

## Progression to Vocational Learning

Study Mode: Full Time

### Is this course right for me?

The Progression to Vocational Learning Programme aims to develop students to prepare them progress into a vocational programme of their choice. This course enables the student to:

- Develop their personal motivation, confidence, and resilience.
- Develop their decision-making skills for their own life ambitions.
- Develop problem-solving skills and self-regulation strategies.
- Complete practical and relevant independent living tasks
- Develop skills in decision making, communication, organisation, shopping, travel and using money.
- Undertaking vocational-related learning to enhance their employability skills.

Working across the College in the different subject areas, students will have the opportunity have 'taste tests' of the courses they would like to progress onto.

**Foundation** level is aimed at those students who are transitioning from their previous educational environments and this course will enable them to understand new independence with support in their new educational environment as we understand this is a substantial change for them.

**Stage one** enables them to further develop those skills they have gained and continue the 'taste tests' of different areas of the college they are aspiring to enter in Vocational Learning. Whilst learning about those different vocational learning areas, they will be learning how to live more independently, the importance of healthy living and developing those vital employability skills, that will underpin their understanding in those different vocational areas. As the student progresses through the course, they will work towards a Diploma in Employability Entry 3. The qualification covers preparing to learn in college, planning for progression, personal finance, searching and applying for job, safe learning in the workplace and working as part of a team.

## **Entry Requirements**

Students should have achieved at Entry level 2

## **What will I learn?**

At the start of the programme students will undertake an initial review which will inform the learning programme, assess their starting points and identify any gaps in learning.

Students will select from a range of vocational topics in order to help them identify their potential work preferences for the future.

Students will also work towards English and Maths qualifications in accordance with their skills, abilities and prior learning.

Students will be expected to play an active role in their study programme, working closely with their Tutor to make choices about their learning and work towards personalised outcomes which will enable them to progress. For some learners these choices can involve parents/carers and other professionals working with the student.

## **What skills will I gain?**

On this course students will:

- Develop their personal motivation, confidence and resilience
- Develop problem-solving skills and self-regulation strategies
- Develop and awareness of health, safety and hygiene in the home
- Learn about healthy eating, costs and budgeting, food handling and storage, equipment safety
- Complete practical and relevant independent living tasks
- Develop skills in decision making, communication, organisation, shopping, travel and using money
- Develop communication and independence skills
- Develop essential employability skills including timekeeping, following instructions, problem solving and working independently and as part of a team
- Develop communication and independence skills through taking part in a community skills projects

## **How will I be assessed?**

At the start of the programme students will have an initial assessment to review their starting points, aspirations and personal goals, and will be assessed on an ongoing basis against their baselines.

Tutors will agree targets with the student to enable them to work towards meeting any Educational, Health Care Plan outcomes that they might have. They will be assessed against a Recognising and Recording Progress and Achievement (RARPA) framework and, along with parents/carers where appropriate, will meet with their tutor on a termly basis to review progress towards personal outcomes, and to look forward to advancing towards the next steps.

Some students will take part in English and Maths assessments which will enhance their ability to progress academically. Such assessments will be considered when appropriate for each individual learner.

## What can I do next?

Completion of this course will enable students to:

- Progress to another Futures programme
- Apply for jobs in a relevant field
- Carry out voluntary work

## Delivery

**Location:** Wellington Road Campus

**Start Date:** 07/09/2026

**Day:**

**Time:**

**Course Fee:**

**Course Code:** X0004

**Study Mode:** Full Time

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