this September.

**AIM FOR
THE TOP
LIKE BROOKE**

COURSES

FRENCH A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

Have you always wanted to learn another language? Are you interested in the French culture and lifestyle? In this course, you will develop your speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills and broaden your knowledge of France and other French speaking countries.

● **Why choose this course?**
During this course, you will learn vocabulary based on a variety of topic areas as well as grammar rules, which will enable you to make sense of the language and to use the language accurately. You will develop all four language skills: speaking, reading, listening, and writing through a wide range of materials, both inside and outside the classroom. Your lessons will be conducted in specialist language rooms. You will have access to our highly supportive Languages Centre for help with any aspect of your French studies. Once a week, you will have a conversation session with our French language assistant to help you improve your confidence in speaking. There is also the opportunity to visit France which will help to develop both your cultural and linguistic knowledge.

● **Where will it take me?**
You could choose to take your studies further at university. French can be studied with almost any other subject such as Business, Law and Science. Many linguists go into Broadcast Journalism, Politics, Teaching, Translation and Interpreting, or the Civil Service. Alternatively, you could work within the Tourism industry.

SPANISH A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

If you are interested in learning a language and take an interest in Spanish culture, this course will be perfect to develop your speaking, listening, reading, and writing skills and broaden your knowledge of Spain and other Spanish speaking countries.

● **Why choose this course?**
Spanish is one of the official languages of the European Community and the United Nations and Spain is one of the UK's closest European partners. There are ever increasing opportunities for Spanish speakers to work in Europe and Latin America. During this course, you will learn vocabulary based on a variety of topic areas as well as grammar rules, which will enable you to make sense of and use the language accurately. You will use a wide range of materials and have access to our Languages Centre for help with any aspect of your Spanish studies. You will also have the opportunity to visit Spain, developing your knowledge of Spanish speaking countries and their culture.

● **Where will it take me?**
At university, Spanish can be studied with almost any other subject such as Business, Law and Science and is a language of huge global importance. Many linguists go into Broadcast Journalism, Politics, Teaching, Translation, or the Civil Service. Language graduates also have the highest employment rate after students of Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science.



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ENRICHMENT
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HAIR & BEAUTY



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Complementary Therapies
- Beauty Therapy
- Spa Management
- Hairdressing
- Media Make Up
- Nail Services
- Salon Management

GO FURTHER IN A COMMERCIAL SALON



Within industry-standard facilities, our hairdressing and beauty therapy courses offer a blend of both practical and theory lectures.

You will learn and understand the science behind the subject area, learn and develop the practical skills and techniques of your chosen career.

Within our Inspiration salons, you will complete treatments or services with members of the public as your clients, providing you with valuable experience, employability skills and preparing you for the many career opportunities of this Industry.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Nikki Robins Hair Design
- Goldbird Hairdresser Salon
- St. Michaels Hotel & Spa
- The Cornwall Hotel & Spa
- Beauty Boutique
- Hendra Hair & Beauty Salon
- The Cutting Edge Hair salon
- Fuzion Hair & Beauty Salon
- Goldbird Hairdresser Salon
- The Headland Hotel & Spa
- Marzipan Hair
- Blush
- V Spa Nail Salon

INDUSTRY CONNECTIONS

We collaborate closely with our local salons and employers and use their expertise to provide workshops which give a real insight into the Hair and Beauty Industry. Guest artists and pioneers of the industries combine to provide additional workshop activities which further enhances the development of practical skills and techniques.

You will have the opportunity to display your individual creativity by participating in our annual Cornish Skills competition and have your work judged by leading members of the hair and beauty industry.

We are very proud of our students successes at WorldSkills competitions; we have achieved many gold medals for our exemplary standards, and we hope that you will join those who progress onto such competitions.

REAL WORKING ENVIRONMENTS

Perfect your skills in Inspiration, our commercial salon. Gain real-world experience of our on-campus busy, working salon which is fully equipped and recently upgraded with new equipment added annually.

ENHANCE YOUR SKILLS WITH INDUSTRY WORK PLACEMENTS

All Hair and Beauty students undertake a meaningful industry placement where you will be exposed to real work environments and experiences. Some learners are offered an Apprenticeship as a result of work experience.



EXCEL WITH US

100% of our Level 2 Hair, Level 3 Beauty Therapy and Level 3 Nail Technology students achieved their qualifications. 100% of our Level 3 Beauty Therapy students achieved full time employment at the end of their course from their work placements.



Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy are careers with many opportunities. They are becoming more diverse, leading to many dynamic paths of employment.

Nikki Dixon
Deputy Head of Faculty

COURSES



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HAIR & BEAUTY SKILLS LEVEL 1 CERTIFICATE

TRURO PENWITH

This course will introduce you to the skills needed to begin progressing toward a career in the Hair and Beauty industry. You will gain a Level 1 qualification in the skills required to progress on to a Level 2 course in Hairdressing or Beauty Therapy.

● Why choose this course?

Throughout this course, you will develop your knowledge and understanding in a range of skills and techniques, alongside developing interpersonal skills that will assist you in communicating effectively with clients and understand the expectations required when in the industry. This one-year qualification is mainly a practical course, using a variety of teaching methods including discussions, demonstrations, and presentations. You will work on your own, in pairs and in small groups practicing techniques within a realistic working environment in well equipped, purpose-built salons.

● Where will it take me?

On completion of this course, you could progress onto a Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing, Level 2 Beauty Therapy and Level 2 Apprenticeships at Truro and Penwith College. Career opportunities include becoming a Hairdressing Junior or Beauty Assistant in a salon.

BEAUTY SPECIALIST TECHNIQUES LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

Learners who complete this course will become a qualified Level 2 therapist competent in performing face and body treatments. You will be encouraged to progress onto an advanced qualification to specialize further in the beauty industry and widen your employment opportunities.

● Why choose this course?

Throughout this qualification, you will develop your knowledge and understanding of all relevant subject areas alongside developing interpersonal and employability skills that will assist you to communicate effectively with clients. This one-year qualification is mainly a practical course, using a variety of teaching methods including discussions, demonstrations, and presentations. This qualification includes waxing, make-up, eyelash and eyebrow tinting, eyebrow shaping, manicure, pedicure, facial, skin analysis, consultation techniques and client care, health, safety and hygiene, alongside anatomy and physiology for beauty therapists, which are the fundamental treatments of beauty therapy.

● Where will it take me?

While this qualification's primary purpose is to prepare you for employment as a beauty therapist or beauty specialist, you may choose to develop your skills by undertaking further qualifications in Beauty Therapy at Level 3.

WOMEN'S HAIRDRESSING LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

TRURO PENWITH

In this course, you will learn the basics of Hairdressing and build the foundations of a successful Hairdressing career with topics including how to create a variety of haircuts, colouring effects, and styling techniques in line with current trends and fashions.

● Why choose this course?

Lessons will be held in a professional commercial salon environment in preparation for client services. You will be provided with opportunities to research and investigate the history of hairdressing and the importance it plays in today's hair fashions. You will discover the importance of English and Maths and the important role they play in the industry from timing services, mixing and measuring chemicals, reading manufacturer's instructions among other things. You will learn to adapt communication techniques to meet a variety of social and cultural needs.

● Where will it take me?

Opportunities are many and varied for the enterprising hairdresser from small salons to large, high-end city salons, television, and theatre. Progressing to a Level 3 Hairdressing course will enable students to start their own business or franchise. Upon completion of Levels 2 and 3 in Hairdressing, Higher Education courses will qualify students for teaching, training, or assessing positions.

EXPRESS YOURSELF LIKE SPIKE

“ There is so much more freedom at College. There's no uniform anymore and we can wear what we like, so everyone can express their individuality. ”

SPIKE studies the Level 2 Diploma in Women's Hairdressing.

Spike started at Penwith College studying Painting and Decorating, but after his mum had gained hairdressing qualifications at college, he felt that he would give it a go. Spike is now thriving and loving his time on the diploma.

He really enjoys College and finds it is the ideal environment to express himself. Spike is looking forward to continuing his course for another year and is considering a career in hairdressing where he could be creative with cuts and styles.

“Truro College gave me the building blocks to get to where I am today. Having my work placement in a salon gave me real life experience of what hairdressing is like and I was desperate to spend more time in a salon environment.”

FREYA studied the Level 2 Hair Professional Apprenticeship with Number 8 Hairdressing.

Determined to turn her lifelong passion into a career, Freya's promotion to Junior Stylist in the salon where she completed her apprenticeship is a testament to the power of apprenticeships in turning aspirations into reality.

**PURSUE
YOUR
PASSION
LIKE FREYA**



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BEAUTY THERAPY TREATMENTS LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

Beauty therapists can be employed within the beauty, travel, leisure, and health industries and also in a variety of salons, spas and aesthetic environments. This course will provide you with the perfect opportunity to gain invaluable experience in the industry while studying.

Why choose this course?

If you would like an exciting career in the beauty sector, this course will enable you to enter one of the many career pathways within the industry. You will learn new and exciting treatments in our industry standard salon. Throughout this qualification, you will develop your practical skills and theory knowledge. You will learn a range of topics such as anatomy, physiology, electrical face and body treatments, advanced massage, aftercare, and home care. To further your knowledge of the industry, you will also study business management within your course. Teaching methods include discussions, demonstrations, and presentations. You will work on your own, in pairs and in small groups practicing techniques within a realistic working environment.

Where will it take me?

The beauty industry is constantly evolving and developing, and this course will give you all the current skills and techniques needed to be the best you can be. Once qualified in Level 3 as a Beauty Therapist, there are many career opportunities you can enjoy.

HAIRDRESSING LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

Upon completion of this course, you will be competent in all aspects of advanced skills and techniques, creating a world of opportunity to work in all areas of the hairdressing industry.

Why choose this course?

This qualification includes a range of advanced skills and techniques across cutting, colouring, colour correction and styling and competition work. This will increase employability skills across a wider range of industry career opportunities. Throughout this qualification, you will develop your skills, knowledge and understanding of all advanced areas, alongside developing interpersonal skills that will assist you to communicate effectively with clients and junior members of staff. This one-year qualification is mainly a practical course, using a variety of teaching methods including discussions, demonstrations, and presentations. You will work on your own, in pairs and in small groups practicing techniques within a realistic working environment in well equipped, purpose-built salons.

Where will it take me?

Career opportunities for a qualified hairdresser include working in salons as a Senior Stylist or Salon Manager. You could also become a freelance Stylist or open your own business. The course will also allow you to study qualifications at Level 4 or 5, such as Salon Management or Teaching.

MAKE-UP ARTISTRY LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

TRURO

You will become a qualified Level 3 Make-up Artist, competent in providing make-up services from several make-up genres, and you will also develop your creative skills and widen your employment opportunities to flourish in the make-up artistry or related industries.

Why choose this course?

The VRQ Level 3 Diploma in Make-up Artistry will stretch and challenge you by providing the knowledge and practical expertise to take you forward into any area of make-up artistry. It will also help you to develop consultation skills with your clients and higher communication abilities within the salon and freelance make-up environment. You will start by learning the techniques and the theory behind these advanced skills. You will have the opportunity to practice all you have learned before carrying out the chosen techniques on models in the salon. You can plan and design all your own creations and show them off by choosing the perfect faces to work on.

Where will it take me?

Freelance and mobile make up businesses are prevalent in Cornwall with a thriving wedding industry. You can also link with photographers in the fashion industry, work in beauty salons, provide makeup for television and film, work with modelling agencies or within cosmetic counters at department stores.

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DETAILS ONLINE:

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NAIL SERVICES LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

TRURO

Upon completion of this course, you will gain a Level 3 qualification in the skills required to progress into the beauty industry as a nail technician. This qualification will equip you with practical salon experience you can carry forward into employment.

● Why choose this course?

This one-year qualification includes both practical and theory work using a variety of teaching methods, including discussions, demonstrations, and presentations. You will work on your own and in pairs, practicing techniques within a realistic working environment in well equipped, purpose-built salons. You will develop your knowledge and understanding in a range of skills and techniques alongside developing interpersonal skills that will assist you to communicate effectively with clients and understand the expectations required when in the industry. You will use industry-standard products in order to hone your skills to the best of your ability.

● Where will it take me?

Our lecturers use current trending techniques to ensure that you are qualified to the highest standard and will stand out when ready to enter the workplace. Upon completion of the course, you could seek employment in a nail salon or become a freelance nail artist.

APPRENTICESHIPS

HAIR PROFESSIONAL - HAIRDRESSING LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

Learn and develop current, commercially ready hairdressing skills and knowledge whilst gaining hands-on industry experience on an Apprenticeship programme. Gain valuable experience and develop your interpersonal skills whilst building a clientele, before taking your skills into the wider industry.

● Why choose this course?

This course will allow you to take ownership of your work, client lists, and responsibilities within a salon. This new style of programme is selected by Hairdressers and aims to focus all training on their commercial service needs. This course is perfect for enthusiastic, motivated, up and coming stylists, wanting to embark on their hairdressing career. The balance of taught sessions and industry experience received will further support, aid and enhance their learning and progression journey. This course will also allow you to develop strong interpersonal skills to assist you in your effective communication with clients and professionals.

● Where will it take me?

Completion of this course will open a variety of opportunities, including progression on to the Advanced and Creative Hair Professional qualification. Alternatively, you could look to gain employment in a salon or open your own salon, become a stylist for film or television, or work on cruise ships.

ADVANCED & CREATIVE HAIR PROFESSIONAL LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

This Apprenticeship will allow you to take your skills into the wider industry by working in a salon alongside your college work, gaining valuable experience and knowledge. You will work in a salon environment 4 - 5 days a week gaining invaluable industry experience.

● Why choose this course?

During this qualification, you will learn how to carry out precise and personalised cutting techniques, you will also learn how to use colour to create bespoke looks while incorporating strengthening and smoothing techniques. You will learn a variety of fashion-forward styling and dressing techniques which will increase your employability skills across a wider range of industry career opportunities. This Apprenticeship will allow you to take ownership of your work, client lists and responsibilities. There will also be the possibility of gaining full-time employment within your training salon.

● Where will it take me?

After Level 3, you can continue with your studies onto Level 4 in Salon Management or gain full-time employment, perhaps in your training salon. Some of the areas you may go on to work in include but are not limited to: Senior Stylist, Salon Manager, Stylist on a Cruise ship, Assessor in education or Brand Representative.

WELLBEING & HOLISTIC THERAPIST LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

Transform Lives with Holistic Therapy: Choosing the Wellbeing and Holistic Therapist Apprenticeship allows learners to make a profound impact on clients' physical, emotional, and mental wellbeing while building a rewarding career in a thriving industry.

● Why choose this course?

This apprenticeship standard is designed for individuals passionate about creating tailored holistic and wellbeing experiences in diverse environments such as spas, wellness centres, and beauty salons. This apprenticeship equips learners with the skills to deliver treatments like aromatherapy, acupuncture, holistic massage, Indian head massage, and lymphatic drainage. Apprentices will learn to manage treatment outcomes, ensuring clients achieve optimal physical, emotional, and mental balance. They will also gain expertise in providing post-treatment aftercare and making future recommendations.

● Where will it take me?

Completing the Wellbeing and Holistic Therapist Apprenticeship opens up a range of exciting career opportunities in the wellness industry. Graduates can pursue roles such as Holistic Therapist, Spa Therapist, or Wellbeing Therapist in various settings, including spas, wellness centres, beauty salons, and even healthcare environments.

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HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Nursing
- Health Care
- Paramedicine
- Family Support Work
- Social work
- Counselling and Psychology
- Teaching
- Speech & Language Therapy
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational Therapy
- Radiography
- Midwifery
- Occupational Health
- Therapy
- Youth Work



GO FURTHER IN THE CARE SECTOR

As a caring individual, it is vitally important that you have the necessary skills and qualifications to play a role in shaping the lives of others.

Vocationally qualified and experienced staff will help you to gain the skills and qualifications needed to have a positive impact on society, supporting others and fulfilling the growing demand both locally and nationally for health care professionals.

You will thrive in a supported environment and are encouraged to develop a wide range of relevant skills.

Alongside specialist knowledge, communication and organisation, you will also develop your empathy and compassion to excel in a rewarding career.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- CPFT (Newquay, Camborne, Falmouth, Bodmin, St Austell, Helston, Liskeard, Launceston & Fowey Community Hospitals)
- RCHT (Treliske, West Cornwall & St Michael's Hospitals)
- The Brandon Trust
- Cathedral View Care Home
- Supported by the Proud to Care wider network



EXCELLENT PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

Health and Social Care is undergoing significant change and growth nationally and locally. Get equipped with the qualifications, knowledge and skills to progress into a variety of careers in the sector. With our excellent links with local careers and the NHS, progression pathways have helped to create many Nursing Associates, Nurses and Operating Department Practitioners.

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ACADEMY ON
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WORK PLACEMENTS

The curriculum offers all Level 3 learners experience and contact with employers and an extended work placement. This encourages you to understand local job roles and aspire to careers in the Health and Social Care sector.

STATE-OF-THE-ART HEALTH SIMULATION SUITES

Specialist facilities replicate a hospital environment with access to training mannequins and industry specific equipment. Learn from dedicated and professional staff, which include practising health care professionals and registered nurses.



EXCEL WITH US

100% of our students completing the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care passed, with 63.9% achieving the top grade range of D*D*D*- DDD. 100% of our T Level Health students progressed onto higher education or secured sector related employment.



Students are supported and encouraged to develop a comprehensive range of skills that allow them to progress and achieve.

Luke Payne Head of Faculty



**HOW FAR
CAN YOU
GO?**

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Nursing - Bristol, UWE
Paramedic Science - Bristol, UWE
Health & Social Care - Oxford Brookes University
Midwifery - Swansea University
Youth, Social & Community Studies - University Centre Truro & Penwith
Adult Nursing - University Centre Truro & Penwith
Nursing Associate (HTQ) - University Centre Truro & Penwith
Nursing (Adult & Mental Health) - University of Plymouth
Dentistry - University of Bristol
Healthcare Science - University of Leeds

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HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE **LEVEL 3** **EXTENDED** **CERTIFICATE -** **A LEVEL EQUIVALENT**

TRURO

Are you interested in people? Do you wonder about the individuals who make up our society? Do you think about the different lives they have and the various forms of support and care they need? If so, then a qualification in Health and Social Care could be for you.

● Why choose this course?

If you prefer to keep your options open and do not wish to commit to a full-time Health and Social Care Extended Diploma, then this could be the course for you. This popular qualification is taken as part of an A Level programme, where you study the course alongside three other A Levels. As the topics in health and social care are so wide-ranging, it would work with many different combinations of A Levels, whether you are interested in the humanities or sciences, or a mixture of subjects.

● Where will it take me?

The final qualification is equivalent to one A Level and is well regarded by Higher Education institutions for progression. Students who have entered Higher Education have gone on to study Nursing, Midwifery, Teaching, and many other degrees. Students could also enter employment into a range of allied health care professions such as Health Care Assistants or Support Workers.

HEALTH **T LEVEL**

TRURO

SHSC

The T Level in Health is a high quality, work focused alternative to A Levels for young people who want to work in the health sector. This technical qualification prepares you for work and further study in this industry.

● Why choose this course?

This qualification has been developed by experts and employers and reflects the needs of specialist occupations within the healthcare sector. This course will provide you with the knowledge, skills and behaviours required to progress into a wide range of skilled employment options or higher-level technical study. Truro and Penwith College offer a range of higher-level university courses and Apprenticeships that will allow T Level students to progress onto. The core content covers a breadth of subjects related to the health and science sector and includes core science concepts, health and wellbeing, safeguarding, person-centred care, good clinical practice and infection, prevention and control.

● Where will it take me?

On successful completion of the Health T Level, you will be provided with many progression options. Learners achieving this qualification could progress directly to employment in a variety of roles within the health and social care sector. Alternatively, you may continue on to higher education or be offered an Apprenticeship. All our T Level learners to date have progressed into their first choice of employment or on to high quality degree level programmes.

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE **LEVEL 2**

TRURO

PENWITH

The Level 2 Health and Social Care qualification provides you with a broad vocational approach to work alongside children, young people, and adults, offering you the opportunity to develop your knowledge and understanding of supporting individuals through the life stages.

● Why choose this course?

This course provides you with a holistic understanding of how to support children, young people, and adults in a variety of different settings. The Level 2 has an emphasis on developing your skills, giving you the knowledge, understanding and skillset required for employment within the health care sector, or further study within Further Education. This qualification aims to give you the opportunity to develop the skills and knowledge that are used within the health, social care, and childcare sectors.

● Where will it take me?

There are a wide range of progression opportunities available upon completion of this course. Students have progressed to more specialised Level 3 vocational or Health and Social Care courses as well as employment and Apprenticeships. Some have progressed into other sectors such as caring for older people or working with children and vulnerable people in society.



PROGRESS WITH US AT OUR UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- FdSc Nursing Associate
- BSc (Hons) Adult Nursing
- BSc (Hons) Mental Health Nursing
- BSc (Hons) Operating Department Practitioner
- Level 5 Apprenticeship Nursing Associate
- Level 6 Apprenticeship Operating Department Practitioner
- Level 6 Apprenticeship Registered Nurse Degree (Adult Nursing / Mental Health)

“Penwith College was a game changer because of the support that was offered to me. Health and Social Care was really useful when choosing Paramedicine because there are things that you can interlink with my degree and my college course.”



DAISY studied the Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care.

Daisy's passion for working in the medical field had transformed after studying Health and Social Care at Penwith College. Daisy's experience and knowledge that she has gained from her course was very useful in demonstrating to universities what sets her apart from the rest of the applicants. As a result, she successfully secured her place at the University of Plymouth to study Paramedicine.

**LOOK
FURTHER
LIKE
DAISY**

COURSES

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

This three A Level equivalent pathway enables you to explore a broad range of topics within the world of Health and Social Care, developing knowledge and understanding designed to enable a route into Higher Education or progression into the workforce.

● Why choose this course?

The Pearson BTEC National Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care is intended as an applied general qualification. It is for post-16 learners who want to continue their education through applied learning and who aim to progress to Higher Education and ultimately to employment in the health and social care sector. The content of this qualification has been developed in consultation with higher education to ensure it supports progression to higher study. Employers and professional bodies have also been involved in order to confirm that the content is also appropriate for those interested in working in the health and social care sector.

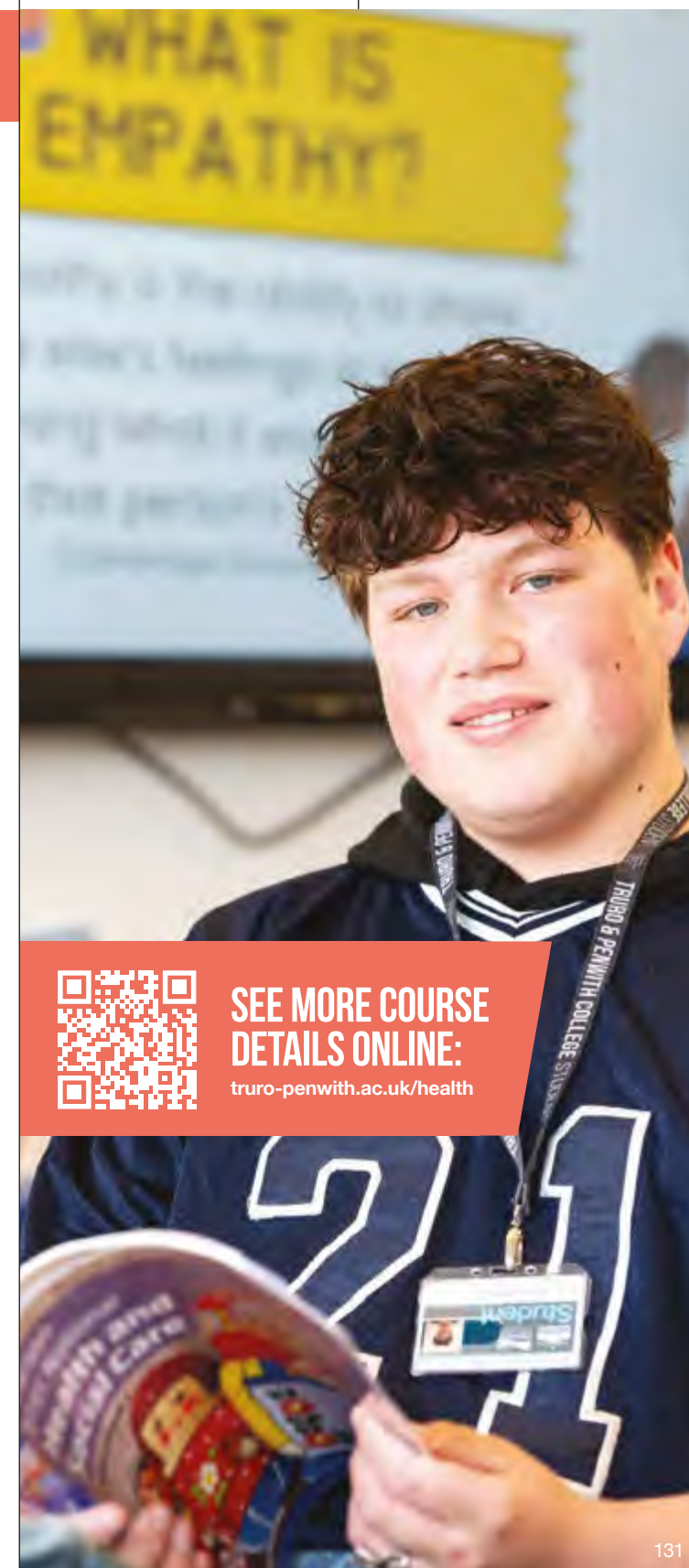
● Where will it take me?

Successful completion of the course should leave you fully prepared for a range of health and social care degree-level programmes, including Nursing, Midwifery, Social Work and Psychology. It will also provide opportunities for employment or further training within the sector.



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HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Public Service
- Environmental Consultancy
- Education
- Counselling
- Politics
- Research
- Public Relations
- Law
- Psychology
- Curation & Archiving
- Conservation & Heritage
- Social Services
- Human Resources
- Journalism
- Marketing
- Ecology
- Sociology

GO FURTHER IN GLOBAL AFFAIRS

You will explore compelling questions that have an impact on societies past, present and future, and through debate, research and study you will develop a mature, questioning intellect.

Studying Humanities and Social Sciences develops critical thinking and written communication to the benefit of your other subjects. These skills are essential for university and future careers.

Lessons are informed by up-to-date examining experience and extremely well-resourced subjects, lead to exceptional results.

Further enrichment comes from participation in one of our regular visits to exciting locations including Rome, Athens, Iceland, Toronto and Eswatini.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Dr Guy Sutton
- The Wave Project
- Shelter Box
- The University of Plymouth
- Police Cadets
- Emeritus Professor of Medieval History, Nigel Saul



EXPERT SPEAKERS

Develop your knowledge, skills and understanding through lectures from expert visiting speakers exploring a diverse range of topics.



TRAVEL THE WORLD

Humanities and Social Science students have many opportunity to experience outstanding trips abroad. International trips include visits to Rome, Athens, Toronto, Iceland and Eswatini.



EXCEL WITH US

8.5% of our students studying Psychology achieved the very top A* grade; this is compared to 3% at other colleges nationally. 79% of our students studying Psychology achieved a C or higher compared to the 63.3% national average.

37.7% of our students studying A Level History achieved an A* or A grade - 13.3% higher than the national average and 26.7% higher than the FE college national average.

HIGH A LEVEL PASS RATES WITH A*-B GRADES ABOVE THE NATIONAL AVERAGE

Knowledgeable and passionate staff use imaginative teaching strategies along with their excellent subject knowledge to deliver engaging lessons which will support your progression and help you gain excellent outcomes.

A high percentage of those who apply to university within the department reach their chosen destination



ENRICHMENT

Our Academic Academy and Oxbridge Support Programmes are designed to stretch, challenge and support ambitious and talented students. Discover more on page 12.



In an increasingly complicated and interconnected world, it is essential that we encourage students to engage, collaborate and be critical of the information they consume.

Flora Thomas-Kamali
Head of Faculty

ENRICHMENT

EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION - EPQ

TRURO PENWITH

● **Why choose this qualification?**
If you want to develop study and research skills to support your studies and progression to university, this independent research project is for you. The techniques you will learn, such as reflection, critical analysis and presentation of results, will support your progression into employment.

● **What can I expect?**
The EPQ allows you to tailor your project to fit your individual needs, choices, and aspirations. The qualification comprises of two main parts: a taught element that includes project management, research techniques, application of reflective learning and presentation techniques. These sessions, alongside supervision from your tutor, support you in creating a portfolio documenting your own research project.

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CLASSICAL CIVILISATION A LEVEL

TRURO

Studying Classical Civilisation gives you an understanding of some of the most engaging literature, architecture and art ever produced, as well of some of the greatest individuals and most significant historical events of the Greek and Roman worlds.

● **Why choose this course?**
Classical Civilisation is an engaging course that explores aspects of ancient Greek and Roman culture: literature, mythology, war, propaganda, architecture, art, philosophy, and society. In many respects, ancient Greece and Rome were the harbingers of what we call "civilisation", and their legacy continues to this day in all aspects of our daily life. The combined effects of Greek and Roman culture have long inspired academics as well as interested readers to delve deeply into their culture, resplendent as it is in warrior heroes, philosophers, literary geniuses, and architectural innovators. This course is an opportunity to explore the first great western civilisations and understand the impact they still have on western culture in particular, especially regarding language, history, philosophy, architecture, theatre, and politics.

● **Where will it take me?**
This A Level is a highly regarded qualification by both Higher Education establishments and employers. You could go on to study a range of Classics degree courses or related courses at university level.

CRIMINOLOGY LEVEL 3 APPLIED DIPLOMA A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

TRURO PENWITH

This course examines why people commit crime, how society deals with criminals and the ways in which crime can be prevented. It is an exciting option for anyone interested in the study of criminology and those considering a career working in the Criminal Justice System.

● **Why choose this course?**
This course is equivalent to one A Level and it has been designed to be part of a typical two-year study programme, alongside A Levels. Criminology considers theories that explain why people commit crime in the first place and the types of offences carried out by individuals and groups. It also examines how our perceptions (the way we see crime) develop and change over time, and how we become aware of new forms of crime. The course also explores how the Criminal Justice System works by looking at each of its individual components in detail, including the police, courts, prison, and the probation service. Criminology has elements of sociology, psychology and law and can be studied alongside these A Level subjects. It offers a fascinating insight into the world of crime, the causes of crime, and how to effectively prevent it.

● **Where will it take me?**
Successful completion of the course is a good foundation for entry into higher education. This applies particularly to degrees including Criminology, Sociology, Psychology and Forensic Science.

GEOGRAPHY A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

Geography is a key discipline relevant to understanding the world's changing places and peoples. You will also develop a sense of achievement as you grow as a critical, independent thinker and as an informed and engaged citizen.

● **Why choose this course?**
Do you have a keen interest in our ever-evolving world? This course provides an exciting issues-based investigation of both physical and human aspects of the subject. Applying your geographical knowledge, understanding and skills to the world around you, you will engage critically with a wide range of contemporary issues such as tectonic hazards, climate change, resource sustainability, globalisation, and superpowers. As Michael Palin (former President of the Royal Geographical Society) has said: "Geography explains the past, illuminates the present and prepares us for the future. What could be more important than that?"

● **Where will it take me?**
A qualification in Geography is highly regarded by universities and employers. Our students progress onto a range of degree courses including Geopolitics, International Relations, and Town Planning. Geography is an excellent subject to complement many other courses such as Environmental Studies, Politics and Sociology. An A Level in Geography can lead to varied, rewarding, careers.



PROGRESS WITH US AT OUR UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- HND Applied Psychology
- FdSc Archaeology
- FdA History, Heritage & Culture
- FdSc Youth, Social & Community Studies
- BSc (Hons) Applied Social Science (top-up)
- BSc (Hons) Archaeology (top-up)
- BA (Hons) Human Behavioural Studies (top-up)

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Find your course
and apply online

MEDIEVAL HISTORY A LEVEL

TRURO

The study of History helps us understand and explain the past and is a fascinating subject. The research, evaluation and analytical skills acquired, are desirable in Higher Education and employment. You will also develop your understanding of major world events.

● Why choose this course?

During this course, you will gain many skills regarded highly by universities and employers, such as research, planning, analysis, evaluation, and essay writing. You will study the tumultuous Tudor Age, exploring key changes under Henry VIII to Elizabeth I, such as the development of the Church in England. The second unit looks at a dramatic Golden Age for Spain from its creation and Age of Discovery, through to it becoming a Great Power under Philip II. History also complements many other A Level subjects such as Classical Civilisation, English Literature, Religious Studies, Politics, Law, and Fine Art.

● Where will it take me?

An A Level in History is highly respected by universities and employers. Our students progress to a variety of university courses including the University Centre Truro and Penwith's FdA History, Heritage, and Culture degree. Students of History gain access to a wide variety of careers including Business, Law, Marketing, Media, Politics, Teaching, Research, Archaeology, Museums and Curatorship.

MODERN HISTORY A LEVEL

TRURO

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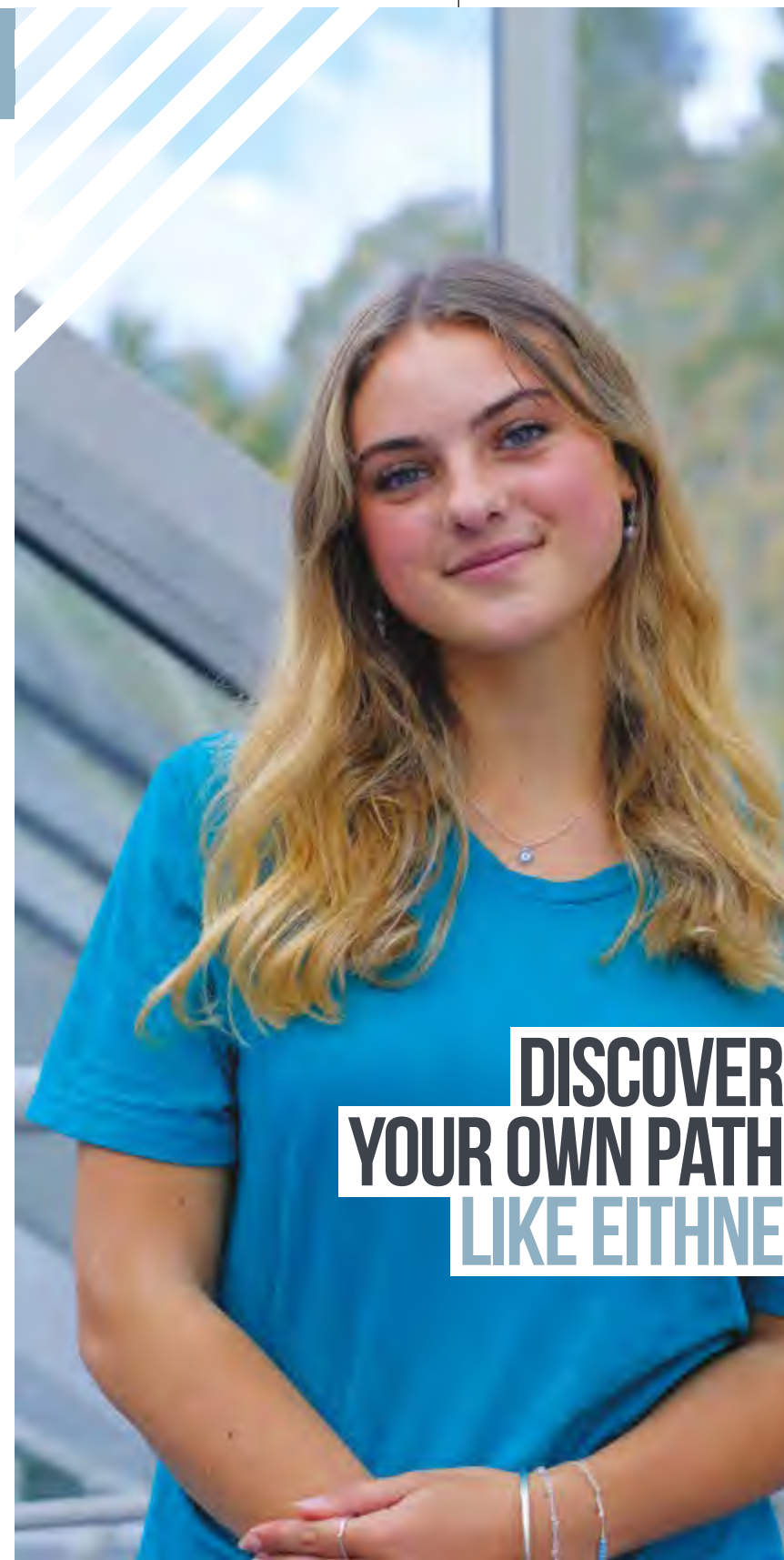
Modern History is a highly respected subject by many universities and employers alike. You will gain an understanding of how historical events have shaped the world we live in today. You will also develop analysis and essay writing skills.

● Why choose this course?

In Modern History A Level, you will study the rise and fall of the British Empire 1857 - 1967. This provides an interesting contrast to the second module - At Truro the rise and fall of Weimar and Nazi Germany 1918 - 1945 is studied while Penwith students will cover the Cold War from 1945 to 1991. The third module is a Non-Examined Assessment on the USA 1763 - 1865, when the USA won its freedom from Britain then descended into Civil War. While studying these modules, you will develop transferrable skills that will carry through to university and employment, particularly research, planning, and evaluation. History also complements many other A Level subjects such as Politics, Classical Civilisation, English Literature, Geography, Law, and Economics.

● Where will it take me?

A Level History students typically progress to a variety of university courses, including the University Centre Truro and Penwith's FdA History, Heritage and Culture foundation degree. Career opportunities are varied, including careers in Business, Law, Marketing, Media, Teaching, Research, Journalism, and Politics.



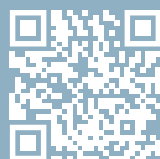
“ The lecturers give you good support, and you get a lot of extra opportunities from the College. I'd advise you to choose a course that you enjoy because that's the most important thing.



EITHNE studied Psychology and Biology A Levels alongside the Extended Certificate in Music Performance.

The College gave Eithne a lot of insight into career opportunities for when she completed her studies, as well as assistance with applying for university and writing a personal statement.

She is now taking a gap year which she will spend travelling and working, before heading to Cardiff University to study Psychology.



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POLITICS A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

Are you interested in studying an ever-changing and engaging subject, relevant to real-world events? Studying A Level Politics will give you an enhanced understanding of the world around you and who shapes the structures and manifestations of power.

● Why choose this course?

This course will begin with helping to provide an understanding of British politics and an introduction to the key ideologies in politics. In the second year, you will study global politics to examine the key concepts of the course and how they operate on the macro level between states and intergovernmental organisations. Politics is constantly changing, and you will be required to keep abreast of those changes; this makes Politics a dynamic and interesting subject. This, combined with the course content, will enable you to reflect on your own political beliefs in a structured and rigorous way.

● Where will it take me?

A qualification in Politics is highly valued by many universities and employers alike. The subject is also an excellent complement to many courses, such as History, Sociology, Law, Philosophy, Economics and English. Career opportunities include working for the Civil Service, local councils, legal firms, and armed forces. Other employers may welcome those with A Level Politics direct from college.

PSYCHOLOGY A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

If you are interested in people and curious to explore reasons for their behaviour, then this is the course for you. Successful Psychology students are scientists and apply objective research methods to answer fundamental questions about human beings.

● Why choose this course?

Successful Psychology students have an appetite for understanding how scientific principles can be applied to human behaviour and high achieving Psychology students develop analytical and problem-solving skills, have a keen eye for detail and enjoy using evidence to develop academic arguments. Alongside psychological concepts and theories, you will acquire desirable soft skills such as communication, team working and relationship building, and specific competences in data collection, statistical analysis and report writing. Psychology is unique in that it fits well with a wide range of other subjects from the Arts and Sciences.

● Where will it take me?

Whatever your career path, from Medicine to Law, Media to Business, Sport to Teaching or Criminology, Psychology provides you with an excellent foundation and a host of transferable skills essential for the modern world of work. Psychology is a valuable Social Science A Level providing a background for various employment opportunities including HR, Marketing, Teaching and Health and Social Care.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

Religious Studies invites you to explore philosophical beliefs that have shaped Western civilisation. The course provides a critical understanding of ideas about the self, the world we live in, moral values and the meaning of life and death.

● Why choose this course?

Within this course, you will consider how Religion, Ethics and Philosophy are intertwined within culture, law, medicine, social care, environment, and politics. This course will provide you with a range of transferable skills essential for the modern workplace, such as essay writing, analysis and evaluation. You will be trained in the application of rigorous logic through the development of a wide variety of skills including independent critical thought, analytical reasoning, and persuasive communication. Lectures often involve discussion and debate following learning on the perspectives of key philosophers and theologians.

● Where will it take me?

Throughout the course, you will develop a wide range of invaluable skills that will enable you to succeed within A Level Religious Studies, your studies beyond college and a plethora of future careers. Religious Studies is widely respected by universities and employers alike.

SOCIOLOGY A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

Sociology attempts to explain human behaviour and the world around us. For example, why people commit crime, underachieve at school, or join religious cults. It is a subject that should make you ask questions about the society you live in.

● Why choose this course?

A Level Sociology will introduce you to points of view on society, including those which largely approve of the way it works (Functionalism) to those which argue for change (Marxism and Feminism). In Sociology, much of what we investigate is open to interpretation; it is therefore desirable if you enjoy discussions and debates. You must also like reading and writing as these are essential elements of the course. By studying Sociology, you will learn to think critically and independently about society and your place in it, gain the tools to think for yourself, and develop an informed understanding of the world around you.

● Where will it take me?

A qualification in Sociology is highly valued by many universities and employers alike. Sociology is also an excellent subject to complement many courses, such as English, Psychology, Politics, Economics, History and Education. Studying Sociology opens the door to a fantastic range of interesting and rewarding careers, such as Teaching, Counselling, Human Resources or Journalism.



HOW FAR
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GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Geography - Bath Spa University
Global Development & Sustainability - Bath Spa University
Politics & International Relations - Bristol, UWE
Psychology with Criminology - Bristol, UWE
Sociology & Social Policy - Cardiff Metropolitan University
Ancient, Medieval & Modern History - Durham University
War Studies - King's College London
Applied Psychology - University Centre Truro & Penwith
Social Anthropology - The University of Edinburgh
Theology, Religion & Philosophy of Religion - University of Cambridge

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IB DIPLOMA



CHOOSE THE IB DIPLOMA FOR A BROAD BASE OF SUBJECTS AND A HIGHLY REGARDED ROUTE TO UNIVERSITY.

The IB Diploma is a great option for academic progression while keeping your options open. Study six subjects, three at a higher level, alongside a Theory of Knowledge course and Creativity, Action and Service (CAS) projects.



GO FURTHER KEEPING YOUR FUTURE OPTIONS OPEN

As an academic all-rounder, you will have enjoyed studying a range of subjects at GCSE and will want to continue to do so at a higher level with this excellent alternative to A Levels.

You will be part of an enthusiastic and pro-active group of students and will develop your understanding, respect and compassion alongside your studies.

You will develop the skills that top universities desire and that will ensure you excel when you get there. The IB Diploma will nurture your identity as a global citizen and widen your horizons.

In 2025, students achieved an average point score of 35.29 with nearly a quarter of the cohort achieving 40 points, equivalent to four A*s at A level, or more.

Internationalism

The IB Diploma actively promotes international mindedness with many IB students developing an interest in the wider world, and you have a chance to take part in the annual visit to Eswatini for the Shewula Orphan Project. You could see for yourself how the £100,000 plus already raised by Truro College IB students has been invested and work with your fellow students to decide on which future aspects of the project the money is to be used.



“ I always thought the IB was for the really academic students - the straight A* people. I didn't feel like I was that kind of person. But I chose the IB because I wanted to push myself, keep my options open, and be around people I could learn from. ”

Louis never thought he was capable of being a high achiever, but took on the IB to push his limits. Surrounded by supportive lecturers and inspiring classmates, his journey has taken him from self-doubt to success, achieving 31 points and now opening opportunities to study Medicine. His journey proves the IB is for anyone willing to try.

FANTASTIC STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT



EXCEL WITH US

In 2025, Truro College IB Diploma students achieved an incredible 98% pass rate, well above the latest published global average of 80%.

ONE OF THE LARGEST PROVIDERS OF THE IB DIPLOMA IN THE UK AND THE ONLY ONE IN CORNWALL



ACADEMIC SUCCESS

The IB Diploma continues to produce excellent outcomes and students regularly progress to the very top universities in the country including Oxford, Cambridge and the Russell Group universities.



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The IB is a dynamic course offering academic breadth and depth. It facilitates meaningful learning experiences inside and outside the classroom, independent learning skills, the ability to think critically and cultivates an international mindset.

Paul Gill
IB Diploma Coordinator



IB DIPLOMA

TRURO

The International Baccalaureate Diploma is a two-year Level 3 course that students with diverse interests may consider as an excellent alternative to A Levels.

● Why choose this course?

The IB offers a broad curriculum and allows you to keep your options open. If you are inquisitive about the world around you and want to continue to study a wider range of academic subjects than other post-16 options, then the IB may be the right choice for you. The IB offers academic breadth and depth, creates independent learners, cultivates an international mindset and encourages critical thinking. The Diploma is an internationally recognised university entry qualification, offered in 159 countries throughout the world. It is fully recognised by all UK universities. As interest in the IB grows, more institutions are offering the Diploma. Truro College is the only provider of this programme in Cornwall, and it is one of the biggest and most successful in the UK.

You will study three subjects at Higher Level (H) and three subjects at Standard Level (S), follow a Theory of Knowledge course which stimulates critical reflection on the knowledge and experience gained inside and outside College, and undertake original research to investigate a topic of special interest and present findings in an extended essay. All students are involved in Creativity, Action and Service (CAS) projects.

There are six subject Groups, each containing a number of courses from which you choose your preferred subjects. The Groups are:

Group 1: Studies in Language and Literature

English Literature (H & S)

Group 2: Language Acquisition

French (H & S)

Spanish (H & S)

Spanish (ab initio) (S)

Group 3: Individuals and Societies

Geography (H & S)

Global Politics (H & S)

History (H & S)

Psychology (H & S)

Group 3/4

Environmental Systems and

Societies (S)

Group 4: Experimental Sciences

Biology (H)

Chemistry (H)

Group 5: Mathematics

Mathematics: Applications and Interpretations (H & S)

Mathematics: Analysis and

Approaches (H & S)

Group 6: The Arts

Theatre (H & S)

(or a choice from one of the other subjects in groups 3 or 4)

● Induction:

Each September, on the day before Year 1 students officially start their courses, the new IB students get together for a day out at Tomperrow Scout Camp. By the end of this day you will have shared time outside the academic environment - travelling, problem-solving, eating and invariably getting wet! So, when lessons start, you will be surrounded by familiar and friendly faces.

● CAS Residential:

At the end of the first half term, students are taken on the IB Residential. You will stay for two nights at a youth hostel on the coast, enjoying activities that may include anything from ephemeral beach art, beach cooking, volunteering at the hostel or simply walking the coast path. The experience of living together - cooking, eating, working and keeping each other entertained - helps to form relationships that last beyond the two years of the IB programme.

● Internationalism:

"Beyond intellectual rigour and high academic standards, strong emphasis is placed on the ideals of international understanding and responsible citizenship... IB students may become informed participants in local and world affairs, conscious of the shared humanity that binds all people together, while respecting the variety of cultures and attitudes that makes for the richness of life." (Taken from the IBO mission statement.)

We seek to follow this educational philosophy primarily through the curriculum itself. For example, through global topics studied in Group 3, through studying a foreign language in Group 2, and through sampling a range of literature from around the world in Group 1. In Groups 4 and 5 (Maths and Sciences), we are also keen to promote internationalism through project work and looking at the work of international cooperative research.

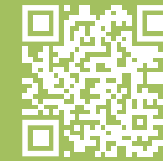
On the IB, you will also have the opportunity to travel. In addition to participating in language exchanges in France and Spain, IB students have travelled on field trips to Iceland and Toronto (Geography) and Eswatini (CAS). None of these trips are compulsory; yet many IB students have been able to broaden their horizons by taking part in an overseas visit during their time at Truro College.

Responsible citizenship is encouraged by the CAS programme and this has found an international dimension through the Shewula Project (otherwise known as Boom Shewula Wula!). Following annual visits to the remote Shewula region on the Eswatini/Mozambique border since 2001, IB students have set up a fund to support schools for orphans of AIDS victims and a scheme to sponsor the education of individual Swazi children. This is an ongoing project and a further visit to Eswatini is planned.

While you don't need to be committed to internationalism to study the IB, many students do develop an interest in the wider world. Some hope to eventually study/work abroad and many plan to take a gap year abroad.

● Where will it take me?

The IB Diploma programme at Truro College continues to produce excellent outcomes for students. IB Diploma students regularly progress to the very top universities, including Oxford, Cambridge, the Russell Group universities and others. The variety of subjects chosen for university study - from Medicine to International Relations - reflects the diverse range of possibilities available following the IB Diploma.



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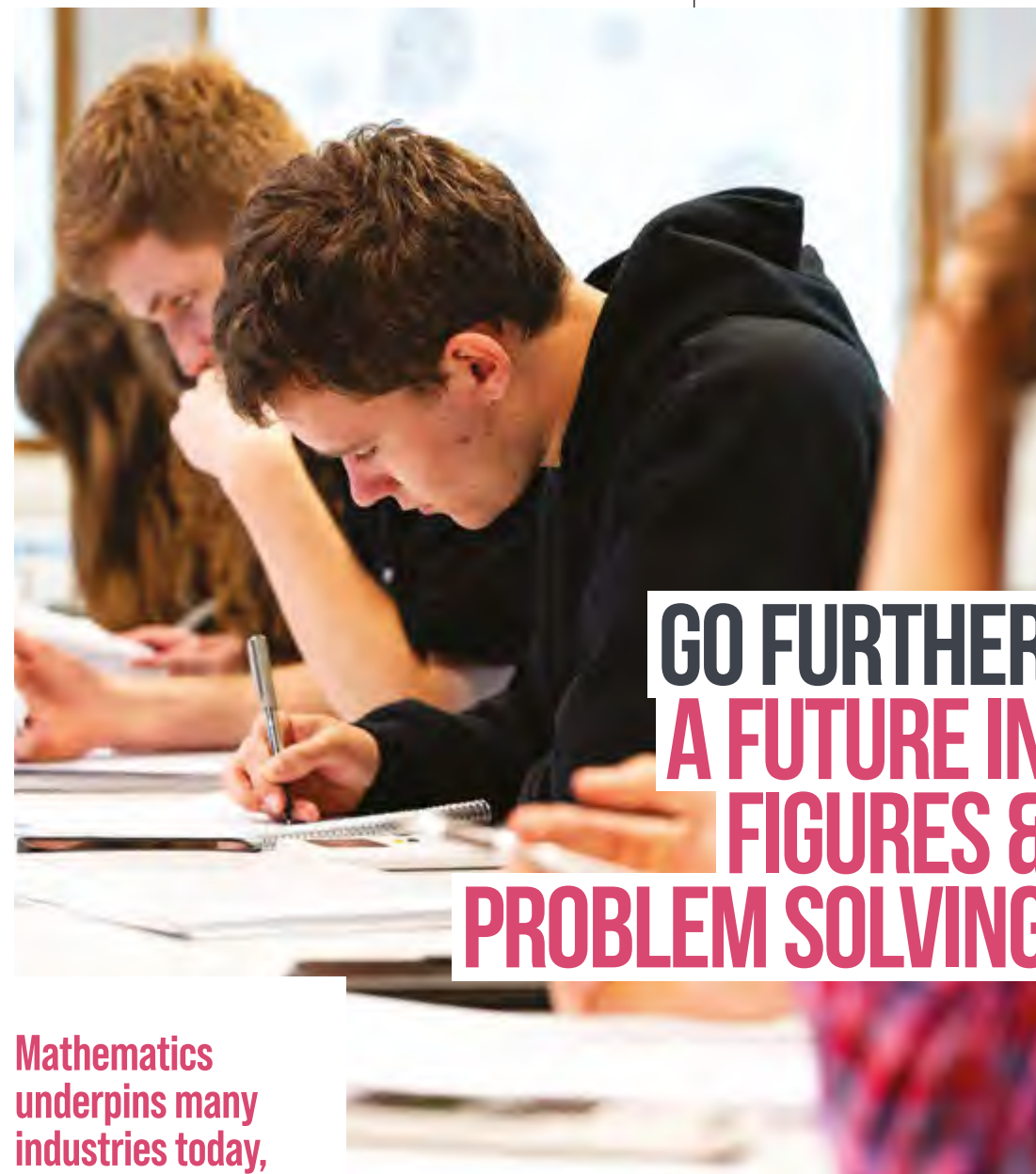
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MATHEMATICS



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Accountancy
- Actuarial Science
- Banking
- Construction
- Cyber Security
- Data Analysis
- Engineering
- Film Animation
- Financial Trading
- GCHQ
- Investment Banking
- Medicine
- Physics
- Teaching



**GO FURTHER
A FUTURE IN
FIGURES &
PROBLEM SOLVING**

Mathematics underpins many industries today, forming foundations for technology, engineering, construction, science and medicine.

You will benefit from the College's promotion of excellence in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) through development and experiences.

You will be taught by Maths specialists who are experts in their subject. Problem solving is a crucial skill and Maths is the most versatile and useful qualification you can have.

You could test your knowledge and ability skills against other students across the country and compete in the UK Senior Mathematical Challenge.



PROGRESSION SUCCESS

Large numbers of A Level Mathematics and Further Mathematics learners had successful applications to universities across a wide range of subjects, including 44% to Russell Group universities.

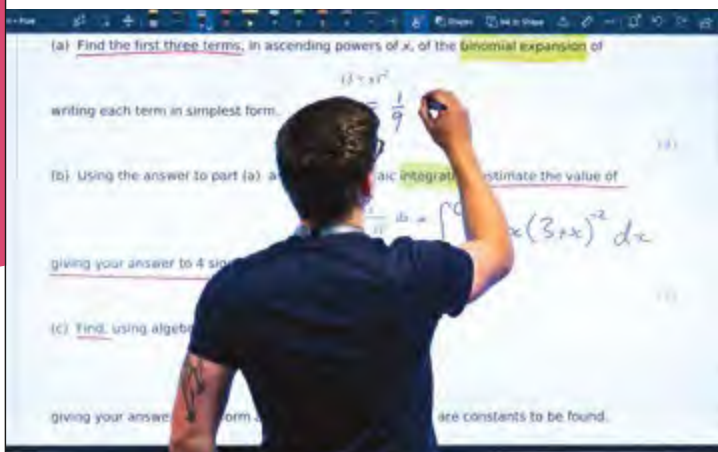
The Russell Group is an association of 24 prestigious British public research universities. They are committed to the highest levels of academic excellence in both teaching and research.

EXCEL WITH US

77% of our A Level Mathematics students achieved a grade A*-C; 14.5% higher than the national FE college average.

MATHS MASTERCLASS

Truro and Penwith College is host to the Cornwall Branch of the Royal Institute's Mathematics Masterclasses.



GREAT STUDENT FEEDBACK

We receive very high levels of positive feedback from student surveys about the quality of teaching and learning across all courses, relevance of the curriculum, teaching staff expertise, and the effectiveness of instructional methods.

LEADING THE CORNWALL AND WEST DEVON MATHS HUB

Truro and Penwith College leads the Cornwall and West Devon Maths Hub as one of only 40 Maths Hubs nationally.



TAKE THE CHALLENGE

A Level Mathematics and Further Mathematics students are encouraged to participate in national competitions like the UK Mathematics Senior Challenge and the UKMT Maths Olympiad for Girls. The faculty also offers tailored support for potential Oxbridge candidates through dedicated preparation sessions.



Maths is one of the most valuable A Levels for transferrable skills and future earnings potential.

Naomi Johns-Dyer
Head of Faculty



COURSES



See more career pathways
on our website

MATHEMATICS A LEVEL

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By studying Mathematics, you will find your future open to a wealth of possibilities. You will gain excellent applicable and transferable knowledge that is desired over a wide range of professional roles, whilst challenging and stimulating your brain.

● Why choose this course?

This course will encourage you to develop your mathematical skills, improve your ability to think logically and enable you to determine solutions to a wide range of problems. If you enjoyed studying GCSE Maths, particularly the more algebraic topics, and would like to significantly improve your mathematical skills, then this would be an ideal subject for you. At this level, Mathematics is all about applying your knowledge to solve problems in real-life situations. You need to be logical so that you can follow a mathematical argument, and you need to be creative so that you can look for different ways to apply your skills to solve a problem.

● Where will it take me?

The course provides an excellent preparation for a wide range of university courses, such as Engineering, Sciences, Medicine, Accountancy, Architecture and Computer Science. It is also considered to be a facilitating subject for many other courses. Mathematics is a versatile qualification that is well respected by employers.

FURTHER MATHEMATICS A LEVEL

TRURO

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Do you want to develop a deep understanding of big ideas and know 'why' and not just 'how'? Do you want a stimulating and challenging course that will develop key skills such as problem-solving, logical reasoning, communication and resilience?

● Why choose this course?

Further Mathematics provides an excellent preparation for a wide range of university courses as well as being a versatile qualification that is well respected by employers. Further Mathematics is an essential requirement for many degree level Mathematics courses. By studying Further Mathematics, you will increase your knowledge and understanding of mathematical techniques and their applications as well as enhancing your study of other subjects, in particular Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Geography, Psychology, Economics, Business Studies and PE. Further Mathematics is designed to stretch and challenge able young mathematicians by introducing you to new techniques and concepts, such as complex numbers and matrices, as well as studying material from A Level Mathematics in greater depth.

● Where will it take me?

A qualification in Further Mathematics is highly valued by many universities and employers. It is also an excellent subject to complement your other studies.

MATHEMATICAL STUDIES - CORE MATHS LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE HALF A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

TRURO

Core Maths is for students who are not taking A Level Maths but wish to continue developing their mathematical skills. You will increase your confidence in using mathematics, to be better equipped for the mathematical demands of other courses, higher education, and employment.

● Why choose this course?

Mathematical skills are becoming increasingly important in the workplace and in higher education. Studying Core Maths will help you to keep up these essential skills. Core Maths has been designed to maintain and develop real-life mathematical skills. The course is not just purely theoretical or abstract, it can be applied on a day-to-day basis, whether in work, study, or life in general. Core Maths can help with other subjects, in particular with sciences, geography, business studies, economics, psychology and engineering. It includes a financial element and will help you understand real life finances such as tax, national insurance, and mortgages.

● Where will it take me?

A qualification in Core Maths is valued by many universities and employers. The skills developed in Mathematics are increasingly important in the workplace and in Higher Education.



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HOW FAR
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UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Accounting & Financial Management - Loughborough University
Engineering Mathematics - University of Bristol
Finance & Investment Banking - University of Greenwich
Financial Mathematics - Cardiff University
Mathematics - University of Cambridge
Mathematics & Music - Cardiff University
Mathematics & Physics - University of Bristol
Mathematics & Statistics - University of Oxford
Mathematics, Operational Research & Statistics - Cardiff University
Mathematics, Statistics & Data Science - University of Bath

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MEDIA



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Camera Operation & Video
- Film & Television
- Screenwriting
- Visual Effects
- Design
- Editing
- Media Marketing
- Social Media Management
- Public Relations
- Events Management
- Presenting
- Fine Art
- Broadcast, Print & Online
- Journalism

GO FURTHER IN THE CREATIVE MEDIA



Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Screen Cornwall
- Bosena Film Company
- Cornwall Film Festival
- Falmouth University
- Learning on Screen
- Cornwall Film Festival
- UAL Origins Creatives
- ITV Academy
- Royal Cornwall Museum
- Transport for Cornwall
- Freeriders Surf Shop
- Cornish Orchards
- Callestick Farm
- Fair Earth Foundation
- Screenology Film School
- University of South Wales

Behind the camera or on the screen, analysis and creativity come together in these constantly evolving, exciting mediums.

You may explore the richness of the history of cinema or explore modern techniques to capture a breathtaking moment.

In the studio, cinema, outside with the amazing panorama of Cornwall to inspire you, or travelling further afield to London, Rome or New York - your view of life through a lens will be enriched.

Our range of challenging and exciting courses will help you develop the skills that are important in our contemporary world. With access to high-quality, industry-standard resources and facilities the courses draw on the best academic traditions while incorporating practical vocational skills.



OUTSTANDING FACILITIES

You will have access to high quality resources and facilities such as our upgraded TV studios, creative media editing suite and creative craft studio - all supported, managed and maintained by experienced technical support staff.

BE INSPIRED

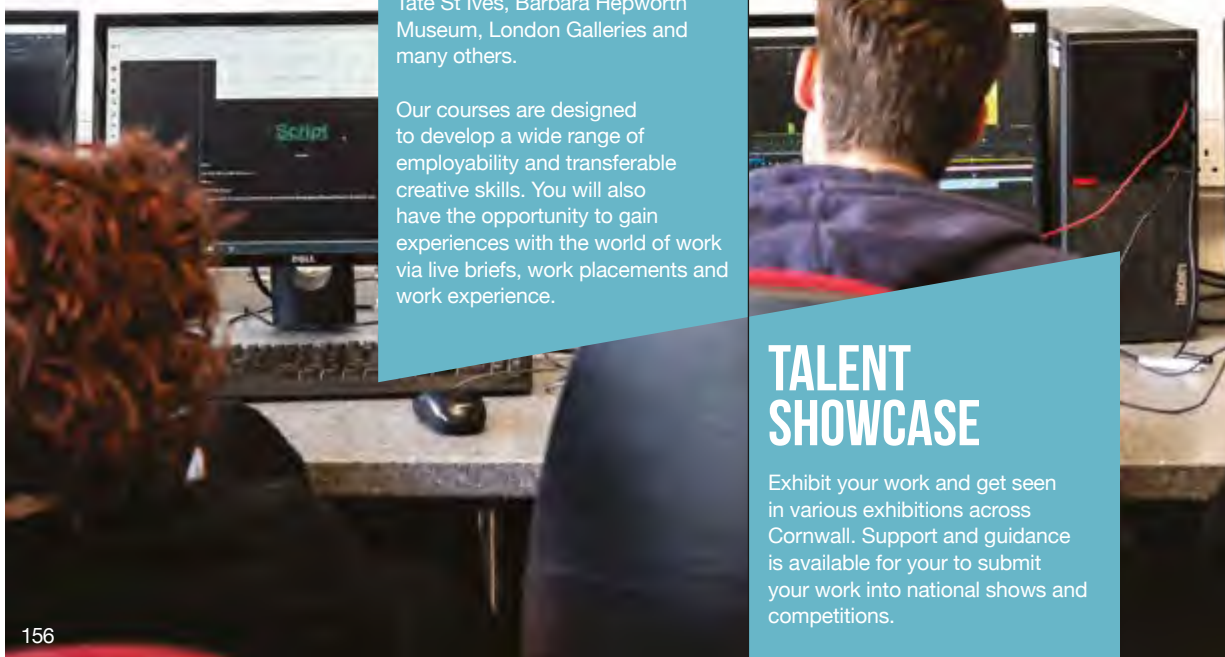
Benefit from exposure to a range of industry professionals in talks and workshops. Be inspired with off-site creative excursions to Bristol, Tate St Ives, Barbara Hepworth Museum, London Galleries and many others.

Our courses are designed to develop a wide range of employability and transferable creative skills. You will also have the opportunity to gain experiences with the world of work via live briefs, work placements and work experience.



TALENT SHOWCASE

Exhibit your work and get seen in various exhibitions across Cornwall. Support and guidance is available for you to submit your work into national shows and competitions.



BE A PART OF THE BOOMING CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

Start your journey in the creative industries that contribute more than £100 billion to the economy. Our curriculum compliments the Local Enterprise Partnerships (LEP) priority of enabling students to pursue careers in the strong creative industries sector in Cornwall.



GAMES SUCCESS

Our highly regarded Level 3 Diploma in Games Design boasts high levels of successful progression to related university courses.



Our innovative visual arts qualifications offer exciting, relevant and challenging opportunities, intended to nurture your creative knowledge, understanding and skills.

Lee Clark Head of Faculty

COURSES

FILM STUDIES A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

Fancy being the next Quentin Tarantino, Lynne Ramsay, or Christopher Nolan? Studying Film could put you on the right path. Start building your lifelong relationship with film by choosing Film Studies A Level.

● Why choose this course?

There is so much more to Film Studies than simply watching films. When watching a film, we might regard it as relaxation or escapism. However, the in-depth study of film involves coming from a very different starting point. As well as gaining an appreciation of film as an art form in terms of its visual storytelling, studying film can enhance your understanding of the world in terms of competing values, attitudes, and beliefs. Our course also incorporates a creative production element where you will be able to put what you have learned into practice by making a short film or writing a screenplay.

● Where will it take me?

You can progress from this A Level to a creative art or visual culture-based degree. Film Studies is valued by many universities and employers alike and is also an excellent subject to complement to many courses, such as Media, English, Psychology, Sociology, Photography, and Art and Design. Career paths include practical avenues such as Filmmaking, Directing, Producing & Editing but a qualification in Film also allows you to move into theoretical pathways such as Film Criticism, Journalism, Teaching and Education.

MEDIA STUDIES A LEVEL

TRURO PENWITH

Media is all around us, from the news we consume to the social media we scroll through. Studying media helps you develop critical thinking skills to analyse these messages and understand how they shape our society and culture.

● Why choose this course?

Media Studies is an extremely enjoyable and worthwhile subject to study but expect to be constantly challenged and excited by the course. Media studies challenges the way that you consume media and will allow you to take a look at and question a whole list of issues such as representation of groups in society and how audiences respond to these issues. In addition, the development of deeper critical and creative thinking gained by studying the media can enhance many different career paths and is a much sought-after transferable skill in both employment and further study.

● Where will it take me?

Successful completion of the course can lead to further study in all areas of the media such as a variety of degree courses at university, including Journalism, Graphic Design, Advertising, and PR. You will not only develop practical skills and a critical awareness of the media but also employability skills such as communication and interpersonal skills, organisational and problem-solving skills as well as research and presentation skills.



**GET
CONNECTED**

“The course really matched my interests and helped confirm what I was passionate about. This opportunity helped me network with journalists, connect with media teams from other clubs, and build real-world industry relationships.”

JESSIE studied the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology.

Although she had initially considered A Levels, Jessie found that the Creative Media course offered everything she was looking for. During her time at College, Jessie gained hands-on experience through a work placement with Penzance AFC. Alongside two classmates, she helped manage the club's social media presence taking the lead on photography and videography.

Jessie is now heading to the University of Gloucestershire to specialise in Photojournalism and Documentary Photography - a path shaped by her time at College and the opportunities she embraced.

**LIKE
JESSIE**



**PROGRESS WITH US
AT OUR UNIVERSITY
CENTRE**

- FdA Film, Media & Photography
- BA (Hons) Applied Media

COURSES



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CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION & TECHNOLOGY UAL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

This course will introduce you to the basics of digital imaging and media production. The course is designed to develop basic visual exploration, inspire simple creative practice, promote independent study, and develop elementary skills in research, planning and time management.

● Why choose this course?

Throughout the world, the creative industries are booming. As working practices and technologies evolve, jobs in this sector will be some of the most resilient in the face of increasing automation. The course will provide you with an introduction to a broad range of creative and technical skills in media production and photography. The qualification has been designed to provide you with a sound base of skills, knowledge and understanding which will enhance your self-confidence and impart an understanding of the career demands and opportunities within the exciting and dynamic creative media industries. During the course, you will learn digital photographic techniques in addition to video production and editing skills.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification will support you to progress to a range of further education courses such as a Level 3 Diploma, Personal and Professional Development, Apprenticeships, or employment.

CREATIVE MEDIA PRODUCTION & TECHNOLOGY UAL LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO PENWITH

This Diploma provides an opportunity for those who have an interest in media to explore, develop and test their creativity within a qualification structure which is stimulating and demanding and provides a supportive transition from general to more specialised study.

● Why choose this course?

This course will help you develop the skills and competencies demanded by employers in the creative industries. Through your studies, you will learn to be a collaborative team player, a confident communicator, creative and innovative, an entrepreneurial problem solver, adaptable in the face of change, be motivated and self-directed as well as developing high level technical skills both traditionally and digitally. You will develop an effective working understanding of media production across a diverse range of assignments and creative activities.

● Where will it take me?

This course is designed to build up your portfolio of work and provide you with the knowledge, skills and understanding necessary to enable you to progress to higher education courses or gain employment in the exciting and dynamic creative media industries in a range of areas.

CREATIVE PRACTICE: ART, DESIGN & COMMUNICATION: GAMES DESIGN LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

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The Level 3 Extended Diploma will provide a comprehensive range of industry skills and software packages, taught over a period of two years, to give you the chance to kick start your career in the games industry.

● Why choose this course?

This course bridges the gap between the needs of the UK's rapidly growing Visual Effects and Games industries, and the skills taught to creative students before they go to university. The Level 3 Diploma is equivalent to three A Levels. Over two years, you will build extensive portfolios relevant to industry needs, in preparation for either working in these sectors or as a progression to higher education or higher Apprenticeships. The limits of what can be produced are only defined by your ability and effort, and Penwith College Games has a rich history of publishing games and winning national awards.

● Where will it take me?

Upon completion of the course, you would have the skills necessary to progress onto many creative industry institutions across the UK.



Also see our Level 3 Diploma in IT - Computing & Games available at Truro College on page 76.



HOW FAR CAN YOU GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Animation & Games - Arts University Plymouth
Film, Television & Digital Production - Bath Spa University
Media Production - Bristol, UWE
Media & Communications - Cardiff Metropolitan University
Practical Filmmaking - Central Film School London
Game Development: Art - Falmouth University
Journalism & Media - Kingston University
Film & Television Studies - University of Exeter
Creative Filmmaking - Plymouth Marjon University
Film, Media & Photography - University Centre Truro & Penwith



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MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Music Performance
- Dance Performance
- Live Sound Production
- Choreography
- Acting
- Theatre Direction
- Lighting & Set Design
- Stage Management
- Music Production
- Events Management
- Script Writing
- Television
- Song Writing & Composition
- Mixing
- Session Music

GO FURTHER IN SOUND, STAGE & SCREEN



Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Allen and Heath
- Little Miss Music Management,
- SW1 Productions
- Hall for Cornwall
- The Music Hub
- Screen Cornwall
- Bosena Film Company
- Cornwall Film Festival
- Falmouth University

**You will be joining
a vibrant and
dynamic faculty
with opportunities
to showcase your
talents in one of the
many performance
spaces within the
College, or beyond.**

As part of the artistic community that Cornwall is celebrated for, all the world really is your stage. Supported by experienced lecturers and technicians, your course will give you a solid foundation from which to springboard your talents.

Bands, theatre directors and actors, screen actors, dancers and West End performers have all emerged from this exciting department and we keenly await the chance to see your talents.

KEY SKILLS

All courses within the department develop and promote key transferable skills needed for progression including a focus on creativity, resilience, confidence, teamwork, creative problem-solving, critical engagement, leadership and communication.



ENRICHMENT

Our strong enrichment options include the Jazz Academy, Live Events, Music Technology, Rock Band, Music for Media, Vocals and Strings as well as Drama and Dance.

FIRST-CLASS FACILITIES

Students learn in fantastic, well-equipped theatres, dance studios, practice rooms, performance studios, recording suite and music technology rooms.

Equipment includes a 96 Channel DMX Lighting rig, Behringer X32 and Allen and Heath Digital sound mixing desks, projection mapping software, rehearsal rooms with full back line, 4K video cameras and much more. All are equipped with up-to-date software so students gain industry relevant experience.

YOUR STEPPING-STONE TO A CAREER IN THE PERFORMING ARTS

There are lots of opportunities to develop your performance to the highest level thanks to teaching staff who work locally and nationally in the industry as composers, singers and performers. Students successfully progress to the country's top Music and Performing Arts institutions.



EXCEL WITH US

21.4% of our students studying A Level Dance achieved the top grade of an A*; this is 13.8% above the national average. 50% of A Level Music Technology students gained an A* or A; 26% higher than the national average. 21% of our Extended Diploma Music students achieved the very top Triple Distinction Star grade.



The dedication, experience and industry-related skills of the teaching team, combined with up-to-date resources and highly talented students create one of the most accomplished Performing Arts faculties in the country.

Lee Clark Head of Faculty

ACADEMIES



DANCE ACADEMY - HIGH PERFORMANCE

TRURO

● Why choose this Academy?

Are you ready to take your dance journey to the next level? Dance Academy offers a transformative experience designed for young dancers who are serious about their craft and hungry for opportunity.

● What can I expect?

Join a vibrant community of passionate dancers who inspire and support each other. Collaborate on choreography, group projects, and creative showcases that celebrate individuality and teamwork. Alongside regular classes, dancers benefit from exclusive workshops with industry professionals and the chance to experience inspiring live performances. Whether you're looking to refine your craft or explore new styles, our Dance Academy offers a supportive environment to grow and shine.

JAZZ ACADEMY

TRURO

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● Why choose this Academy?

The Jazz band is a hugely popular option for musicians who are keen to learn to perform in a larger jazz ensemble and develop both performance as well as improvisational jazz solo skills.

● What can I expect?

The group is open to you regardless of instrument whether it be brass, woodwind, guitar, bass, keyboard, drums or vocals, and the purpose will be to build a repertoire of jazz standards as well as some other funk, soul, and popular jazz covers. You will have the opportunity to work collaboratively and develop some technical theory to enhance your soloing if that is something you are interested in. Musicians should have some experience and interest in jazz or improvisation, and chart or sight reading is recommended.



COURSES

DANCE A LEVEL

TRURO

This course provides the opportunity to fully explore the subject of Dance in both a practical and theoretical way, allowing you to develop essential performance and creative skills and to extend your knowledge and understanding of Dance as an art form.

● Why choose this course?

If you enjoy dancing, creating routines and are inquisitive about how dance has evolved throughout history, then the dance specification will stretch and challenge you by providing valuable opportunities for you to develop as both a practitioner and commentator of the subject. A Level Dance is a dynamic qualification which encourages you to develop both your creative and intellectual capacity, alongside transferable skills such as team working, communication and problem-solving. All of these are sought after skills by higher education and employers and will help you stand out in the workplace. By doing this course, you can enjoy a career that requires creativity, leadership, confidence, and teamwork.

● Where will it take me?

By building both subject specialist and transferable skills, students have progressed onto a range of degree courses and employment. Dance is an excellent subject to complement many courses, such as Drama, Musical Theatre, Art, English Literature, History and Psychology. Dance is a highly valued subject by many universities and employers alike.

DRAMA & THEATRE STUDIES A LEVEL

TRURO

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This course will allow you to learn and work through creative collaboration, expanding your performance knowledge of drama and theatre by making original work whilst also studying influential playwrights, practitioners and theatre companies that make theatre so exciting and diverse.

● Why choose this course?

Do you want to develop your creative potential? Work alongside others in a fun and inspiring way? By building performance, directing and design skills we encourage you to articulate your personal and artistic viewpoints and make exciting, challenging theatre performances. Drama is a collaborative course and will help you to develop important communication skills and confidence, contributing to your personal and social development. Through studying drama, we recognise the important role it plays in helping us to understand social issues, human interaction, and the wider world. You will be inspired by live theatre, experimentation and professional practice and seek to apply these reflections to support your practical and written responses to the plays that we study.

● Where will it take me?

By building transferable skills our students have the option of university to study any degree subject. Popular routes include Drama, English, Media, Education and Humanities or a vocational route such as Drama School to study acting, musical theatre or production.

MUSIC A LEVEL

TRURO

This course allows the student to gain an in-depth understanding of music as a profession and art form and to gain confidence in their performance. This course would be well suited for a creative individual who wants to study further at a conservatory or university.

● Why choose this course?

This course will develop your skill-set and all-round understanding of the world of music. You will learn music composition techniques from a professional composer, performance skills and music theory by studying classical, 20th century and Rock and Pop music. All of these aspects will ensure you have the relevant skills and knowledge you need to pursue your career aspirations. We are successful in getting students into several conservatoires including Guildhall, Royal Academy of Music, Leeds Conservatory, The Royal Welsh, Royal Birmingham, and Trinity Laban to study subjects such as Film Music Composition, Jazz Guitar, Composition and Performance.

● Where will it take me?

This course can be combined successfully with most other A Level subjects. It is a suitable subject for progression to a BMus Degree or to a degree course in which Music forms part of a BA. It is very useful for those intending to teach and can lead to a career in the recording industry, Arts Administration and Performing Arts.



“ Being offered a place on the day at Bird College was something I once thought was unreachable. I was ecstatic and so grateful for everyone who helped me get to that point, including my wonderful lecturers at Truro College. ”

LOLA studies the Level 3 Diploma in Dance.

After a busy audition season, Lola has now received several amazing offers from top conservatoires, including the prestigious Bird College where she will soon be starting her degree in Professional Dance and Musical Theatre.

Along with her passion for dance, Lola also love for singing and acting and one day hopes to perform in the West End.

TURN DREAMS INTO REALITY LIKE LOLA

COURSES



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MUSIC - CLASSICAL LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

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This course gives you valuable development of your knowledge and skills in performing and working with an ensemble. You will have a half-hour instrumental lesson, where you will work through solo performance pieces and performance grades.

● Why choose this course?

This course is at an advanced level and covers many aspects of musicianship. You will further your understanding of the music industry and have an opportunity to apply learning in a practical and realistic way. You will gain confidence by developing your skills as a musician and will learn how to perform a wide range of musical styles and genres. Working with peers, you will create a tailor-made set of music that suits your instrumentation and will perform at live events. You will also learn musical theoretical knowledge that will enhance your performance skills and improve your ensemble.

● Where will it take me?

Students who successfully complete the assessment for the Award will have a qualification equal to one A Level. Together with other A Levels, this will be suitable for progression to Higher Education. The qualification will strengthen the performance aspect of a student's A Level music study and/or give credit to skills and ability.

MUSIC PERFORMANCE & PRODUCTION LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

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This course is undertaken alongside a suite of A levels and is an equivalent A level qualification. You'll be provided with the skills, knowledge and understanding necessary to progress to further study and training in a range of music performance and production disciplines.

● Why choose this course?

Do you love music? Would you like to learn more about performing, working in the industry and producing your own professional tracks? The music industry is one of the driving forces behind the British creative industries that provides some of the most diverse career opportunities and creative challenges, plus it is also really good fun. If you enjoy creating, recording, playing music live with technology, working with other creative minded people on interesting projects, while making a living from all of these, then Music Performance and Production is the option for you.

● Where will it take me?

Music can be combined successfully with most other A Level subjects. You could progress directly from this course to a music-based degree at university, or gain employment as a Musician, Sound Technician, Session Musician, Producer, or Teacher.

MUSIC PERFORMANCE - ROCK & POP LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

TRURO

This course offers you the valuable development of your knowledge and skills in performing and working with a band. You will have a half-hour instrumental lesson, where you will work through grades or your own targeted programme of instrumental study.

● Why choose this course?

This course is at an advanced level and covers many aspects of musicianship. You will further your understanding of the music industry and have an opportunity to apply learning in a practical and realistic way. You will gain confidence by developing your skills as a musician and will learn how to perform a wide range of musical styles and genres. Working with peers, you will develop a set of songs that span popular music from the 1960s through to the present day. You will learn to organise and market your own gigs with the aim of getting your ensemble heard. You will also learn about the variety and stylistic elements of popular music.

● Where will it take me?

Students who successfully complete the assessment for the Award will have a qualification equal to an A Level. Together with other A Levels, this course provides suitable UCAS points for progression to Higher Education.

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MUSIC TECHNOLOGY A LEVEL

TRURO

The A Level in Music Technology will equip any student to become a multi-skilled practitioner of contemporary music composition and sound recording, utilising state-of-the-art recording and production facilities and taught by industry experienced lecturers.

● Why choose this course?

You will be using the latest music programming software and professional recording studios. You will be taught to record, edit, mix, and master sound to the highest of professional standards. You will also be given the opportunity as a musician to play on your own and your peers' recording projects. This qualification will support you in forming personal and meaningful relationships with music technology through the development of musical knowledge, understanding and skills. These include recording, technology-based composition, listening, analysing, and producing. You will be encouraged to engage with a wide range of music technology techniques and develop understanding of the historical and cultural context of the use of music technology.

● Where will it take me?

You could undertake a degree in Music Technology, Acoustics, or Sound Engineering. It can also lead to employment in Sound Recording, Video Game Composition, Sound Design, Live Sound and much more.

PERFORMANCE - MUSICAL THEATRE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

TRURO

The course provides you with a practical and investigative course based on technique and skills building in the three disciplines of singing, acting and dance. Embedded throughout is the theoretical contextual exploration of musical theatre practitioners and their work.

● Why choose this course?

This course is for those who wish to develop their abilities as a performer alongside a variety of other A Levels. You will be assessed through assignments that require you to rehearse and perform set repertoire and devise group performance pieces, whilst identifying technique, style, theme, and context. You will continually develop your ability to research, analyse and evaluate through written assignments and the development of logbooks. Assessment is through coursework-based projects and there is a controlled assessment in which you write an essay on chosen practitioners. The Extended Certificate enables you to gain the equivalent of an A Level, therefore it is an established pathway into a range of degrees.

● Where will it take me?

Together with other A Levels, this course will be suitable for progression into Higher Education. The transferable skills developed on the course provide the skills for a range of progression.

MUSIC LEVEL 2 FIRST CERTIFICATE

TRURO

This course is perfect for students who are passionate about music and interested in developing and improving their performing, writing, and producing skills, with the opportunity to learn more about the fascinating world of popular music and progress to a higher level in the future.

● Why choose this course?

This fast paced one-year programme will provide you with plenty of practical, hands-on learning which will ensure a strong foundation for your future music performance progression. The course is designed to enable you to develop the knowledge and skills required for future employment within the creative sector, whilst at the same time giving you the opportunity to practice and improve your skills in a range of music related areas, from performance to composition. The music industry is evolving and changing at an incredible rate, and there are many opportunities for musicians to forge an exciting career for themselves through different pathways.

● Where will it take me?

Successful completers of the Level 2 Certificate in Music, coupled with a GCSE Grade 4 or above in Maths or English, most often progress onto one of our Level 3 Extended Diploma courses in Music Performance, Music Technology or Live Events Production. These courses lead onto a range of careers within the industry.

MUSIC PERFORMANCE & PRODUCTION UAL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

PENWITH

Are you looking for a practical and creative music course which includes performing on stage and producing your own music? This course allows you to develop a range of professional music industry skills such as composition, listening skills, rehearsal processes and music technology.

● Why choose this course?

The Level 2 Diploma in Music Performance and Production has been developed to provide you with an understanding of Music Performance and Production as a collaborative activity and prepare you for the reality of the sector, as well as give you tools for progression onto Higher Education and into Employment, discussing different paths available to you. The qualification has been designed for students who have an interest in music performance and/or music production or a related subject who wish to explore and extend this interest via a full-time, immersive learning experience.

● Where will it take me?

Successfully completing the course at Merit level will give students the necessary entry requirements for Level 3 study in Music Performance or Music Production. Many students go on to complete BTEC Level 3 Extended Diplomas in either Music Performance or Production, which can then lead to the opportunity to study at Higher Education level.



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Dance & Drama - Liverpool Hope University
Stage Management - Rose Bruford College
Musical Theatre Performance - University of Chichester
Acting & Theatre Arts - University of Essex
Theatre: Writing, Directing & Performance - University of York

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PERFORMING & PRODUCTION ARTS UAL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

TRURO

The Level 2 Diploma in Performing & Production Arts provides a full-time introduction to performance, production and design for the Performing Arts that give you a broad, practical experience and develops an understanding of Performing Arts as a collaborative activity.

● **Why choose this course?** This course will support any student in developing the creative, technical, and organisational skills required to progress onto Level 3 study in Performance, Dance or Production. You are encouraged to be creative and expressive through a range of practical, hands-on workshops and performances, where you will develop skills in voice, movement, and characterisation. There will be opportunities throughout the year to perform extracts from plays. You will work towards creating your own pieces of devised theatre using a range of stimuli and performing these for assessment.

● **Where will it take me?**

Successfully completing the course at Merit level will give students the necessary entry requirements for Level 3 study in Performance, Dance or Production. Many students go on to complete BTEC Level 3 Extended Diplomas in either Performing Arts or Production Arts. This can lead to the opportunity to study at Higher Education level.

MUSIC LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

PENWITH

If you are passionate about music, love writing, performing or producing music and want to work in one of the most competitive and exciting industries in the world, then the Extended Diploma in Music could be the choice for you.

● **Why choose this course?**

The music industry is ever expanding, and there are many opportunities for musicians to forge an exciting career for themselves through different pathways. This exciting two-year programme will provide you with a hands-on, vocational approach to working within the music industry, helping you to develop the knowledge and skills required for employment within the music business or further study at university level. You will look at the practical skills required for performing in bands or as a session musician, developing the techniques needed for playing in a range of styles and genres. You will take part in a number of practical projects ranging from gigs at local venues, to community-based music projects and events.

● **Where will it take me?**

On completion of this course, you will have the qualifications necessary to progress onto a range of higher education options, either in Music or from a wide range of other options. You will already have the skills required for a number of career options within the performance and production industries.

MUSIC PRODUCTION LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

If you are interested in music production and sound engineering, this course will allow you to explore the relevant avenues of employment within an ever changing and dynamic music industry through vocationally relevant practices and projects.

● **Why choose this course?**

The music industry is one of the driving forces behind the British creative industries. It provides some of the most diverse career opportunities and creative challenges, plus it is an enjoyable, engaging subject. If you enjoy creating, recording, playing music live with technology, working with other creative minded people on interesting projects whilst making a living, then Music Technology could be the option for you. Music Technology will open your eye and ears to the possibilities of what can be done with sound. It will provide you with insights and experiences into the roles of a Music Producer, Sound Engineer, Composer, Sound Designer, Music Technology Performer, Commercial Industry Executive and Journalist.

● **Where will it take me?**

Upon completion of the course, you will be able to progress onto an Apprenticeship, gain relevant employment in the music industry at an entry level position or utilise professional portfolios in a freelance capacity. Learners can also progress onto a variety of degree courses offered by universities or specialist music schools.

PERFORMING ARTS - DANCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

Dancers are expected to be versatile technicians, performers, and communicators. This course will provide you with a strong foundation in a variety of techniques, engage you in dance analysis and encourage you to explore your creativity as a choreographer.

● **Why choose this course?**

This course focuses on developing skills in a range of dance styles and explores ways to create and develop movement. You will participate in regular ballet, contemporary and jazz classes alongside creative and contextual workshops. If you are passionate about dance, enjoy working as a member of an ensemble and wish to enhance your contextual knowledge then studying on this course will allow you to develop both in an academic and practical way. You will achieve a qualification that is equivalent to three A Levels, which will allow you to progress on to a multitude of specialist training programmes at conservatoires and universities.

● **Where will it take me?**

Learners can progress onto a range of degree programmes in Dance or may also progress onto related degrees such as Musical Theatre or Drama. Other opportunities include employment in an area of the performing arts, whether it be as a trainee or Apprenticeship with a company, in front-of-house or as a Teaching Assistant.

PERFORMING ARTS PERFORMANCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

The role of a performer is to communicate with an audience, whether through text, song, or movement. This is a practical and dynamic course that will develop your skills as a performer through a range of different performance projects.

● **Why choose this course?**

This course focuses on developing the skills required for progressing onto a career, or further education path, as either an actor or triple threat performer. You can usually choose to follow a pathway specialising in developing skills as either an actor or musical theatre performer. The course will cover different acting styles, such as acting for film and TV, as well as jazz dance and singing skills. This course will build upon existing skills you have in dance, singing and acting, as well as developing new ones. It will provide you with an understanding of different styles of theatre through practical performance projects.

● **Where will it take me?**

This Diploma can equip you for progression onto a University or drama school degree course in subjects such as Drama, Acting, Musical Theatre, Dance, or Performing Arts. Employment opportunities in an area of the performing arts include a trainee or Apprenticeship in backstage operations with a theatre company, front-of-house, or teaching assistant.



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PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



PPD IS A NEW START AND A STEPPING STONE TO OTHER COURSES, AN APPRENTICESHIP, EMPLOYMENT OR HIGHER EDUCATION.



A PATHWAY TO FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

We welcome learners who, for whatever reason, may not have previously been academically successful or who are unsure of a future career path.

We offer you a chance to have a fresh start in an exceptional college. Learn the essential skills and qualities required to excel in education and the workplace. You will also have the opportunity to gain Maths and English qualifications and will be supported to make career choices.

A competitive job market means you need to be fully equipped with employment skills to gain work. On the course, you will gain the knowledge to prepare yourself effectively for employment or for further study. If you are unsure of the career path you wish to take, we will work with you to look at your skills and qualities and match these to your ideal career.

Businesses report that workplace experience can be just as important to them as formal qualifications.

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OLIVER studied Personal and Professional Development alongside a Chemistry A Level.

Oliver started studying three A Levels, but quickly realised he wasn't sure what direction he wanted to pursue. He booked appointments with our well trained, experienced Careers Advisers and Student Services. In addition to guidance with his courses, they also introduced him to the College's to ENRICHment programme.

Oliver has moved a step closer to his dream career being an instructor as he has now started an Apprenticeship with BF Adventure.

“ENRICHment provided me with a place to channel my emotions into doing something good for my body and helps me to feel good about myself after achieving the goals that I set myself or from the other staff members.”

**ACHIEVE
YOUR
GOALS
LIKE
OLIVER**

ENHANCE YOUR SKILLS IN PREPARATION FOR FURTHER STUDY AND THE WORKPLACE

Our innovative and nurturing culture supports personal development and prepares you for your next steps. We'll equip you with the confidence and skill set that you need to succeed in an industry that suits you or progression to further learning.



EXPERIENCE

Unlock your potential and gain vital experience with work-based learning placements to match your skills and qualities, all supported by our dedicated Work Placement Officer.



PPD is about unlocking potential in young minds. We focus on changing mindset, developing networks, enhancing skillsets and supporting young people to transition into the world of work or Higher Education.

Jodie Stafford
Deputy Head of Faculty

COURSES



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YOUNG ESOL

TRURO

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) is for young adults aged between 16 and 19.

● Why choose this course?

On this course, you will study English, Maths and IT. You will also have Enrichment in a range of subjects including, Sport, Street Art and other occupational pathways. You can also take part in a wide range of external activities, day trips and hold events alongside external agencies such as the Fire Service and Armed Forces. The course is full-time, three days a week, studying 18 hours a week. ESOL is studied for nine hours (with tutorials), and other subjects for nine hours, including Enrichment. The Enrichment programme provides pathways into other courses and employment sectors. The course also supports learners with an external placement opportunity to develop industrial experience and knowledge. The English element of the courses will focus on speaking and listening, reading and writing.

● Where will it take me?

As well as improving your English, you will have the opportunity to gain nationally recognised qualifications in other subjects and gain valuable work experience. We offer you a chance to have a start in an exceptional college.

SKILLS FOR VOCATIONAL STUDIES LEVEL 1 AWARD & CERTIFICATE

TRURO

PENWITH

The course is a bite-sized qualification for learners who may have not yet decided on a specific vocational area. The course allows for English, Maths, digital skills, work experience and Enrichment activities to be taken simultaneously.

● Why choose this course?

There are no formal entry requirements; learners' suitability will be assessed on an individual basis. On the course, you will gain the knowledge to prepare yourself effectively for employment, an Apprenticeship, or for further study. If you are unsure of the career path you wish to take, then we will work with you to look at your skills and qualities and match these to your ideal career. These courses offer an equal emphasis on qualifications, personal development and workplace learning.

● Where will it take me?

You may progress onto a Level 2 programme of study, an Apprenticeship or gain full-time employment. Support will be available for applications and interview preparation.

PROGRESSION - PERSONAL & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT LEVEL 2 AWARD

TRURO

PENWITH

This course welcomes learners who, for whatever reason, may not have previously been academically successful or who are unsure of a future career path. We offer you a chance to have a fresh start.

● Why choose this course?

A competitive job market means you need to be fully equipped with skills that will help you excel in the world of work. This course accepts students who may not have previously been academically successful or who are not sure about their future career path. At Truro and Penwith College, you can have a new start and work towards your goals whilst developing your personal and professional skills.

● Where will it take me?

Successful completion of this course can lead into full-time study at Level 2 or 3, an Apprenticeship or full-time employment. For those seeking to move into the work environment, we will help with applications and support you with interview preparation. You will be able to move into an Apprenticeship or employment at any point in the year or move into further learning the following academic year.



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PROFESSIONAL COOKERY & HOSPITALITY



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Catering Management
- Event Management
- Restaurant Management
- Professional Cookery
- Hotel Management
- Food Technology
- Sommelier
- Bakeries
- Patisserie



GO FURTHER IN THE FOOD & DRINK INDUSTRY

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- The Headland Hotel
- Mullion Cove Hotel
- The Victoria Inn, Threemilestone
- The Idle Rocks
- St Austell Brewery
- Rick Stein Group
- Watergate Bay Hotel
- Hub Box
- Eden Project
- The Ainsworth Collection
- The Scarlett Hotel
- Kota Kai Kitchen Bar
- The Lost Gardens of Heligan
- The Alverton Hotel
- Porthminster Beach Café
- Ugly Butterfly
- Mackerel Sky

The hospitality industry is one of the cornerstones of the Cornish economy and you will gain the skills needed for success.

You will discover and develop new talents, working as part of a team and experiencing the buzz of our professional kitchens.

While at College, you will have a vast array of different employer engagements and work placements with industry experts, where you will be able to put your new-found knowledge and skills to immediate use, gaining a real sense of achievement and opening the doors of opportunity for all the possibilities this industry has to offer.

“There is no substitute for learning while working as you quickly develop the skills you need to progress in this fast-paced industry. We’re proud to support The Rick Stein Academy and work with those who are passionate about great food and making people smile.” Rick Stein

WORK IN OUR AA ROSETTE AWARDED PROFESSIONAL RESTAURANTS

You will be taught and supported by an expert team that prioritise professional practice and have the opportunity to learn from a wide variety of visiting speakers and demonstrators, including Michelin starred chefs.

Annual employer engagement week puts you face-to-face with industry leaders such as Paul Ainsworth, The Adam Handling Group and a wide range of visiting guest speakers and demonstrators including masters in food and beverage service.

Both campuses have achieved Centre of Excellence status for Fish and Shellfish, Patisserie and Confectionery and Food and Beverage.

GET REAL EXPERIENCE

AA COLLEGE RESTAURANT OF THE YEAR 2024 #1 SENARA RESTAURANT #2 SPIRES RESTAURANT

START YOUR PROFESSIONAL JOURNEY **WITH INDUSTRY** LEADERS

Our students have the opportunity to make connections with some of the UK's leading food and drink experts. All our courses and levels have meaningful enrichment opportunities to add real value and depth to your learning journey.



ACHIEVE

Having highly expert staff with industry experience greatly enriches your experience by providing practical knowledge, networking opportunities and guidance that will prepare you for a successful career in your chosen field.



Rick Stein
THE RICK STEIN ACADEMY
TRURO & PENWITH COLLEGE

Paul Ainsworth
Truro & Penwith College Academy

Rick Stein and Paul Ainsworth Academies broaden students' knowledge and skills both in College and through extracurricular activities.

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Our courses offer the students so much more than learning to cook. The breadth of the course allows them to gain confidence in the kitchen and front of house and improves teamwork and leadership skills.

Dave Izzard Head of Faculty

“College was great! I found the course to be versatile; it allowed me to learn and practice essential skills whilst working too. Don’t be afraid to put yourself out there. **If you’re hard-working and dedicated, you have the tools to succeed.**”



HARRISON studied the Level 2 Commis Chef Apprenticeship.

After concluding his Apprenticeship course, Harrison has progressed to the position of Support Sous Chef at the prestigious Adam Handling Restaurant Group, working with the Ugly Butterfly Restaurant and the flagship Frog by Adam Handling restaurant in London.

**EXCEL
IN YOUR
FIELD
LIKE
HARRISON**

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INTRODUCTION TO PROFESSIONAL COOKERY **LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA**

TRURO PENWITH

If you are looking to begin your journey in the Hospitality industry, the Level 1 Introductory Diploma to Professional Cookery will cover all the basic skills and techniques required in food preparation, production, cooking and food and beverage service.

● Why choose this course?

The course is structured to support and develop confidence and skills in a professional kitchen. You will complete your studies in our industry-standard kitchen environment. Students who enjoy cookery, creating their own dishes and have a desire to learn more about becoming a professional chef will be stretched and challenged, gaining valuable insights into the qualities needed to work in the busy but rewarding Hospitality industry. You will also study a Level 2 Diploma in Food Safety and a Level 2 Health and Safety qualification alongside the course.

● Where will it take me?

Upon successful completion of this course you will be well placed to progress to the Level 2 Commis Chef Apprenticeship, the Level 2 Professional Cookery Diploma or gain employment within the Hospitality industry.



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FOOD, BEVERAGE & PROFESSIONAL COOKERY STUDIES **LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA**

TRURO PENWITH

The Level 2 Food, Beverage and Professional Cookery Studies course is ideal for students with a passion for cooking food and offering great hospitality, teaching industry skills and techniques that provide the opportunity for employment in the Hospitality sector.

● **Why choose this course?** The course is structured to support and develop confidence, preparation, and cooking skills within a professional kitchen environment. The qualification will enable you to gain employment within many types of Hospitality establishment or progress to further study with an Apprenticeship, the full time Level 3 Diploma in Advanced Professional Cookery or the Level 3 Diploma in Food and Beverage Supervision. This qualification is based on the national occupational standards for Professional Cookery and includes all the required elements to work effectively as a Junior or Commis Chef. You will train in our industry-standard professional catering kitchens, learning the tricks of the trade in a practical, hands-on manner.

● Where will it take me?

This qualification will enable you to gain employment within many types of Catering and Hospitality establishments. Past students have gained employment with companies such as the Rick Stein Group, St Austell Brewery, Paul Ainsworth and many other Hospitality providers.

ADVANCED PROFESSIONAL COOKERY **LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA**

TRURO PENWITH

Advance your cookery skills and aim for a position of responsibility in the catering industry with this advanced level catering qualification. The Level 3 Diploma in Advanced Professional Cookery offers a natural progression from Level 2. If you’re already a chef, it’s ideal for mastering advanced cookery skills. **You will develop supervisory, organisational, time management and people skills and you will learn how to work under pressure.**

● Why choose this course?

The course is structured to support and develop your confidence and skills within a professional kitchen. Throughout this qualification you will develop your knowledge and understanding of relevant health and safety and how to plan for the preparation, cooking and finishing of a variety of dishes. You will develop the knowledge, understanding, advanced skills and techniques to prepare, cook and finish dishes which include meat and offal, poultry and game, fish, canapés and vegetables.

● Where will it take me?

You will be able to gain employment in one of the many food outlets in the county. Continued studies would enable you to start your own business or franchise while Higher Education courses could qualify you for teaching, training or assessing posts.

APPRENTICESHIPS

COMMIS CHEF LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO PENWITH

The Commis Chef Apprenticeship will support you to work towards a dynamic, successful career in the Hospitality Industry within the kitchen or back of house team.

● Why choose this course?

You will be learning all about the hospitality industry, in particular the kitchen area, understanding the basics of modern-day cookery and the fundamental building blocks of cookery. You will learn where produce and products come from, a key skill in a kitchen today, and cooking using seasonal ingredients which will give you greater understanding of getting the best out of the produce we use. To ensure you are working at the required level, you will need to study up to Level 2 English and Maths (where necessary). This will support you on your Apprenticeship and within your career.

● Where will it take me?

This Apprenticeship has been designed to enable you to progress in the industry as a sous chef, commis chef or trainee chef de partie. It will also suit existing chefs wishing to enhance their career prospects or to progress onto further study.

FOOD & BEVERAGE TEAM MEMBER LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

The Level 2 Hospitality Team Member Apprenticeship will support you to work towards a dynamic, successful career in the Hospitality industry within a customer facing role.

● Why choose this course?

You will learn all about the industry, the business, working with people, customer service and the pathway of your choice. This includes food and beverage service, serving alcoholic beverages, barista services, food preparation, housekeeping, concierge and guest services, reception, reservations and conference and banqueting. The most important part of the programme is developing fantastic hospitality skills and knowledge, such as recognising customer needs, knowing how to match them to the products and services of the business and working as part of a team to ensure that every customer, whether they are eating in a restaurant, drinking cocktails in a bar, ordering room service in a hotel or attending a business conference, feels welcomed and looked after. To ensure you are working at the required level you will need to study up to Level 2 English and Maths (where necessary). This will support you on your Apprenticeship and within your career.

● Where will it take me?

This Apprenticeship has been designed to enable you to progress within your Hospitality career or progress onto further study at Level 3.



“It was really nice to be surrounded by other students and lecturers that understood what is involved with an Apprenticeship. They were supportive and continually kept going and working hard.”

WORK WITH THE BEST LIKE LOREN

LOREN studied the Level 2 Diploma in Food, Beverage and Professional Cookery Studies.

Loren is now an Assistant Sommelier at No6 in Padstow. Loren has worked within the wider Ainsworth family for four years, starting at their sister restaurant Caffè Rojano as one of the first Paul Ainsworth Academy students, making the move to the prestigious No6 in 2021.

Continuing her professional journey, Loren is gaining more experience in the industry and has a goal to become Head Sommelier at No6 in Padstow.



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APPRENTICESHIPS



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PRO CHEF LEVEL 2 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

The Level 2 Pro Chef Apprenticeship will support you to take the first steps towards a dynamic, successful career within a kitchen environment in the Hospitality industry. The delivery model and content for this Level 2 Production Chef standard has been developed in conjunction with major local Hospitality employers including The Steins Group, Hub Box, St Austell Brewery and the Lost Gardens of Heligan to ensure that the Apprenticeship matches the needs of businesses producing high quality food in high volume.

● Why choose this course?

You will be learning all about the Hospitality industry, with a particular focus on the fundamental building blocks and basics of modern-day cookery within a professional kitchen environment. You will learn where produce and products come from, and how to cook using seasonal ingredients, providing greater understanding of how to get the best out of the produce we use and how to form excellent links with your suppliers.

● Where will it take me?

On completion of Level 2 Pro Chef Apprenticeship, you will be fully trained and able to gain more experience within a kitchen environment and consider progression to a supervisory role.

CHEF DE PARTIE LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

The Chef de Partie Apprenticeship will support you to work towards a dynamic, successful career in the Hospitality Industry within the kitchen or back of house team in a supervisory role.

● Why choose this course?

You will be learning all about the hospitality industry, understanding the basics to complexities of modern-day cookery and the advanced techniques and building blocks of cookery. You will learn where produce and products come from, a key skill in a kitchen today, and cooking using seasonal ingredients which will give you greater understanding of getting the best out of the produce we use. To ensure you are working at the required level, you will need to study up to Level 2 English and Maths (where necessary). This will support you on your Apprenticeship and within your career. You will be taught by staff with extensive experience who will advance your knowledge and skills to meet the expectations of the hospitality industry.

● Where will it take me?

This Apprenticeship has been designed to enable you to progress directly into employment in the industry as a chef de partie and eventually as a senior culinary chef. This course will also suit existing chefs wishing to enhance their career prospects or to progress onto further study.

HOSPITALITY SUPERVISOR LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

The Level 3 Hospitality Supervisor Apprenticeship will support you to work towards a dynamic, successful career in the Hospitality industry within a supervisory role.

● Why choose this course?

The Level 3 Hospitality Supervisor Apprenticeship will enable you to develop your skills and knowledge as a supervisor. It will help you gain confidence in supervising your team and the business independently to support your management team. The programme will give you the skills and knowledge to take the next step in your career. You will be taught by staff with extensive experience who will advance your knowledge and skills to meet the expectations of the hospitality industry. Individual support, tuition and advice are available from our team of experienced and qualified tutors, assessors, and advisors. To ensure you are working at the required level you will need to achieve a Level 2 English and Maths (where necessary). This will support you on your Apprenticeship and within your career.

● Where will it take me?

This has been designed to enable you to progress directly into employment in the Hospitality Industry as a Supervisor/Manager.

PASTRY CHEF LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

This occupation is found in the hospitality industry, largely in fine dining restaurants and hotels in the pastry section and in artisan pâtisseries. Pastry Chefs will plan, prepare, cook and finish advanced patisserie, using a range of refined techniques, tools and specialist equipment.

● Why choose this course?

This Apprenticeship will suit individuals looking to learn how to make delicious fillings and desserts as a pastry chef or pâtissier, and work anywhere from boutique businesses to 5-star hotels. Pastry Chefs will demonstrate expertise in a range of pastry activities producing a wide range of refined products and will be required to have excellent skills in following recipes, attention to detail, and knowledge of food production methods.

● Where will it take me?

This Apprenticeship has been designed to enable you to progress in the industry as a pastry chef pâtissier. It will also suit existing chefs wishing to enhance their career prospects or to progress onto further study.

SENIOR PRO CHEF LEVEL 3 APPRENTICESHIP

TRURO

This programme is designed to develop chef's supervisory skills and knowledge of the wider business. You will already have great cooking ability, and although there are practical elements to this programme, there will be a heavy focus on learning supervisory techniques, team development and kitchen management.

● Why choose this course?

Senior production chefs may lead a brigade team or may support the head chef in larger establishments. They supervise production chef teams in a variety of kitchen environments, for example; schools, hospitals, and high street casual dining or pub kitchens. Senior production chefs have accountability for the day-to-day running of the kitchen service, producing, monitoring and maintaining consistent food standards, legislative requirements and quality across all areas and during all stages of production. Modules covered include: Kitchen Operations, Nutrition, Legal and Governance, People and Business or Commercial.

● Where will it take me?

This Apprenticeship enables you to progress in the industry as a senior production chef in a wide variety of settings. It will also suit existing chefs wishing to enhance their career prospects or to progress onto further study.



**PROGRESS WITH US
AT OUR UNIVERSITY
CENTRE**

• Hospitality Manager Level 4 Apprenticeship

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PROGRESSION PATHWAYS



**WE WELCOME
STUDENTS WITH
ADDITIONAL
LEARNING
SUPPORT NEEDS
AND HIGH NEEDS.**

Our Progression Pathways department offers a range of courses for students to gain skills for personal progression, taking a tailored approach to individual learning needs.



**SUPPORTED
PROGRESSION FOR
YOUR FUTURE**

Most learners accessing our programmes of study have an Education, Health and Care Plan and we ensure the highest standard of education to meets their learning needs.

Our range of tailored courses will help you prepare for adulthood.

You will benefit from excellent teaching and facilities at Truro, Penwith and Tregye campuses, with dedicated and skilled staff who will support you to achieve your full potential.

Some learners will progress on to further study, some into employment and others into community placements with a focus on developing independent living skills.

“I wouldn’t have had the confidence to do this without the support of my lecturers, family, and friends at College. I love being with my friends, and I always feel supported - not just by my tutors, but by the people around me.”

LOGAN has accomplished a huge milestone - he’s been selected for the England Athletics Youth Talent Programme, recently representing Great Britain in the 1500 metres and achieving a personal best time. As a member of our Elite Academy, Logan balances his athletic pursuits with a work placement at Treliske Hospital all around his College timetable, demonstrating both dedication and versatility.

**ACHIEVE
YOUR BEST
LIKE
LOGAN**



OUTSTANDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TO GROW AND PROGRESS

You will learn in small groups, enabling you to engage with your teachers, take part in a broad curriculum and work towards your next steps.



PROGRESSION

Students have the opportunity to develop core skills in real working environments through enterprise and work experience sessions.



We offer a diverse curriculum providing opportunities for all students to develop independent living skills and to prepare for adulthood.

COURSES

CONNECT PROGRESSION PATHWAY

TRURO TREGYE

A specialist individualised learning pathway for students who require a multi - sensory style of learning; designed in two strands to meet the needs of students on the Autistic Spectrum who may be anxious of new places and new people and students with Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties. This course is delivered at both Truro College and our Tregye campus.

● **Why choose this course?** You will engage with a 3 day a week programme of study for up to three years. Programmes of study will be tailored and delivered to meet your learning needs and interests. This will enable you to demonstrate progress towards your Preparing for Adulthood outcomes on your Education, Health and Care Plan. This course is delivered at Truro College and our Tregye campus.

● **Where will it take me?** Your course will focus on developing the skills you will need when you move on from college. Staff will support you in transitioning from college onto your desired outcome, determined in your Education Health Care Plan. You may have the option to progress to our Engage and Venture Pathway.

ENGAGE & VENTURE PROGRESSION PATHWAY

TRURO PENWITH

A course for students who are at Entry Level who aspire to live, work, travel and engage in their local communities with support or independently.

● **Why choose this course?** You will follow a curriculum based on achieving your Preparing for Adulthood outcomes in your Education, Health and Care Plan. Throughout the pathway, you will grow in independence, confidence and resilience. You will improve your maths and English, engage in an Enterprise activity, experience volunteering in the community and practice travelling independently.

● **Where will it take me?** You may have the option to progress to a cross-college programme where you will consolidate your learning and continue to develop your skills. Alternatively, you might access other recognised supported training or employment opportunities in the local community.



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DETAILS ONLINE:

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SCIENCE



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Astronomy
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Engineering
- Forensic Science
- Genetics
- Geochemistry
- Geophysics
- Marine Science
- Medicine & Dentistry
- Microbiology
- Nursing
- Physics
- Research Science
- Veterinary Science

GO FURTHER IN RESEARCH & ANALYSIS

The College is a member of the Royal Society Associate Schools and College scheme, hosts the South West's educational coordinator for the Royal Society of Chemistry and is a Lead School for the Institute of Physics.

As a student of Truro and Penwith College, you will benefit from these close links with the UK's most prestigious scientific institutions. With a STEM guest lecture programme including Oxbridge professors at the forefront of scientific research, together with exciting opportunities to join international conservation expeditions, the study of Science at Truro and Penwith College has never been more exciting.

You will be taught by a team of highly-qualified staff who are passionate about their specialist subject areas. Access to extensively equipped teaching labs and exceptional technical support provide the setting for advanced practical lessons.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Exeter University
- UWE
- Bristol University
- Plymouth University
- Leeds University
- Camborne School of Mines
- The Eden Project
- Royal Cornwall Hospital Trust
- The Environment Agency
- Natural England
- LEAF
- Riviera Produce

INDUSTRY STANDARD
LABORATORIES AND
EQUIPMENT TO ENHANCE
YOUR STUDIES.

COMPETE & EXCEL

You will have the opportunity to engage with a range of extra-curricular challenges and competitions, including the Royal Society of Chemistry Schools Analyst Competition (of which Truro and Penwith College have been regular regional champions, as well as the competition's first ever state institution national champions in 2018) and Biology and Physics Olympiads.

The College sees high levels of progression to STEM related courses and competitive universities.

14.7% of our students studying A Level Biology achieved the very top A* grade, compared to a national average of 9.1%.

41.5% of our A Level Chemistry students achieved the top A* and A grades compared to 32.7% nationally and 19% at other FE colleges.

FROM FIELD TRIPS TO INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Field trip destinations include the Jurassic Coast, an exchange trip to Germany and a two-week conservation project with Operation Wallacea in Mexico. Students benefit from abundant links with Higher Education progression and employability with support to secure work experience placements in hospitals, GP surgeries, veterinary practices and scientific laboratories.

THE NO. 1 PROVIDER OF STEM DELIVERY & SUPPORT IN CORNWALL

Over half of all Cornwall's Level 3 Science students study at the College and we continue to be the highest and most significant contributor to STEM delivery and support in the county.

With many staff qualified to PhD level, Truro and Penwith College is a STEM Learning Platinum Science Mark holder.



EXCELLENCE

Enrichment opportunities include our nationally leading Medics' Academy for future doctors, vets and dentists, the Allied Health Academy for those seeking health-related progression routes and the Accelerate Programme, which promotes development and excellence at the highest level. Our students are supported to achieve outstanding outcomes.



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We are a truly exceptional Science department of dedicated experts who take pride in enabling learners to excel.

Ned Crowley Head of Faculty

ACADEMIES

ALLIED HEALTH ACADEMY

TRURO

● Why choose this academy?

This Academy is for those interested in careers related to allied health, such as becoming a paramedic, physiotherapist, radiographer, chiroprapist, audiologist or dietician.

● What can I expect?

The Allied Health Academy is here to help improve your understanding of careers in health-related disciplines, to guide you through the process and to optimise your chances of receiving an offer in this very competitive industry. We also work closely with local employers to help you acquire relevant work experience, which is key to a successful application, and develop key skills required for your intended profession. You will learn about the application process and the different types of courses that are available.

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ACADEMIC
ENRICHMENT
PROGRAMMES
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MEDICS' ACADEMY

TRURO

PENWITH

● Why choose this academy?

If you are interested in following a career in Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science, then the Medics' Academy is for you.

● What can I expect?

The Medics' Academy is run in partnership with students from Exeter Medical School as part of the Widening Access initiative. We also work closely with ex-academy members at all stages of their careers, foundation year doctors, GPs, dentists and vets to give you the widest exposure to careers in this field. The first year is about building your knowledge and skills through talks, interactive workshops and seminars, in which you will learn communication skills, manual dexterity and basic clinical skills. You will also learn about the application process and the different types of medical courses that are available. We can even help you to find work experience, which is essential for a successful application. In the second year, you will receive advice on writing personal statements, admissions tests and choosing the right medical course for you.

COURSES



Find your course
and apply online

BIOLOGY A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

If you enjoy learning about living organisms and want to delve deeper into concepts such as biochemistry and cell biology through to behaviour and ecology, then A Level Biology will offer you an exciting, challenging and stimulating area of study with fantastic progression opportunities.

● Why choose this course?

A Level Biology at Truro and Penwith College is exciting, interesting and challenging; with the guidance and support of subject specialist lecturers who have a wealth of experience and passion for Biology, you will have every opportunity to achieve your goals. A Level biology is a great choice for anyone who wants to understand GCSE topics at a deeper level. You will study structure related to function of biological substances at a molecular level right through to why organs, systems and whole organisms have evolved to function in the incredibly diverse ways that we see in life on Earth. You will develop your analytical and reasoning skills as well as practical techniques in the lab and out in the field.

● Where will it take me?

Biology opens up a wide range of opportunities for University level study. The skills you will develop are in high demand over a wide range of fields and students progress to a range of different careers, some closely related to biology such as medical or health related careers, Clinical Research or Pharmaceuticals, and some in other sectors such as Business, Finance, and Marketing.

CHEMISTRY A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

You will learn about advanced chemistry concepts, across physical, inorganic and organic chemistry topics and how this can be applied to a range of real-life applications. You will also develop your experimental skills and application of your knowledge to solve real-life problems.

● Why choose this course?

If you enjoy the study of the substances that make us and our surroundings, then Chemistry is a subject you should consider. Chemistry is everywhere: in the food we eat and the water we drink, from the clothes we wear and our mobile phones to the medicines that keep us healthy. Chemistry is truly the "central science". Emphasis throughout the course is on developing your knowledge, competence and confidence in practical skills and problem solving, together with enhancing your understanding of key chemical ideas and how they link to each other. All this makes A Level Chemistry a challenging and interesting course.

● Where will it take me?

If you want to study Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, or Veterinary Science, then A Level Chemistry is essential. However, an understanding of chemistry is desirable for a variety of university courses including Geology, Environmental Science, and Materials Science. Chemistry students are much sought after and can pursue careers in many exciting and varied fields of work.



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DETAILS ONLINE:

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COURSES



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on our website

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

A holistic overview of how environmental processes and living creatures maintain the Earth in a dynamic equilibrium and the threats that have the potential to upset it. We will explore how to reduce these threats and protect our planet.

● Why choose this course?

This course provides an excellent insight into how our world works and the importance of these processes in maintaining life on Earth. In a time when climate change is one of the biggest threats to humankind, this course will provide you with all the information you could need on the threats the world is facing and how we can reduce them. As an environmental scientist, you will develop key transferable skills such as lab work, field work and critical thinking that can open up many doors in the future, no matter your chosen progression route. As the world leaders continue to implement change, we will need more environmental scientists to help guide them and make a real difference.

● Where will it take me?

An understanding of the environment is desirable for a variety of Higher Education courses and studying A Level Environmental Science can lead to a career in a field that is growing exponentially. Environmental Science covers such a broad range of topics that it can prepare you for a multitude of different career paths.

GEOLOGY A LEVEL

TRURO

Geology is all about the Earth around you, how it works and how we can look after, and use it in a sustainable way. You'll study a range of material including geohazards, dinosaurs, and many amazing minerals.

● Why choose this course?

Geology is the science of the Earth and involves the study of exciting topics including volcanoes, earthquakes, fossils, and minerals as well as important theoretical insights, for example plate tectonics. It is the foundation of everything we know about the Earth's past which can lead us to understanding the processes that are currently affecting the planet and how we can protect it in the future. The skills and knowledge you acquire on this course will help you to understand that geology is the solution to many of the crises currently threatening planet Earth.

● Where will it take me?

This course is designed to lead to Higher Education or into an Apprenticeship in any geoscience related course such as Engineering, Environmental Science, Palaeontology, Oceanography, Exploration, Geophysics, Geography, Astrophysics, Marine Sciences, Planetary Sciences, or Hazard Management. With further training this could lead to many careers within a variety of fields.

PHYSICS A LEVEL

TRURO

PENWITH

You will learn about advanced physics concepts, including classical areas such as mechanics, forces, waves and magnetism, as well as modern physics topics including quantum physics, particle physics and astrophysics, and how to apply these ideas to solve real-life problems.

● Why choose this course?

A Level Physics is an academic course designed to increase your knowledge, skills and understanding of the physical sciences and support your ability to apply that knowledge to solve problems. The course has both theory and experimental components. Physics allows you to understand the fundamental structure of the universe from atoms or smaller, to galaxies or bigger, and how the matter within the universe interacts. Through focused lectures, we will explore these topics and how to use mathematical approaches to apply these ideas to a large range of real-life situations.

● Where will it take me?

Physics is a highly respected A Level and an understanding of physics is desirable for a variety of University courses and valued for most degree subjects. It is also valued by employers worldwide. Studying physics provides you with many skills such as problem solving, communication, creativity, and teamwork.

BEN studied Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics A Levels before graduation with a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Exeter.

Ben decided to move into research in the renewables sector and started an Engineering Doctorate programme called IDCORE. Today, Ben is a Blades Research Engineer at Orbital Marine Power, a Tidal Power company in Edinburgh, Scotland.



MAKE A SPLASH LIKE BEN



“ Penwith College was very different to school. You are more responsible for your own learning outside of your class schedule, which is like university. Make the most of opportunities to meet and talk to people about the career path they took. Most of the time they won't have had it figured out by the time they were 16! ”

“ If it wasn’t for Penwith College, I don’t think I’d be living in New Zealand working as a hydrologist. ”

JAIDE studied Environmental Science, Geography and Film Studies A Levels before specialising in Environmental Earth Science at Aberystwyth University in Wales. She took her studies to the next level, completing an MSc in Exploration and Environmental Geoscience at Lulea University in Sweden.

Jaide is now working among the earth’s most dramatic and beautiful landscapes as a hydrologist.

**REACH
NEW
HEIGHTS
LIKE
JAIDE**



COURSES

APPLIED SCIENCE - ANALYTICAL & FORENSIC SCIENCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

You will develop your knowledge and application of scientific theory and gain the practical skills needed to progress into employment or further study in the field of forensic science and associated industries.

● **Why choose this course?**
Do you enjoy using scientific knowledge to solve problems? Are you keen to learn how to piece together evidence and data to reach valid conclusions? The field of analytical and forensic science is vast and is not just limited to crime scene investigation. Scientists use the same skills on a daily basis to attempt to solve current issues. This course is designed to give you a detailed understanding of aspects of science with an emphasis on the skills and knowledge used in the fields of analytical and forensic science. You will study a range of core units as well as specialist units relating to forensics.

● **Where will it take me?**
Scientific skills are always in demand in the workplace and a wide range of careers are possible including forensic laboratory work or scenes of crime work. The course can also lead to a variety of science-based courses at Higher Education including Chemical and Biological Sciences, Environmental Sciences, Criminology, and Forensic Science, as well as related work-based training or employment.

APPLIED SCIENCE - BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

TRURO

PENWITH

Are you interested in pursuing a career in the ever-expanding field of biomedical science? In this course, you will develop your knowledge and application of scientific theory and gain the practical skills needed to progress into employment or further study.

● **Why choose this course?**
This course is designed to give you a detailed understanding of aspects of science with an emphasis on the skills and knowledge used in biomedical science. You will study a range of core scientific units and specialist units with a particular emphasis on the knowledge, skills and techniques used in biomedical science. Throughout the course, you will develop your scientific understanding and practical skills through a series of assignments and challenging investigations, which utilise some of the techniques used by scientists in the workplace, including the application of modern biological and chemical practical techniques to biomedical science and the knowledge required by biomedical scientists.

● **Where will it take me?**
You will develop the scientific knowledge and practical skills to enable you to progress into employment or onto a range of Higher Education courses. Scientific skills are always in demand in the workplace and a wide range of careers are possible.



**HOW FAR CAN
YOU GO?**

**UNIVERSITY
DESTINATIONS
INCLUDE:**

Biomedical Science
Bath Spa University
Ecology & Wildlife Conservation
Bournemouth University
Diagnostic Radiography
Bristol, UWE
Medicinal Chemistry
Cardiff University
Forensic Science
De Montfort University
Physics with Theoretical Physics
Imperial College London
Veterinary Medicine & Surgery
Harper & Keele Veterinary School
Zoology
Swansea University
Medicine
University College London
Biochemistry
University of Oxford

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SPORT & PROTECTIVE SERVICES



PERFECT FOR CAREERS IN:

- Sports Coaching
- PE Teaching
- Personal Training
- Sports Therapy
- Professional Athletics
- Sports Nutrition
- Strength & Conditioning Coaching
- Armed Forces
- Police Service
- Local Authorities
- Central Government
- Outdoor Education
- Fire & Rescue Service
- HM Revenue & Customs
- HM Prison Service
- Coastguard/Lifeguard

GO FURTHER A FUTURE WITHOUT LIMITS

You will have the opportunity to participate, compete and excel in a wide range of physical activities. Your team work and leadership qualities will be expanded in these challenging and rewarding areas.

Our sports teams play within the AoC Sport organisation, which runs leagues and cups across the country, as well as sport specific competitions and tournaments.

Teams from the College have competed in the AoC Sport National finals and travelled across the South West as well as to London, Birmingham, Dallas and Japan where we have had success at both regional and national level.

On our Protective Services courses, you will benefit from visits by members of the uniformed and armed services as well as having the chance to visit key public services such as the Army, Marines and Truro Crown Court. Former service personnel will also put you through your paces, pushing you physically and mentally. Join the successes of our past students in the career of your choice.

Get connected with our industry links and partnerships:

- Royal Navy
- RAF
- Army
- Fire Service
- Police
- Prison Service
- RLNI
- Local Government
- Morgan's Gym
- St Michael's Hotel
- Cross Fit Truro
- Exeter Chiefs
- Cornwall Active
- Cornwall Cricket
- Team Bath
- GLL - Better Leisure

FANTASTIC FACILITIES

The College has fantastic physical resources including a sprung floor sports hall, indoor multi-use games area (MUGA), sport specific floodlit AstroTurf pitches, fitness and strength and conditioning suites, physiology labs and therapy suites. The College has also invested in a state-of-the-art synthetic rugby pitch.

ALUMNI SUCCESS



Former students have gone on to play on the World Open Golf Tour, compete in the World Athletic Championships, Commonwealth Games and Olympics, had successful careers in the England Rugby team, Rugby 7s and joined the Lions Tour.

SPORTING EXCELLENCE

Our 10 Sport Academy programmes, which are integrated into your timetable, are delivered by highly qualified staff. Through expert coaching, academies allow you to progress and excel in your chosen discipline.

The College is proud to have strong links with Premiership team Exeter Chiefs RFC where many Academy players have started their national and international careers.



A NATIONAL REPUTATION FOR SPORTING PROVISION, TEAM & INDIVIDUAL SUCCESS

Supported by experienced, expert teaching staff, our students have remarkable successes.

25% of our students studying the Extended Diploma in Sport, Fitness and Personal Training achieved the top grade of Triple Distinction Star.



PARTNERSHIPS

Our connections with professional sports clubs allow athletes to gain professional pathway experience.



REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCE

Gain real world experience through strong links with both the armed forces and blue light services. The Protective Services Level 3 includes work experience and trips with the Fire Service, RAF Police and Navy plus residencies with the Army.



Students have fantastic opportunities to develop both their academic and sporting ability in great facilities, inspiring progression to university and careers.

Luke Payne Head of Faculty

ACADEMIES



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SPORT ACADEMIES

TRURO PENWITH

BASKETBALL
CRICKET
FOOTBALL - MALE
FOOTBALL - FEMALE
ELITE
HOCKEY
NETBALL
RUGBY - MALE
RUGBY - FEMALE
TENNIS

● Why choose these academies?

Sports Academies give you the option to excel in your sport while continuing your studies. The College is renowned for its highly competitive edge and has a reputation of sporting excellence.

● What can I expect?

Each of the Sports Academies offers players the chance to develop both their team and individual skills together with personal strength and conditioning and an understanding of nutrition, training and game analysis. You will have sessions of specific sport related activities each week which will include theory sessions, coaching, fitness sessions, skills work and matches.

There is a contribution charge for our Sport Academies which goes towards kit and travel to competitive fixtures. Financial support options are available - please refer to our website for further details.

Truro and Penwith College boasts excellent sports facilities where students can train and compete. Come and see for yourself at one of our Open Events.

RECREATIONAL SPORT ENRICHMENT

TRURO PENWITH

● Why choose this Enrichment?

Promoting physical and mental health and wellbeing, this is an option to play sports or games each week but without having to commit to an Academy, play competitively or travel to fixtures.

● What can I expect?

Through our flexible ENRICHment programme, you can join us for a mixture of recreational badminton, spinning classes, swimming, football, yoga or dance fitness. No experience necessary and it is just for enjoyment and fun!

Alternatively, you have the opportunity to train freely in the gym, use all the equipment, catch up on your workout programme or workout with a friend. Work your way through a variety of exercise stations around the gym or studio to improve cardiovascular health, mobility, toning, strength, and stamina. There is no set structure to the session, however a qualified gym instructor/personal trainer will be on hand should you need to ask any questions or advice.

“It was an amazing feeling scoring for my country and I am very appreciative of Gary, my head coach at College, for putting me forward for the trials.”

JOSIAH studied the Level 3 Diploma in Sport & Exercise Science and through the College's Football Academy has been selected for the England College Football Association.

He is very appreciative of the coaches for the hours they have put in over the last year and a half towards the development of the whole team. After netting a fantastic goal for his country in a recent match Josiah said: "It's Incredible!"

**AIM HIGH
LIKE
JOSIAH**

COURSES



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PHYSICAL EDUCATION A LEVEL

TRURO

The combination of physical performance and academic challenge provides an exciting opportunity for students who study A Level Physical Education. Studying this A Level gives you a fantastic insight into the world of sports performance.

● Why choose this course?

A Level Physical Education is possibly the most varied and wide ranging A Level you can study. During your two-year course, you will learn about the wide range of factors which can determine sport performance. The course will enable you to develop knowledge applied to your own performance as well as athletes in general. From the perspective of the individual athlete, you will learn about anatomy and physiology and biomechanical movement, as well as how psychological factors, training, nutrition, and technological development in sport may impact on the individual or team athlete.

● Where will it take me?

This A Level is an excellent basis for a university degree in Sport and Exercise Science, Psychology, Engineering, Physiotherapy, Business, Teaching and Coaching. University level options in sport are available through the University Centre Truro and Penwith for those who want to continue their Higher Education in Cornwall.

SPORTS & EXERCISE SCIENCE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE A LEVEL EQUIVALENT

TRURO

PENWITH

This course, which is equivalent to one A Level, is ideal if you are interested in the application of science to sport. You will develop a wide range of skills and abilities that will enable you to progress to university or to employment in sports related industries, especially those requiring a scientific background.

● Why choose this course?

This course will suit you if you have an interest in the physiological and psychological approaches to developing groups and individuals across a wide range of activities, from grassroots through to those at the top of the sports performance pyramid. You will discover how to apply theoretical and practical techniques to analyse and improve the sporting performance of both yourself and others, as well as improve general health and fitness. You will learn the 'Functional Anatomy' of the human body, psychological theories applied to sport as well as practical lessons on coaching and training methods using our highly equipped sports facilities.

● Where will it take me?

A natural progression from this course is to move to Higher Education and develop specialist knowledge in areas such as Sports Therapy, Sports Nutrition, Sports Psychology and Teaching.



PROGRESS WITH US AT OUR UNIVERSITY CENTRE

- FdSc Health & Wellbeing
- FdSc Sports Therapy
- BSc (Hons) Applied Sport & Health Science



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COURSES

SPORT LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

PENWITH

The Level 2 Sport programme is aimed to support your progression to Further Education and study at a higher level or to employment. The programme will also allow you to work towards Level 2 English and Maths qualifications.

● **Why choose this course?** This course is aimed at those hoping to take their first steps toward a career in any Sport-related industries. If you enjoy studying a variety of topics chosen to help develop your confidence, understanding and abilities and then applying them in and out of the classroom, this progression could be for you. Units you will study are varied and engaging, and include Sport Participation, Anatomy and Physiology and Coaching. Over the one-year course, you will develop the skills needed for progression into Level 3 qualifications in different areas across Sport and Public Services.

● **Where will it take me?** Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to progress onto further study, training, or employment having developed both academic and practical skills, allowing you to make informed choices with regard to a career in the Sport sector. You will have also developed academic and practical skills that may be applicable in other work situations.

SPORT & PROTECTIVE SERVICES LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

TRURO

PENWITH

The Level 2 Public Services programme is aimed at learners to support progression to Further Education and study at a higher level or to employment. The programme will also allow you to work towards Level 2 English and Maths qualifications.

● **Why choose this course?** This course offers a variety of subjects to help develop your confidence, understanding and abilities, providing an opportunity to apply these in and out of the classroom. This is a perfect course for learners hoping to take their first steps into a career in teamwork and leadership type roles in the public services. You will study units which include Sport and Recreation, Health and Fitness, Teamwork and Skills in the Community. You will enhance your literacy and numeracy skills. In addition, you will also develop practical, transferable skills through related trips and visits from both the emergency and military services.

● **Where will it take me?** Upon completion of this course, you will be able to progress onto further study, training, or employment having developed both academic and practical skills, allowing you to make informed choices on which area you would like to progress into with regard to a career into the Public Services.



HOW FAR
CAN YOU
GO?

UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:

Physiotherapy - Bristol, UWE
Sport Performance Analysis - Cardiff Metropolitan University
Sport and Exercise Science - Leeds Beckett University
Sport Rehabilitation & Conditioning - Plymouth Marjon University
Sport Psychology - St Mary's University, Twickenham
Exercise & Sport Sciences - University of Exeter
Sports Therapy - University of Gloucestershire
Professional Policing - University of Plymouth
Sport Psychology - St Mary's University
Sports Business & Sports Broadcasting - UCFB

“ The freedom you get at College is great and you are doing subjects that you have chosen and will help your future career. I really enjoyed the expeditions that we would go on and the skills I acquired and built while I was there. I still use these regularly to this day. ”

DEMELZA studied the Level 3 Diploma in Uniformed Services.

After achieving distinctions across the board for her Public Services course, Demelza achieved her lifelong dream of joining Devon and Cornwall Police.

The dynamic course helped Demelza to prepare for the entry tests carried out by the emergency services and armed forces. The course also improves students fitness levels, teaches about leadership, team building skills and develops an understanding of the uniformed services which form the cornerstone of our society.

**SERVE
AND
PROTECT
LIKE
DEMELZA**

COURSES



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ENTRY TO THE UNIFORMED SERVICES **NCFE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**

TRURO PENWITH

This course is designed to provide you with an in-depth understanding of the principles of the uniformed public services sector such as the emergency services, armed services, and prison service and will allow you to explore the various avenues of work within it.

● Why choose this course?

This course provides an opportunity for you to progress onto careers in the uniformed services. We will prepare you for a variety of recruitment interviews, and you will understand the personal commitment and fitness requirements needed to be employed in a uniformed service role. You will gain understanding and develop the skills and qualities needed to work in a range of uniformed services e.g. leadership skills, conflict management, personal protection, teamwork, communication, navigation, and drill.

● Where will it take me?

Opportunities as a result of studying this course include Higher Education and Higher Apprenticeships within the Public Services sector. This course will also help you to apply for careers in the Armed Services, Justice Services, Emergency Services, local or national government and other security services.

SPORTS & EXERCISE SCIENCE **LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**

TRURO PENWITH

Do you enjoy developing your knowledge of both theoretical and practical sport? Then this course will suit you in undertaking a sport science or health related career path, such as sports rehabilitation, sports nutrition, or sports psychology, amongst others.

● Why choose this course?

During this course, you will develop a range of skills and abilities that will enable you to either progress onto Higher Education or into employment in sports related industries. You will discover how to apply and develop theoretical and practical techniques to analyse and improve sporting performance of yourself and others as well as improving your general health and fitness. You will learn the appropriate use of both laboratory and field-based testing and training equipment using our highly equipped sports science laboratory. You will also learn how to use digital analysis systems to compare yourself and others with elite performers to fine tune sports skills and techniques, developing a strong scientific and academic approach.

● Where will it take me?

This course will allow progression directly to a Sports Science or other sports related Higher Educational pathway, including at the University Centre Truro and Penwith. Career paths available will include a role in sports, therapy, rehabilitation, nutrition, or performance analysis, along with most other sports related areas.

SPORT, FITNESS & PERSONAL TRAINING **LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA**

TRURO

This course is designed to develop both theoretical and practical application of a wide range of topics related to gym instruction and personal training, including business based modules, nutrition and health and safety. The course has embedded industry accreditation which allows you to progress directly to work in the sector, or further study.

● Why choose this course?

The course content gives you a broad introduction to working in the sport and fitness industry. This includes preparing you for working in a self-employed capacity, which is common practice in this industry. You will gain knowledge of the legal requirements for self-employment as well as learning how to build your business. The course content also allows you to develop technical skills in working with clients in a gym environment, carrying out gym inductions and leading small-group-based exercise, supported by underpinning knowledge of the body and specific populations.

● Where will it take me?

The course has a primary focus on progression to employment as a gym instructor or personal trainer and supports you in setting up your own personal training and exercise instruction business. University progression in a sports related area is also an option.

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STUDENT LIFE & OPPORTUNITIES

ENRICHMENT SESSIONS

At Truro and Penwith College, your experience goes far beyond the classroom. Alongside your course, you'll have access to a wide range of enrichment activities through our flexible and inclusive programme, designed to support your personal growth, wellbeing, and enjoyment throughout your time at college.

Our ENRICHment programme offers something for everyone - whether you're looking to try something new, continue a favourite hobby, meet students from other courses, or simply take a break from your studies. Activities run throughout the week and include everything from creative arts and board games to fitness, mindfulness, team sports, directed study and revision sessions. It's your one-stop shop for health, wellbeing, fitness, creativity, and connection.

The College's award-winning programme, led by a dedicated coordinator and team, promotes a healthy and supportive environment where students are encouraged to participate in regular social and recreational activities.

The programme is built on inclusivity and diversity, ensuring that all students feel welcome and able to join in - regardless of background, ability, or experience.

We understand that everyone has different motivations for getting involved - whether it's improving wellbeing, building friendships, staying active, or to help complete a challenge to raise money for charity. Whatever your reason, you'll find opportunities that match your interests and goals. Best of all, every activity is free to access.

If you have an idea for an activity that's not currently offered, just let us know. We're always open to new suggestions and expanding the programme to reflect the interests of our students.

ACADEMIES

As a full-time student, you could join one of our Academies. These have been set up to encourage development and excellence in a wide range of subjects such as music, academic study, the arts, and STEM as well as a variety of sports. Academy activities are a fixed weekly commitment throughout the academic year and are included into your timetable, enabling you to access as much as possible without interfering with your studies.

CAMPUS LIFE

As you can see, there are many chances for you to thrive, explore, develop and learn, but some days you may just like to enjoy campus life, meet your friends and relax in one of the cafés and outdoor areas around the campus.

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is universally recognised as one of, if not the best, programmes for the personal development of young people. If you participate in the award, you will experience an enjoyable, challenging and rewarding programme of personal development. Taking part builds confidence and develops self-esteem. It requires persistence, commitment and will have a lasting impact on your attitudes and outlook.

On the DofE programme, you will complete different types of activities to achieve an award e.g. volunteering, physical, skills, expedition and residentials.

CREATIVE ARTS

If you have an interest in the creative arts, you may be able to contribute to one of the many performances or exhibitions throughout the year, both at College and outside venues. Annually, the College holds an art and design exhibition that is open to the public. This event attracts hundreds of people daily.

TRAVEL OPPORTUNITIES

Travel opportunities exist either as part of your studies or for enrichment. Previous destinations have included Iceland, Eswatini, Canada, Valencia and Madrid, South Africa and Japan. There are also language exchange opportunities, local field trips and activity trips including surfing, coasteering and mountain and moorland expeditions.

FUNDRAISING

You may want to become part of the strong tradition of fundraising within the College. You and your friends can select charities to support, which in the past have included Shelterbox, CLIC, Lamin Appeal, Heart Foundation, Breast Cancer Care, Cancer Relief, Comic Relief and Children in Need. Fancy dress, hair dyeing and shaving are just some of the antics you could be involved with in order to raise funds as well as the more formalised events such as fun runs and marathons.

If you are an IB Diploma or Geography student, you can take part in the annual visit to Eswatini for the Shewula Orphan Project. Since 2001, Truro College students have raised over £15,000 for the Shewula Project, which is committed to building schools and providing education for AIDS orphans. All the money raised goes directly to support the orphans and it is the students themselves who decide which aspect of the project the money is used on.

You could see for yourself how money from previous years has been invested. You will spend days in the schools playing with the children and assisting in classrooms. In addition, the trip affords various stops to view the beautiful landscape and cultural sights of Eswatini.

STUDENT AMBASSADORS

You can help us spread the word about the amazing experience you have at Truro and Penwith College to future students. You can become a Student Ambassador and gain experience in PR work, visiting schools around the county, attending our Open Events as well as helping new students at the start of term.

STUDENT COUNCIL & STUDENT GOVERNOR

The Student Council exists to represent all full-time Further Education (FE) students in advising the College management of educational and recreational matters that are of interest to the students of the College. The Student Council is elected at the end of the first term. We also have one student governor form both sites, representing student views at relevant Board of Governor meetings.

THE COLLEGE CAMPUS & RESOURCES

REFRESHMENTS

The College has several eating areas around the campuses, which are operated by Caterlink. A wide variety of reasonably priced meals, sandwiches, drinks and snacks are all available on-site. Details of opening times are published on the College Intranet with weekly menus and any new offers. The College operates a cashless catering system or students can use a debit/credit card.

ACCESS

The buildings and facilities at Truro and Penwith College are accessible to all students. All parts of the College may be accessed by people with limited mobility and there are a number of lifts designated for their use.

LEARNING CENTRES/ LIBRARIES

The College has many Learning Centres and Libraries across the campus. Visit us to find the resources you need for your studies. We have physical resources such as books, journals and DVDs as well as your course textbooks.

The Online Learning Centre gives you access to eBooks, eJournals and suitable websites, most of which are also accessible off-campus. If you need help locating a resource or using the facilities in the Learning Centres & Libraries, you can speak to one of the friendly and experienced team who are there to assist you. All resources are free to borrow, we just ask that they are returned in good condition to the Library by their due date.

The College deposit enables the use of College resources. This is refundable at the end of your course when all resources are returned. The Learning Centres and Libraries also provide quiet places for studying, with plenty of study spaces, and open access computers, loaded with a wide range of software to assist you.

DIRECTED STUDIES

The Directed Studies programme became part of the College timetable in September 2022 as part of the College's catch-up plan.

Found in Learning Centres around the campuses, sessions are supported by a team of trained study coaches who are also qualified lecturers, working with students to ensure progression in line with their curriculum targets.

These sessions are routinely held twice a week for each student and last one hour and thirty minutes in one of three Learning Centres or a designated classroom.

While you have set curriculum work to carry out during these sessions, the coaches are happy to help with general study skills, research, and revision. The team are also able to support and explain study skills to students in order to develop their understanding of how to research, resource materials to achieve coursework, support their academic knowledge, revision for exams, and study skills. The team also provide guidance and resources around routes for progression including university and work placements.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The College has a large number of computers capable of using an extensive range of software, available for students to use on a drop-in basis. You will be expected to improve your awareness, and skills in, information technology (IT). There are many staff who can support you in your use of IT. The College has campus-wide Wi-Fi, which enables students to access the internet and complete College work using their own devices.

COLLEGE SHOP

Almost all of the materials needed for your course should be available through the shop. Prices are very competitive compared to retail outlets. Products available include photographic, electronic and computer consumables.

It also has a wide range of art and stationery materials. All the money for the trips and visits that take place in the College is collected here.

SUPPORT SERVICES

GCSEs & FUNCTIONAL SKILLS

Any student who is yet to achieve a Grade 4 in Maths and/or English (either Language or Literature) will be required to retake these qualifications. For those students who achieve a Grade 3, this will be GCSE. For those who achieve a Grade 2 or below this will be either GCSE or Functional Skills and will be determined by previous qualifications and an initial assessment.

For students who have already achieved a Grade 4, there are opportunities available to improve to a higher grade. In many cases, progression opportunities will be dependent on achievement of English and Maths.

Students can access this type of programme by speaking with their Head of Faculty (HoF).

LEARNING SUPPORT

Our team offer a range of support to learners on all programmes of study. Learners have a wide range of strengths and needs and so our support offer is tailored to each individual with a focus on preparing learners for adulthood and developing independence to ensure that they are ready for their life beyond college. Some examples of the support available include: advice and guidance in relation to Special Education Needs and disabilities (SEND), supported social spaces, sensory and calm spaces, assistive technology training, environmental auditing to ensure you can access learning with equity, tuition in maths, English and/or study skills, mentoring, assessment support, independent living skills programme, arrangement of provision as stated in EHCPs etc. Visit us in Mylor Learning Centre in Truro or the Lamorna building in Penwith, email learningsupport@truro-penwith.ac.uk or complete our online referral form to find out how we can support you.

The Learning Centres are a learning resource provided for all students. These multi-purpose, open access environments enable students to study at a pace and style appropriate to their needs. Each Learning Centre is equipped with computers and printers and staffed by friendly learning assistants and e-learners who can help you with general queries, finding/accessing appropriate resources and IT support. These are interactive, comfortable working environments so feel free to pop in to discuss what's available in more detail, we are here to help.

TUTOR SUPPORT

At Truro and Penwith College, you will get to know many members of staff and other students easily. You will be assigned a tutor who will usually be one of the people who teach you. Your tutor will get to know you well and will usually be the first person you go to if you need advice or help. You will also join a tutor group of students for which a senior member of staff will be responsible.

STUDENT SERVICES

If you are in need of advice, guidance and support, the Student Services team is dedicated to helping you. We want you to successfully complete your course and our professional team of staff will work with you, to support you in progressing into your future career or into Higher Education.

CAREERS GUIDANCE

The College has received the Investor in Careers Award in recognition of the comprehensive service that is provided and has fully met the Gatsby benchmarks for careers guidance. We have a commitment to offer impartial, supportive and timely careers guidance to all our students.

Our careers offer aligns to the six areas of the career development institutes framework; which is grow throughout life, create opportunities, explore possibilities, balance life and work, manage career and see the big picture. Our advice and guidance is closely linked to related activities such as tutoring, progress reviews, academic monitoring and mentoring. Through these activities, college staff begin to help students look at future options and identify when students need to be referred to careers advisors for more in-depth guidance.

Our Career Zone team are all professionally qualified in guidance theory and practice. Recommendations from the DfE support that they should hold a relevant qualification at Level 6 or above and be on the Career Development Institutes (CDI) register of career professionals. All Careers appointments are therefore delivered by staff who hold the Level 6 in Careers guidance and development or above.

Our Careers team includes a Careers Lead who has an overview of all progression and employability related activity at the College; this is measured against the eight Gatsby benchmarks. You will have the opportunity to discuss your personal progression routes and receive support in making decisions appropriate to your needs. College careers staff are highly-qualified, receive regular training and participate in many initiatives in this fast-changing field.

STUDENT SUPPORT - MENTAL HEALTH, WELLBEING & COUNSELLING SUPPORT

If there are any issues that a student feels they need advice and support with, such as anxiety, relationships or drugs and alcohol, they can see a member of the Student Services team. They can also advise on benefits and help with housing matters. Additionally, students can also talk to a mental health advisor and safeguarding officer within the team. Tutors will also support students with any of these matters.

Some students, while studying, may experience emotional and personal issues that would benefit from sharing with a trained counsellor. Truro and Penwith College offers a completely confidential counselling service that is free of charge to students.

MATRIX

Truro and Penwith College has received matrix accreditation. This is the national quality standard for any organisation that delivers information, advice and guidance on learning and work.

TRURO & PENWITH COLLEGE BURSARY FUND

This fund is to assist students with travel and essential equipment. Applicants are means tested. Applications can be made online through our website.

ATTENDANCE ADVICE

Advice is given by Personal Tutors on procedures to keep your attendance record accurate and up to date.

COLLEGE NURSERY PROVISION

The Truro College Nursery has Ofsted registration and government nursery funding is available for two, three or four-year-olds, meeting specific criteria. The Nursery is open Monday to Friday, between 8.00am and 6.00pm. The Nursery is registered to care for children from six weeks until their eighth birthday. Truro College Day Nursery aims to deliver high-quality care and education, suitable to the individual needs of each child. All members of staff are qualified to at least Level 2 in Childcare and Education. Contact the Nursery on 01872 305563 for further information.

It is important that you seek advice from Student Services regarding fees for childcare as some help may be available to you. Penwith College does not have its own nursery. Students needing childcare should speak to Student Services for a list of recommended local nurseries.

EQUALITY & SAFEGUARDING

EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

Truro and Penwith College is committed to meeting its duties contained in the Equality Act 2010. We aim to create a culture of inclusiveness and to challenge discrimination, taking positive action in order to remove barriers to the educational and personal progression of individual learners. To achieve this aim, the College will not tolerate unfair or unlawful discrimination.

The College's Equality, Diversity and Inclusion policy and commitment to the Investors in Diversity standard demonstrates that the College will seek to remove any existing barriers to all staff, students, governors and visitors, irrespective of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage or civil partnerships, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

Truro and Penwith College endeavours to promote an inclusive working and learning environment, which supports the individuals within its community, irrespective of their background. The College aims to promote equality of opportunity by providing full and equal access to all students who can benefit from its provision, and by encouraging and enabling all members of the College to build and contribute to a society that values cultural and social diversity. A focus on learner voice and involvement in instigating change reflects this commitment.

LEARNING DIFFICULTIES & DISABILITIES

The College welcomes applications from students with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Students can access a wide range of externally accredited and College certificated courses through programmes that are developed to meet individual needs. Learning support and specialist equipment are provided as required.

SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & VULNERABLE ADULTS

Truro and Penwith College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This means that we have a child protection and safeguarding policy and appropriate procedures in place. All staff, including volunteers and governors, must ensure that they are aware of these procedures and receive training.

Where the sharing of personal information with appropriate agencies is necessary for the vital interests of a student or other person (for safeguarding or life preserving measures), we will do this in accordance with our duties under the General Data Protection Regulation or other current legislation.

We will ensure that our concerns about our children, young people and vulnerable adults are discussed with their parents/ carers first (as appropriate); unless we have reason to believe that such a move would be contrary to the child's, young person's or vulnerable adult's welfare.

COLLEGE POLICIES & PROCEDURES

STUDENT LIFE

Truro and Penwith College has very few rules, but both you as a student and all College staff work within the Charter to ensure everyone has the most positive and beneficial experience possible.

Before you become a student at Truro and Penwith College, we aim to provide you with information about the courses we offer and the practicalities of being a student here. We will let you know about transport, finance, equipment and progression. If you have any additional needs, we will give you details of the individually tailored support you can expect at Truro and Penwith College.

Once you apply, you can expect us to process your application fairly and efficiently and, normally within three weeks of receipt of your application form, provide you with a date and time for an interview. The interview is a good opportunity for both you and the College to ensure you are choosing a course that is right for you and that you have all the information you need. After your interview, a decision about a place at Truro and Penwith College can usually be made.

When you start as a College student, we will give you a thorough induction. You will receive a lot of new information including details on learning resources, dates, security, health and safety, safeguarding, attendance, assignments and College rules, procedures and policies. You will also be provided with this information by email, which will give you a record of all the information for you to refer back to.

As a student at Truro and Penwith College, you will accept more responsibility for your work and your progress than during your time at school. Many courses require you to work extensively on your own in College and at home. First-class study facilities are available in the College and successful students use these effectively. We will help you to organise your work, but you will be responsible for ensuring that you meet deadlines.

The College requires that you attend regularly and punctually and that you meet the demands of your course. We hope that you will enjoy your time at Truro and Penwith College and the staff at the College will work with you to help you achieve success.

COLLEGE DAY

The College day for full-time students will usually last from 9.15am to 4.15pm. Students will have some private study time within their timetable.

THE TRURO & PENWITH COLLEGE CHARTER

Just as we expect our students to aim at achieving a high standard, so should students have expectations that the College will deliver high quality learning programmes and services. The College Charter, available from receptions and online, sets out in more detail the standards we will achieve.

DRUGS, ALCOHOL & SMOKING POLICY

The College does not condone the use of drugs or alcohol. We seek to educate students about drug and alcohol-related issues and provide help to those who ask for it. All Truro and Penwith College sites have a smoke and vape free policy.

DATA PROTECTION

We will ensure that your data is processed lawfully, collected for specified purposes only and held securely in a form that identifies you for no longer than is necessary. We recognise all duties under the Data Protection Regulation and any other current legislation.

FEES

If you are under the age of 19 on 31 August, you will not normally be charged fees for tuition. Overseas students or mature students will be liable for fees and details will be available from the College.

EXAMINATION FEES

Full-time students who do not pay tuition fees would not normally be asked to pay for examinations that are taken as part of the course, with the College's approval. Students who pay tuition fees will need to pay their own examination fees.

FEES WAIVER

Students who are in receipt of an income-related, tested state benefit may be eligible for a fee waiver in some circumstances. If you are concerned because you have to pay tuition fees, please contact Student Services on 01872 305711 or 01736 809407.



To view all our policies and procedures, please scan the QR code or visit: truro-penwith.ac.uk/policies-procedures

FAQ

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

● **My school has a sixth form; do I have to stay there?** Although you have to stay in full-time education until the end of the academic year in which you turn 18, it's your choice where you want to study.

● **Why should I choose Truro and Penwith College?** There are many reasons why Truro and Penwith College is a great place to study after you have finished school. See the 'Why choose us?' section of this prospectus for information.

● **Can I have a look around the College?** Truro and Penwith College run a number of Open Events throughout the year. Whether online or in person, you can hear from staff, view the fantastic facilities and find out about your life as a student. See inside the back page for full details.

● **Do courses have entry requirements?** Yes, most courses do, though we do offer courses for those with no prior qualifications. Learners applying with no prior qualifications will be invited to a maths and English initial assessment prior to interview. Please refer to the 'Options Explained' section for details of what grades you need to start your chosen course.

● **I can't decide what type of course to take; what might help me choose?** The 'What to Choose' section in this prospectus gives details about the types of courses we offer and what they entail. There is a huge choice at Truro and Penwith College, from A Levels and the IB to Vocational courses and Apprenticeships, so there is bound to be something to suit you here. Attending an Open Event is highly recommended to help you make this decision.

● **Can I go to university if I don't take A Levels?** The International Baccalaureate (IB) is recognised by universities as an increasingly popular, challenging alternative to A Levels. Many good Higher Education institutions respect the IB for its high standards and broad yet detailed approach. Level 3 Vocational courses also provide a proven route to university, providing the subjects are compatible. College Open Events are a great opportunity for you to find out whether the course you want to follow is suitable for applying to university, as is your interview.

● **Can I just enrol in an academy?** No. Academies are offered only in conjunction with a full-time programme of study. They are intended as a supplement for, and not an alternative to, the qualifications the College runs.

● **How do I apply for a course?** The applications process is covered fully in the 'How to Apply' section of this prospectus. Firstly, complete an application. This can be done online at truro-penwith.ac.uk

● **When can I apply and when will my interview take place?** You can submit your application whenever you like, usually from January onwards. Interviews take place at different times for everyone; this is because each application is looked at and assessed individually. Don't panic if your friend has an interview date sent to them before you do - you haven't been forgotten!

● **What questions will I be asked at my interview?** Your interview is not a pass/fail test. It is a consultation where you discuss your plans for your future both in and beyond education. Your course choices are looked at relative to your own aspirations, to ensure that the two things match up reasonably well. Parents or carers can attend their child's interview if they wish. At the interview, once a suitable course has been agreed, you will be sent an offer email. You need to fill this out and return it to us as soon as possible.

● **What if I don't get the GCSE grades I was expecting?** Firstly, don't panic! There's a course for everyone available at the College - not attaining your expected GCSE grades does not mean your offer to study here has been withdrawn. You will be asked to attend an advice session, to discuss whether pursuing your selected course is the right choice for you, or if another course might suit you better in light of your recent results.

● **How will I get to College?** Subsidised travel is available for all full-time students under 19 who meet the eligibility criteria. Please see the 'Your Journey to College' section for more details.

● **What is Enrichment?** Enrichment is an opportunity to further your current interests, or develop new ones. Options on offer can assist you in gaining further qualifications such as the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, or they can simply be a way for you to enjoy your hobbies. Further information can be found in 'The Low-down' section and on page 24.

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YOUR JOURNEY TO COLLEGE

For the vast majority of students, travelling to College by bus is a great option. Public transport is an environmentally friendly and reliable way to get here. We understand that you may be anxious about travel; after all, this might be a big change from your normal school journey, but rest assured that the bus service will get you to your lectures on time. Many of you will travel from all over Cornwall and so some journeys will take longer than you are used to. That's okay, you can use this time to study, relax and make friends. Wherever you are travelling from, your journey to Truro and Penwith College is the road to an inspiring future.

BUS PASSES

The Go Cornwall tendered bus service serves many routes around the county and is the preferred option as this will ensure direct arrival and departure which is co-ordinated around the College day. Where access to these dedicated routes are not possible, other Go Cornwall Public bus services around Cornwall are available.

Alternatively, you can use other public transport networks where there are no Go Cornwall scheduled routes or the dedicated Truro and Penwith College service. You will be able to purchase monthly passes or day tickets direct from these providers.

OUR 16-18 BURSARY

Students can apply to receive a bursary which could include support for travel, free school meals and kit for courses where this is a compulsory requirement. The bursary bandings are based on total household income per applicant - Full details, including how to apply, are available on our website via our transport page: truro-penwith.ac.uk/transport

01 CHOOSE the best travel option for you

Visit our website truro-penwith.ac.uk/transport for details of all your travel options. Choose the Go Cornwall College tendered bus service or other routes and services around Cornwall.

02 APPLY for a college bursary

The College can help most students with the costs of travel. Follow the link on our transport webpage to apply for your bursary.

04 ACTIVATE your Bus Pass in the App

Follow the instructions on the transport webpage to activate your pass on the GoCornwall App or RideTandem App for STEM & Health Skills Centre students.

03 BUY your pass on our online store

Visit the College Online Store to purchase your Go Cornwall or RideTandem passes. For other providers please purchase your pass on the Transport for Cornwall App.



SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL

Truro and Penwith College is working in partnership with Cornwall Council and Sustrans (the UK's sustainable transport charity - sustrans.org.uk) **to promote active, sustainable travel to College and reduce congestion.**

Choosing to travel on foot or by bicycle reduces air pollution and traffic congestion, while saving you money and keeping you fit. Using public transport also helps reduce your carbon footprint. Check out your travel options below and play your part in making Cornwall a better place to study.

Walking to College

Walking is a simple way to fit physical activity into your day; it's cheap and helps keep you fit. Why not switch your trip to the gym to your commute to College?

In Truro, the Coosebean Greenway offers a pleasant and direct walking route to the College from Truro City Centre; it links with shared-use footway/cycle paths along either side of the A390, which connects to the College and takes approximately 30 minutes to walk or 15 minutes to cycle.

There are numerous quieter walking opportunities from the centre of Penzance to Penwith College, which take approximately 15 minutes along residential streets.

Recent improvements in Bodmin have made it easier to travel in these ways. A shared-use footway/cycle path connects the STEM and Health Skills Centre to the town centre along Launceston Road and Priory Road. The town centre is only a 10-15 minute walk or cycle away, so why not beat the traffic and give it a try?

Cycling to College

Cycling is a great option for travelling to College, especially if you live within five miles, where journeys by bike can take less than 25 minutes. There are so many benefits to travelling by bike - it's good for your health and the environment and saves you money.

There is ample covered cycle storage around the campuses and showers/changing facilities are available (shown on the cycle facilities map available on the College website).

Cycling and Walking Routes

Details and maps of the cycling and walking routes that cross the county are available on the cornwall.gov.uk website. Search for active travel.

For details of the cycle routes that make up the National Cycle Network in Cornwall and for other useful active travel information, visit Sustrans at sustrans.org.uk/national-cycle-network

Buses

Buses are a great way to get here and for most students, they are the easiest way of travelling, with services running direct to the College. Please refer to the previous pages for details of the bus passes and bursaries.

Trains

Frequent mainline trains serve stations with regular buses connecting to the College. Why not opt for a multi-modal option? Bicycles can be transported by train - you'll need to make a booking for your bike if it's a high-speed train, non-bookable bike spaces are available on local trains. Check whether bike reservations are required at nationalrail.co.uk

Driving to College

Truro and Penwith College promotes the use of sustainable travel as the first option to get to your place of study. However, we recognise the fact that sometimes car travel is unavoidable. Carshare Cornwall provides a free service for passengers and drivers to link up and share car journeys. Click on the cost calculator on carsharecornwall.com to work out how much you could save.

Regrettably we do not offer car parking for students at the Truro College campus unless you are a Blue Badge holder or can evidence other specific criteria. Parking for Truro College is available at the Langarth Park and Ride car park.



Physical activity (like walking or cycling to College), can increase mental alertness, energy, positive mood and self-esteem, as well as reducing stress and anxiety.

Mental Health Foundation





TAKE THE NEXT STEP

Discover our range of career-focussed Adult Learning Courses and personal development opportunities

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Unlock your potential with our range of Personal Development courses, designed specifically for Adult Learners looking to enrich their lives by exploring new interests, building confidence and making positive changes at your own pace, all within a welcoming College or community environment.

Whether you are eager to tap into your creativity, learn a new skill or language, or focus on improving your health and wellbeing, our flexible and supportive classes offer something for everyone.

Find out more on our website or contact us for further information and advice:
t: 01872 308000
e: futureskills@truro-penwith.ac.uk

CAREER & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

If you are looking to re-train or gain a new qualification to boost your career we have a wide range of Professional and industry-recognised qualifications that will accelerate and advance your career or develop your workforce across all sectors.

Full and partial funding for your course may be available depending on your individual circumstances; please contact our Future Skills and Adult Learning Team to discuss your eligibility.

Find out more about all our courses and download the latest copy of our adult learning guide at: truro-penwith.ac.uk/professional-development

ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION

A great course for adults returning to education and a stepping-stone to university level courses. This route provides excellent study skills in specific subject areas, giving people the qualifications and confidence to succeed.

Truro College

- Art & Design
- Computing & IT
- Creative Media & Photography
- Engineering
- Humanities, Teaching & Law
- Medicine
- Nursing & Human Sciences
- Psychology & Social Work
- Science

Penwith College

- Creative Arts
- Humanities
- Health & Social Care

STEM & Health Skills Centre

- Computing & IT
- Nursing & Human Sciences
- Science



UNIVERSITY CENTRE TRURO & PENWITH

The University Centre offers a wide range of courses with both full-time and part-time routes delivered in a friendly environment with excellent teachers and modern facilities.

Top-up degrees: BA (Hons) Applied Media, BA (Hons) Business, Enterprise and Leadership, BA (Hons) Education and Training, BA (Hons) Human Behavioural Studies, BSc (Hons) Applied Computing Technologies, BSc (Hons) Applied Social Science, BSc (Hons) Archaeology, LLB (Hons) Law.

Foundation degree and HND/C subject areas include: Art and Media, Business and Law, Computing and IT, Education, Engineering and Construction, Health, History & Archaeology, Initial Teacher Training courses and University short courses.

For more information about the exciting range of Higher Education and Access to Higher Education opportunities and a copy of the latest course guide, just call us on 01872 305746 or email heenquiry@truro-penwith.ac.uk

Alternatively, discover more online at truro-penwith.ac.uk/uni or attend one of our College Open Events. Details can be found on the inside back page.

READY TO SEE HOW FAR YOU CAN GO?

01

Explore your options on our website

Our website has lots of useful information and all the course details to help you choose what's right for you. Start by thinking about what subjects are your favourites at school, or what your dream career might be and what courses will help you get there. You can use our online Career Coach assessment tool to help if you're unsure where to start.

02

Come and see our fantastic facilities and meet the team

Our Open Events are a great way to hear from teaching staff, see our fantastic facilities, find out about the subjects you are interested in and discover new options. Even if you're still in year 9 or 10, it's never to early to start thinking about your future. Come along to any of our events and find out about your next steps. See our dates listed opposite.

03

Apply online and start your journey to an inspiring future

It's easy to choose your courses and apply online. We'll then invite you to attend a short interview where you can discuss your choices. Once you've accepted your place with us, we'll continue to keep in touch with further details about bus passes, bursaries and enrichment options. We'll also give you information about how to confirm your GCSE grades when you receive them and about our handy advice sessions.

We look forward to welcoming you for your induction and discovering how far you will go!

OPEN EVENTS



MEET THE STAFF
TOUR THE CAMPUS
EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

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Correct at time of print. Prospective students should check with the College for up-to-date information. This document is a guide for students and parents. It is not intended to create any contractual relationship. Courses and other details may be modified if necessary. Programmes of study leading to a qualification are subject to the approval and regulations of awarding bodies.

Department data taken from 2023/24 Truro and Penwith College Programme Area Reports.

Many thanks to all our students, past and present, who appear in this prospectus.



OPEN EVENTS

Truro and Penwith College holds Open Events throughout the year. See our fantastic facilities, learn more about our courses from expert tutors, explore your options and discover how far you can go.

TRURO COLLEGE

Sat 08 Nov 2025 Open Day 9am - 3pm
Tue 13 Jan 2026 Open Evening 5 - 8pm
Mon 19 Jan 2026 IB Info Evening at 6.30pm
Sat 28 Feb 2026 Open Day 10am - 1pm
Tue 28 Apr 2026 Open Evening 5 - 8pm

PENWITH COLLEGE

Sat 11 Oct 2025 Open Day 10am - 1pm
Tue 20 Jan 2026 Open Evening 5 - 8pm
Sat 07 Mar 2026 Open Day 10am - 1pm
Tue 05 May 2026 Open Evening 5 - 8pm

STEM & HEALTH SKILLS CENTRE

Sat 15 Nov 2025 Open Day 10am - 3pm
Sat 24 Jan 2026 Open Day 10am - 1pm



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St Clare Street, Penzance TR18 2SA
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STEM & Health Skills Centre
Ottery Building, Old Callywith Road, Bodmin PL31 2GU
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