A PLACE TO IMAGINE.

2022/23 PROSPECTUS
IMAGINE YOUR FUTURE
When you think about your next steps and imagine what your future holds, there will be many things that go through your mind.

Not every question that you have needs an immediate answer; you have time to grow, explore, learn and be inspired – all of the things you will be encouraged and supported to do during your time at Carmel.

From the moment you arrive you will be guided and supported by our dedicated academic and pastoral teams who, as well as being experts in their fields, are passionate about your growth and success, and it’s that which drives them to inspire you.

This prospectus gives you a window into what your life at Carmel will be like; the opportunities, details on over 40 courses on offer, the High Achievers+ and Enrichment Programmes as well as the academic and wider support and facilities.

A prospect is a possibility for the future and I hope that you enjoy exploring our prospectus and discovering how Carmel, its people, places and spaces can inspire you to learn, believe and achieve.

OUR MISSION:
TO BE A CENTRE OF EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE, OPPORTUNITY, CHALLENGE AND SUPPORT WITHIN A CARING, CHRISTIAN ENVIRONMENT.

Carmel is a Catholic Sixth Form College welcoming students of all faiths and from all backgrounds.

We are committed to developing a community where each student is enabled to reach their potential feeling supported, safe and happy during their time here.

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WELCOME
"My time at Carmel College has been fantastic and the support I have received from teachers and members of staff has been second to none. The sense of community that is within the college makes it stand out. Everyone is very welcoming and accepting of whoever walks through the college gates. Carmel has been by far the best option for me and I have loved every minute of being in this college."

Sarah Bate
ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE, SPANISH, BTEC PERFORMING ARTS (THEATRE)
NOW STUDYING ACTING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL LANCASHIRE

"A CULTURE OF EQUALITY & DIVERSITY ACROSS THE COLLEGE. STUDENTS FLOURISH IN THIS INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT AS CONFIDENT AND MATURE INDIVIDUALS."

OFSTED 2019
You can look forward to your days at Carmel College being full from 9:00am until 4:00pm (with morning and lunchtime breaks).

It isn’t only your chosen subjects that will fill your day, you’ll have time to study independently (approx 5hrs per subject per week) - great preparation to becoming more independent, not only for university, but also for your future employment.

It’s as important to us as it is to you that as well as achieving great academic success, you develop your personal skills and build confidence while you’re a student at Carmel.

We want you to feel prepared for your next steps and we support you in this by providing other activities such as: Enrichment – sports, student council, fundraising, Duke of Edinburgh, Future Leaders, etc; Skills Development – societies, work experience placements, social, moral & cultural education sessions and additional support and study skills sessions.
Students perform best when they’re in an environment where they feel safe, comfortable and productive and the £23M investment in Carmel has created an inspiring place of learning.

The campus provides you with outstanding technology-rich facilities for sciences, IT, modern languages, humanities, performance, sport and Foundation Learning.

The Connect virtual learning environment gives you access to everything you need from your devices; from subject resources and submitting work online to college timetables and activities. You will have access to Office 365 with your personal college email address and cloud storage which can be installed on up to 5 devices at home for FREE.
“A VIBRANT AND MODERN CAMPUS WITH EXCELLENT LEARNING FACILITIES.”

OFSTED 2019
Spend it indoors, outdoors, living, learning, working, relaxing, creating & performing.

- **WI-FI ENABLED CAMPUS**
  with superfast Broadband, 1200 PCs, Office 365 and remote access

- **PERFORMANCE THEATRE**
  with 200 seats, stage management equipment and light/sound gallery

- **STUDIO**
  with semi-sprung floor, rehearsal spaces and changing facilities

- **DIGITAL LANGUAGE LAB**
  with the latest technology

- **FULLY EQUIPPED FOUNDATION LEARNING FLAT**
  with a kitchen, lounge area, sensory garden and greenhouse.
• **FLOODLIT 3G PITCHES**
as well as grass rugby & football pitches

• **SPORTS HALL**
for netball, basketball, volleyball, badminton etc

• **FITNESS STUDIO**
with cardio/resistance machines and free weights

• **6 ART & DESIGN STUDIOS**
for Fine Art, Graphic Design, Photography, Fashion & Textile Design, 3D Design and UAL Creative Practice

• **CHAPLAINCY**
a quiet space for prayer, reflection and spiritual growth

• **LIBRARY & STUDY CENTRE**
10,000+ resources plus additional online resources including links with The University of Liverpool and Liverpool Hope University

• **RESTAURANT AND COFFEE BAR**
Serving **Costa** coffee, breakfast, hot & cold lunches and snacks.
You will be encouraged to enjoy everything that Carmel has to offer that extends beyond just passing your exams.

If you’ve ever wanted to try something new, then Carmel’s Enrichment Programme of over 45 activities has something for everyone. Our Get Active Co-ordinator organises lots of activities including Badminton, Hockey, Boxfit, Yoga and Archery as well as outdoor pursuits such as climbing, abseiling and kayaking. Students can turn up and use the gym facilities free of charge during college time.

Or you could join a sports team and play competitively. We have girls and boys football and rugby teams plus basketball and netball teams.

There are also lots of clubs and societies you could join covering environmental issues, debating, law, literature, chess, film, performing arts and even podcasting! You really will be spoilt for choice.

If you crave something more physical, you can be challenged and rewarded on the DofE Gold Award where you’ll gain skills and experiences valued by universities and employers, all whilst having fun with friends.

You can also learn how to speak Mandarin (with a trip to China!) or sit your driving theory test.
Do your interests lie in changing things? Then Kath and the college Chaplaincy will make you feel right at home. The Chaplaincy enrichment groups allow you to BE the change you want to see! Whatever your passions; striving for climate action, standing in solidarity with refugees or realising a better, fairer world, you will have plenty of opportunities through the CAFOD Young Leaders & Interact Groups.

It isn’t just the wider world that needs your support. The college welcomes students as Ambassadors who are part of a select group who represent the college at events throughout the year, giving a student voice and sharing your lived experience of life at Carmel.

Every spring we also elect members of the Student Council to represent all students at Carmel. They take up any important issues with the College Management Team on behalf of students and initiate a number of campaigns and fundraising activities.

However you decide to spend your time, we’re here to help you make new friends.
TRIPS & VISITS

Bringing your academic study to life.

#GiantsCauseway
Belfast

#Reichstag
Berlin

#Playhouse Theatre
Liverpool

#Amazon
Manchester

#WorldTradeCentre
New York

#PrisonExperience
Shrewsbury

#PlayaMayor
Spain
SUPPORTING YOU

You are supported and encouraged to be the best version of yourself, to reach your goals & fulfill your potential.

You can turn to our tutors for help and advice at any time. They support you in all aspects of college life.

ADVICE AND GUIDANCE ON ACADEMIC PROGRESS AND PERSONAL WELLBEING
ONE-TO-ONE SUPPORT AND PROGRESS REVIEWS
TUTORIALS – EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS, STUDY SKILLS, CAREER PROGRESSION AND MORE!
HELP WITH UCAS, JOB AND APPRENTICESHIP APPLICATIONS
DELIVERY OF THE 10:10 PROGRAMME
ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT

Beyond teaching, you will have access to a wealth of support through your Personal Achievement Tutor and our Additional Learning Support Team.

The Personal Achievement Tutors (PATs) provide advice and guidance on your academic progress and help you with your physical and mental well-being.

They hold regular one-to-one support and progress reviews with you and consultation evenings with your parents.

They will inspire you to fulfill your potential by encouraging you to participate in the many enrichment and 10:10 Programme sessions. These sessions will stretch and challenge you, allowing you to grow in confidence and develop as a person.

Our Additional Support Tutors are there for you if you ever feel like you need support with revision strategies, stress management, writing techniques, report & presentation writing or just proof reading coursework.

The Additional Learning Support team are experienced in supporting students who have a broad range of learning disabilities and difficulties.

Whether your additional needs are emotional, physical, cognitive or developmental, the team can help to identify what support is available to make your learning experience at Carmel as accessible and independent as possible.

You can speak in confidence to Clare Griffiths, our Head of Additional Support about your individual needs, starting your course or any other aspect of college life.
“At Carmel there’s a great system of support from PATs that makes college life easier and helps guide you to a future suitable for you. As well as supporting your transition, PATs also help with your university application process and personal development. Also, the independence given here helps you grow as a student and helps bridge the gap between school and university. Carmel is the perfect place to learn!”

Christine Timbal
ECONOMICS, HISTORY, MATHS, EPQ
NOW STUDYING INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
AT KING’S COLLEGE LONDON

welcoming, + supportive.

“CAREERS ADVISORS, PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT TUTORS AND TEACHERS WORK CLOSELY WITH INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS TO SUPPORT THEM TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR NEXT STEPS.”

OFSTED 2019
The services we provide to you extend beyond learning, emotional and physical support; there is also a range of financial and accessibility support.

We don’t want any barriers getting in the way of your potential. If you are experiencing financial difficulties linked to your learning, are in care or a care leaver, are in receipt of financial allowances then there are a range of bursaries available to help you.

Free college meals are available to students who meet the financial criteria and if you have a child, there is support available through Care to Learn. Other general financial support is also available (scan the QR code).

As well as support, there are also perks! Carmel students benefit from reduced gym memberships at local leisure centres and a TOTUM Extra card for nationwide discounts and promotions on travel, fashion, music & technology.

Travelling here couldn’t be easier, even if you don’t live on our doorstep. The college is on a main public bus route from Knowsley/Liverpool. Our contracted buses cover Warrington, Widnes, Leigh, Lowton, Golborne and Ashton-in-Makerfield.

Car Parking is FREE on the neighbouring West Park Rugby Club and there are also areas for moped and bicycle parking on campus.

You can pick up more information at our Open Events or view the latest updates on our website.
“My experience at Carmel has been an incredibly positive one, helping me develop both socially and academically. Whilst at the college, I’ve received masses of help from my teachers who were always willing to support me, enhancing my applications and subject work. The teachers are very welcoming, with a clear passion for the subjects they teach, making their lessons engaging and being approachable for either in person or online support.”

Dan Curran
GRAPHIC DESIGN, GEOGRAPHY, MATHEMATICS
NOW STUDYING ARCHITECTURE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER
Getting you ready for your future is part of the care and support you’ll receive during your time at Carmel. You will be provided with all the support you need from our dedicated and experienced staff.

Your future may include university, an apprenticeship or employment. Our Personal Achievement Tutor Programme and Careers Service will give you the guidance and help you need with your applications.

During your studies, you may want to volunteer or take part in activities to help you stand out from the crowd. However you want to prepare for your next steps, we’re here to support you.

It’s not only life after Carmel that you are supported with. If you want to gain experience in the workplace during your studies, you will benefit from speaking to our Work Experience Co-ordinators who have links with over 500 organisations. They will support you in finding a rewarding placement that blends well with your studies and career path.

The information, advice and guidance that you receive from our professionally qualified Careers Advisors through our Careers Hub, has been awarded the Matrix Quality Standard – the International quality standard for advice and guidance.
Considering a career in medicine, dentistry, veterinary practice, law, teaching or science?
As a Carmel student, you will have the opportunity to enhance your learning and develop employability skills that are sought after by universities and employers.

The Medical Society, Science Society, Young Citizen’s Mock Trial and Future Teachers Programme all provide you with tools, resources and opportunities to develop knowledge and gain practical experience in your chosen area.

The Medical and Science Societies will support you with your university application, helping you to develop your personal statement; enhancing your research, presentation and questioning skills, as well as taking part in weekly meetings and bespoke sessions to develop critical thinking skills.

Active learning experiences such as the Mock Trial competition and placements in schools are a great way to build confidence and team working skills as well as giving insight into the judicial and education systems.

Students can also get hands on with activities and projects that contextualise their studies. Our Tomorrow’s Engineers Programme gives students the opportunity to take part in STEM masterclasses and the Physics Olympics competition as well as trips and visits to CERN in Geneva, Daresbury Labs and the STEM Big Bang Fair.

Talented athletes gain access to the Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS) to participate in workshops and receive mentoring from professional and elite performers.

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### MDV Programme

**The Medical Society covers medical, dental and veterinary career topics as well as supporting you through presentations, discussion groups and visiting speakers.**

### SciSoc

**The Science Society will help you develop your research, presentation & questioning skills that you will need to succeed in STEM careers.**

### Future Teachers

**Provides you with practical experience in schools and develops your knowledge and confidence, giving you a head start on the path to becoming a teacher.**

### Mock Trial Competition

**Take on the role of a barrister and defend or prosecute in the Crown Court in front of a judge and jury made up of students from other colleges.**

### Tomorrow’s Engineers

**Engage in activities and competitions that contextualise engineering. Attend talks and visit places such as the STEM Big Bang Fair, Daresbury Labs & CERN Geneva.**

### Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme

**Participate in sports workshops and be guided on university & scholarship applications in the UK and abroad.**

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**“DEDICATED WORK EXPERIENCE**

**STAFF WORK WITH STUDENTS TO**

**DEVELOP BESPOKE PLACEMENTS**

**AND ACTIVITIES THAT MATCH**

**STUDENTS’ FUTURE CAREER GOALS & AMBITIONS.”**

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OFSTED 2019
If you are expecting to receive the highest grades in your GCSEs and are interested in applying to the most competitive universities, then the High Achievers+ Programme at Carmel is for you.

If you have an average GCSE point score of 7.0 you will be automatically enrolled onto the HA+ Programme. Students can also join the Programme by being nominated as gifted and talented by a subject teacher.

From day one HA+ students at Carmel benefit from:

- A HA+ Tutor Group with a supportive HA+ peer group
- A HA+ Personal Achievement Tutor for guidance and support
- Support from specialist HA+ Academic and Pastoral teams to prepare for progression
- Access to the outstanding HA+ Super Curriculum

Our HA+ students are supported to progress competitively, each receiving outstanding careers advice. You will complete supported research in the Autumn term of Lower Sixth and select a progression pathway to ensure you receive specific progression advice and Super Curricular opportunities.

Our HA+ Super Curriculum enables our students to become independent learners. Designed by our academic staff, it includes an internal lecture programme and HA+ Enrichment including Critical Thinking, Chem Soc, the MDV pathway and the Debating Society. External activities include the University of Cambridge HE+ Programme, The Brilliant Club: Scholars Programme and Villiers Park Leadership Challenge.

The HA+ Programme includes progression support such as visits, lectures and mentorship from the University of Cambridge, University of Oxford, University of Liverpool, UAL and many more competitive HE progression destinations. Plus support for students applying to apprenticeships, employment, and international study.

The High Achievers+ Programme will support you, challenge you and it will inspire you to be the best you can be academically and to succeed in your chosen path beyond Carmel.

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)
This sought-after qualification is offered to all High Achievers and will demonstrate your subject enthusiasm and can even lower your UCAS points offer.

More about the Extended Project Qualification
More about our High Achievers+ Programme
“My time at Carmel has helped me to fulfil my academic potential. I’ve been able to explore my A Level subjects beyond their specification through Enrichment activities such as the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge and the Biology Olympiad which allowed me to engage more meaningfully with my subjects. The EPQ has also helped me refine my research and report writing skills which will be essential for university level education.”

Jacob Walsh
BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, MATHEMATICS
NOW STUDYING MEDICINE AT MAGDALENE COLLEGE CAMBRIDGE

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OFSTED 2019
ONE OF THE TOP THREE Sixth Form Colleges in the country*

PASS RATES 2022

99.4%
LEVEL 3 PASS RATE

68.1%
TOP GRADES (A*-B/DIST*-DIST)

87.8%
HIGH GRADES (A*-C/DIST*-MERIT)

OUTSTANDING PROGRESS

Just as important as looking at league tables, A Level grades and pass rates, are the ‘value added’ scores produced by the A Level Performance System (ALPS).

ALPS measures the distance travelled by students from their GCSE grades at school to their final A Level grades. These ‘value added’ scores are the best way to compare student achievements in schools and colleges.

Over a number of years Carmel has sustained outstanding ‘value added’ scores, showing that whatever a student’s GCSE results, they will make fantastic progress at Carmel - a great start to a successful future!

*The Times % A*/A*-B Grades (19/08/22)
“I really enjoyed my time at Carmel College. My teachers motivated me to apply to a top university and helped me secure a place.”

“I loved my time at Carmel. I’ve always felt supported and the staff have been incredible. I’m so glad I chose Carmel as my college.”

“During my time at Carmel, the staff went above and beyond to make sure we were able to reach our potential.”

Stephanie Pook
HOPE ACADEMY
HISTORY, ENGLISH COMBINED, EPQ,
BTEC HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE, (A*AA, DIST*)
HISTORY, UNIVERSITY OF YORK

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Elisha Ainsworth
RAINFORD HIGH
BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, ENGLISH LIT (AAA)
HUMAN SCIENCES, OXFORD

Jack Mitchell
HOPE ACADEMY
MEDIA, ENGLISH LANG, 3D DESIGN (AAA)
FILM PRODUCTION,
UNIVERSITY OF SALFORD

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ST. PETER & PAUL
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You’ll be joining students from all faiths and backgrounds at Carmel, becoming part of our diverse and thriving college community.

### Here are your 6 steps to joining us

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<td>You want to make sure that you have the right information to help you make choices that are best for you. Our prospectus is a good place to find out more about life at Carmel and the courses available. <strong>You are invited to attend one of our Open Events to see the college and meet our staff,</strong> and if your school has a link with Carmel, we may also be visiting your school.</td>
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<td>2. <strong>Make your application</strong></td>
<td>Go to <a href="http://www.carmel.ac.uk">www.carmel.ac.uk</a> by 31st January 2023 to make your application and you will receive an automated notice that we’ve received your application.</td>
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<td>3. <strong>Have your guidance interview</strong></td>
<td>You will have the opportunity to discuss your career aspirations, predicted GCSE results, choice of subjects and the entry requirements at an informal interview. These take place between October 2022 and March 2023.</td>
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<td>4. <strong>Spend a day at Carmel</strong></td>
<td>In May you’ll receive an email invitation to come to a <strong>Taster Day at Carmel in June/July</strong> where you’ll have the opportunity to try out your chosen subjects.</td>
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<td>5. <strong>Enrol on your courses</strong></td>
<td>If you meet the entry requirements, you will enrol at Carmel College in <strong>August 2023</strong> on GCSE Results Day. The time of your enrolment will be sent to you in June.</td>
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<td>6. <strong>Start your life at Carmel</strong></td>
<td>Congratulations, <strong>you are now a Carmel College student!</strong> In September, you will begin your induction programme to help you settle into college life. We look forward to seeing you!</td>
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### OPEN EVENTS

Come along and see our fantastic facilities.

- **WED 12 OCT 2022** 5:00–7:30pm
- **TUES 8 NOV 2022** 5:00–7:30pm
- **THURS 17 NOV 2022** 5:00–7:30pm

Apply online by Tuesday 31st Jan 2023
Effectiveness of leadership & management

**OUTSTANDING**

Students excel & strive to achieve the very high standards set in a culture of great expectations and uncompromising ambition.

Throughout the year, we hold events that help students prioritise their physical and mental health. We encourage them to make the most of their potential and take a fulfilling role in all aspects of life.

Quality of teaching, learning & assessment

**OUTSTANDING**

We have high expectations and standards, matched by our skilled and enthusiastic teachers who inspire and motivate their students.

Personal Development, behaviour & welfare

**OUTSTANDING**

There is a culture of compassion where students are encouraged to express their own ideas through an extensive range of additional activities.

Here students’ self-confidence & self-awareness are built through purposeful and relevant learning experiences.

Outcomes for learners

**OUTSTANDING**

Students make excellent progression to university, further education, employment and apprenticeships. Students feel well prepared for life after Carmel and outcomes are high.

Safeguarding

**OUTSTANDING**

Students make excellent progress and feel safe knowing who to talk to and how to raise concerns about themselves or others. Keeping students safe is a high priority for our governors, managers and staff at all levels. Effective and well-developed policies are followed by all staff.

If students have any concerns about their wellbeing whilst studying at Carmel, their Personal Achievement Tutor (PAT) is there to help them.

Study Programme

**OUTSTANDING**

Teachers plan and provide highly effective and engaging lessons. Teachers use expert questioning to stimulate a deeper understanding of the subject.

Learners with high needs

**GOOD**

There are well planned and well managed individual transition arrangements to ensure that students settle very quickly into college life. Students participate in a rich and extensive programme, including promoting well-being and developing personal welfare knowledge.
You may know the career path you want to take and what courses will help you to get there and if you do, that’s great but make sure you still do your research.

Alongside your predicted grades, entry requirements for the course you want to study are a good starting point in informing your decision, but they’re not the only things to look at.

If you know what career you want or what degree / further academic study you want to move onto, check if there are any subject specific requirements before deciding.

If you are considering university, you’ll want to choose subjects that give you the best chance of success so think about subject combinations and how they complement each other.

If you’re not sure what your next steps will be, think about the subjects that you enjoy and those that you do well in. By keeping your choices broad, you keep your options open.

Take time to consider what type of assessment suits your learning style; do you do well in timed exams or do you do better when you’re assessed through coursework? Will A Levels, BTECs or T Levels best suit your style?

Most Carmel students follow a Level 3 Programme, studying three A Levels (or equivalent) and the timetable is extremely flexible giving you many different course combination possibilities.

Your personal study programme will help you prepare for your next step whether that be university, an apprenticeship, further training or employment.

Remember, this is all about you and your experience at Carmel. Any questions you have will be answered at your guidance interview and we will discuss subject specific entry requirements for your chosen study programme.

Apply online by Tuesday Jan 31st 2023
Entry Requirements

College entry requirements can be found on our website, along with subject specific requirements on the individual web pages.

You will be given specific entry requirements for your chosen study programme at your guidance interview.

COURSES ON OFFER

LEVEL 3 - A LEVELS / BTECs / T-LEVELS

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For students joining the Foundation Learning Department, please contact Head of Foundation Learning, Caroline Oates for further details on Entry Requirements.
A LEVEL 3D DESIGN
You will explore a wide range of materials and processes to create 3 dimensional outcomes. This course involves:
• The full design process, manipulating new materials, experimenting and problem solving
• Researching, recording and annotating from a wide variety of materials including paper, card, wood, metal, glass, plaster, clay and wire
• Creating outcomes including architectural, lighting, body adornment, sculpture, furniture, set design, product design and 3D design

A LEVEL FINE ART
The broadest of all the individual Art and Design specialisms, Fine Art covers a wide variety of media and techniques. This course involves:
• Traditional drawing, painting, printmaking and sculpture
• Opportunities to explore film, photography and digital media
• Practical and theoretical workshops
• Research into the work of professional artists

A LEVEL FASHION AND TEXTILE DESIGN
You will explore visual information to develop creative investigations into textiles and fashion. This course involves:
• Exploration of surface, texture, colour, materials and construction
• Involvement in the design process, from initial inspiration to final realisation
• Experimenting with print, dye, stitch and constructed textiles
• Developing an understanding of professional contexts in fashion and interior design plus art textiles

A LEVEL GRAPHIC DESIGN
Graphic Design is one of the biggest growth areas in the Creative Industries and covers all sorts of areas from animation and concept art, to branding and advertising, to fashion promotion and layout design. This course involves:
• Project-based assignments including packaging, creating a magazine, character design and music videos
• Exploring techniques including typography, printmaking, collage and illustration
• Using industry standard Adobe Cloud software
A LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY
You will learn how to capture images across a number of fields of Photography including Fashion, Portraiture, Street Photography, Documentary, Sport, Fine Art and Studio. This course involves:
- Digital photography skills & techniques
- Digital editing including the use of Adobe Premiere, Photoshop and InDesign
- Traditional analogue and chemical based processes
- Video capture and editing, including Animation
- Studio lighting techniques
- Theoretical and contextual understanding

LEVEL 3 UAL Extended Diploma in Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication
This is a two-year, full-time Art and Design course equivalent to 3 A Levels. It is specifically designed for students who love their creative subjects and want a creative career. This course involves:
- Opportunities to specialise in your chosen area
- An in-depth introduction to the Creative Industries
- Developing knowledge, skills and attributes associated to the creative process
- Engagement with employers and companies through live briefs
- Workshops by industry professionals

BTEC BUSINESS
Extended Certificate – Equivalent to 1 A Level Diploma – Equivalent to 2 A Levels
Develop a real understanding of what is involved, both theoretically and practically, in becoming an effective business professional. This course involves:
- Units covering marketing, personal and business finance, event management, international business and principles of management
- Practical activities such as market research, teamwork and project management
- A work placement in year two
- 50% coursework and 50% exams

A LEVEL BUSINESS STUDIES
Learn the principles behind how to run your own company or manage effectively. You will develop key employability skills such as analysis, critical thinking and decision making. This course involves:
- Gaining knowledge of increasing profits, recruiting, managing employees, operations management, marketing topics
- The assessment of large multinational firms exploring financial strategies, competitive strategies, operational strategies, HR strategies
A LEVEL COMPUTER SCIENCE
An intensely creative subject that combines invention and excitement, looking at the natural world through a digital prism. You will gain technical knowledge and the ability to analyse and solve problems using computational thinking. This course involves:
- Understanding of how the computer works and what it can do
- Developing programming skills
- An introduction to the internal workings of the Central Processing Unit (CPU)
- How to develop software
- The legal and ethical issues associated with the use of computer systems

LEVEL 3 CRIMINOLOGY
Applied Diploma
An exciting subject which incorporates aspects of Law, Sociology and Psychology, and will allow you to understand crime and deviance in detail. This course involves:
- Learning about the impact crime and criminal behaviour have on society
- Understanding different theories of crime
- Analysing real and contemporary case studies
- Studying the inner workings of the criminal justice system

A LEVEL ECONOMICS
Economics is the study of scarce resources and how those resources are allocated to various uses in a country. This course involves:
- Developing your understanding of both economic and political concepts, theories and issues
- Critically evaluating national and global events and decisions that impact your life
- The study of Micro, Macro and Global Economics
* If you wish to study Economics at university, most universities would also require A Level Maths

A LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE
A popular A level appealing to students because it examines texts in the real world such as adverts, newspaper articles and social media platforms. This course involves:
- How & why language is used in specific ways (audience, purpose & attitudes)
- Learning new terminology to help you write analytically and concisely
- Language of speech
- Language Change
- English in the twenty first century
- Language Investigation: coursework on Gender or Culture. You have the freedom to choose your own data.

A LEVEL ENGLISH LITERATURE
English Literature appeals to students who are passionate about reading, debating and interpreting texts from a range of historical periods. This course involves:
- Critical appreciation of literary texts, demonstrating close analysis of poetry, prose and drama through cogent, detailed essays
- Poetry written in the Victorian and modern age; Renaissance and twentieth century drama
- A substantial study of two novels post and pre-2000 (Coursework investigation)
- Extracts from works by Hardy, Wilde, Chopin and Conrad for the unseen exam component
A LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE
This course links the skills of both English Language and English Literature study appealing to students who have enjoyed both aspects at GCSE. This course involves:
- Exploring how ‘voice’ is crafted in both speech and writing
- Studying drama text and short literary, non-literary and digital texts
- Exploring ways in which writers use language techniques and literary devices
- Developing skills as a writer by producing fiction and non-fiction text in response to a topic area

A LEVEL GEOGRAPHY
Find out how and why the world we live in is changing. You will develop a balanced understanding of both physical & human environments, studying a ‘People-Environment’ approach to Geography & an ‘Enquiry’ approach to learning. This course involves:
- Dynamic Landscapes – ‘Tectonic Processes & Hazards’ and ‘Coastal Landscape & Change’
- Dynamic Places – ‘Globalisation’ and ‘Regenerating Places’
- Human Systems & Geopolitics: ‘Superpowers’ and ‘Migration, Identity & Sovereignty’
- Coursework: A 4000-word ‘Independent Investigation’ report, based on 4 days fieldwork, utilising both quantitative and qualitative data relating to a particular coastal, river, urban or rural environment/location for example.

A LEVEL FILM STUDIES
An introduction to a wide variety of films to broaden your knowledge and understanding. It will appeal to those who are not only interested in watching films, but also in analysing them. This course involves:
- Learning about the film industry and developing your own film-related skills
- Studying documentaries, film from the Silent Era, experimental film and short film
- Film practices from a historical, national and global context
- Film as an ‘art’ form
- Theories of film consumption and production

BTEC HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE
Extended Certificate – Equivalent to 1 A Level Diploma – Equivalent to 2 A Levels
A excellent choice for a career in Health, Social Care, Community Justice or Early Years sectors. Topics are assessed by both exams and coursework. You will also take part in a work experience placement. You will study:
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- Principles of Safe Practice in Health and Social Care
- Promoting Public Health
- Perspectives
- Psychological Perspectives
- Health Psychology
- Assessing Children’s Development Support Needs
- Nutritional Health
**A LEVEL HISTORY**
A very versatile subject, developing skills that are highly sought after in all careers such as research skills, analysis, critical thinking. History is not just an account of the past but an investigation of why things happened the way they did. If you have an enquiring mind and enjoy argument this is the subject for you! You will study:
- Britain 1930-1997, Enquiry Topic – Churchill 1930-1951
- Italian Unification 1789-1896
- Civil rights in the USA 1865-1992
- The causes of the Vietnam War 1945-1965 (4,500-word essay)

**BTEC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**
Extended Certificate - Equivalent to 1 A Level
A two-year course leading to a qualification the equivalent of one A Level. The vocational nature of this course means that there is emphasis on developing practical skills in key areas of IT/Computing. This course involves:
- Information technology systems
- Creating systems to manage information
- Using social media in business
- Data Modelling
This course is assessed by coursework (47%) and exams (53%).

**A LEVEL LAW**
Explore the relationship between Law, Society and the individual studying both the theory and application of Criminal Law. You will become an independent learner developing analytical, problem solving and communication skills. This course involves:
- The English legal system
- The role that legal personnel and lay people have in the law
- The theory and application of criminal law
- Tort law
- The law of contract

**A LEVEL MATHEMATICS**
A Level Mathematics prepares you for further study in a wide range of disciplines involving the use of Maths. This is a highly regarded A Level which will impress any future employer. This course involves:
- Building on what you learnt at GCSE level (number, algebra, graphs, trigonometry)
- An introduction to calculus and its applications
- How mathematical ideas are interconnected
- Making sense of data to understand the physical world
- Problem solving in a variety of contexts

**A LEVEL FURTHER MATHEMATICS**
If you get grade 7 or above in GCSE Maths, you should seriously consider studying Further Maths. It is designed for students with an enthusiasm for Maths. Further Maths is very beneficial if you are considering a Maths or Engineering based degree and also if you are applying to a competitive university. This course involves:
- Building on algebra and calculus introduced in A Level Maths
- An introduction to complex numbers and matrices
- Fundamental mathematical ideas with wide applications in Mathematics, Engineering, Physical Sciences and Computing.

**A LEVEL STATISTICS**
A Level Statistics is not only an application of Mathematics but is a growing field of study in its own right. Statistics is now used so widely that many employers would see a qualification in Statistics as a huge advantage. This course involves:
- Building on the statistics and probability components of GCSE Maths
- Making sense of data trends and solve statistical problems
- Data analysis, probability, data distributions and hypothesis testing
- Preparation for further study/employment which uses statistical analysis and reasoning
A LEVEL SPANISH
You will continue to develop the skills acquired at GCSE, practising listening, reading, writing and speaking in Spanish at a higher level. You will study a range of interesting topics focusing on the culture of Spain and Latin America. This course involves:
- Studying topics covering different aspects of Spanish society and culture
- Analysing text and films as part of the written exam
- A research project on an aspect of Hispanic culture to discuss in the speaking exam
- Weekly conversation classes

A LEVEL FRENCH
This highly respected course will allow you to continue building on the skills and knowledge acquired at GCSE. You will benefit from fantastic language facilities and support from our friendly, native speakers. This course involves:
- Studying different aspects of French society and culture
- Analysing text and films as part of the written exam
- Carrying out a research project to discuss in the speaking exam
- Attending weekly conversation classes

A LEVEL MEDIA STUDIES
An interesting course that will inform, enliven and illuminate! You will enhance your understanding and appreciation of the media and its role in your daily life. This course involves:
- The role of the media both historically and currently in society, culture, politics and the economy
- The changing relationships between media forms, products, media industries and audiences
- Applying theory and subject specific terminology to analyse and compare media products
- Creating your own practical media productions in print/e-media/audio visual forms

BTEC PERFORMING ARTS (THEATRE)
Extended Certificate – Equivalent to 1 A Level
Develop performance, creative and communication skills through extensive practical work. You will deepen theoretical knowledge of drama through the ages to contemporary theatre. This course involves:
- Investigating the work of practitioners
- Developing skills and techniques for live performance
- Group Performance workshops
- Acting Styles
A LEVEL PHILOSOPHY, ETHICS & RELIGION
Explore key ideas, concepts, themes and practices whilst developing the ability to think critically and creatively. Learn how to conduct effective research and develop skills in analysis and argument. This course involves:

Philosophy of Religion - Ancient Greek philosophers, Plato and Aristotle, arguments for the existence of God, challenges to religious belief, and claims to religious experience

Ethics - moral decision-making, the nature of ethical language, and applied issues including euthanasia and business ethics

Buddhism - religious figures and sacred texts, religious concepts and religious life, social and historical developments in religious thought, and religious practices/identity

A LEVEL PSYCHOLOGY
Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and is primarily concerned with investigating what people do and why. It develops skills valued by universities and employers, including critical analysis, independent thinking and research. You will study:

- Social Influence
- Memory
- Attachment
- Research Methods
- Issues & Debates
- Approaches to Psychology
- Biopsychology
- Abnormal Psychology (Phobias, Depression and CD)
- Additional Options (Cognition and Development, Schizophrenia and Forensic Psychology)

A LEVEL POLITICS
Politics is one of the most interesting and engaging qualifications you can choose. It is lively, relevant and controversial, covering news and current affairs from the UK and the US. You will develop research, written communication and debate skills. This course involves:

- Politics of the UK and the USA
- Comparative politics and political ideas
- Opportunities for trips, competitions and talks

BTEC PSYCHOLOGY
Extended Certificate – Equivalent to 1 A Level
Psychology is the scientific study of the human mind and behavior. You will learn how Psychology is used to explain aggressive behaviours and gender differences. This course involves:

- Psychological Approaches and Applications
- Conducting Psychological Research
- Health Psychology
- Optional Module – An introduction to Psychopathology

Assessment is 60% examinations, 40% coursework
BTEC APPLIED SCIENCE
Extended Certificate – Equivalent to 1 A Level
Diploma – Equivalent to 2 A Levels
This practical science course leads to nationally recognised qualifications. You can choose either the National Extended Certificate equal to 1 A Level or the National Diploma equal to 2 A Levels. It covers all three sciences of Biology, Physics and Chemistry but in an ‘applied’ context. This course involves:
- Principles and Applications of Science
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques
- Science Investigation Skills
- Physiology of Human Body Systems
Assessment is through a combination of internally assessed assignments and external examinations.

A LEVEL BIOLOGY
Learn about a wide variety of fundamental biological principles from cellular biology, biochemistry and genetics to big concepts including energy transfers through ecosystems, nervous communication and other systems in our bodies. This course involves:
YEAR 1
- Biological molecules
- Cells including structures, function and processes
- Mammalian transport, exchange and digestion
- Natural selection and impact
YEAR 2
- Nervous communication and muscles
- Homeostatic control of blood glucose and water potential
- Energy systems including photosynthesis and respiration
- Inheritance of genetics
- Modern DNA technologies
Their applications in modern scientific research are emphasised.

BTEC APPLIED HUMAN BIOLOGY
Extended Certificate – Equivalent to 1 A Level
This nationally recognised qualification is equivalent to 1 A Level. You will learn how to carry out your own investigations using a variety of tests and techniques and develop skills useful for further education and the workplace. This course involves:
- Principles of Applied Human Biology
- Practical Microbiology and Infectious Diseases
- Human Biology and Health Issues
- Functional Physiology
You will complete a range of written reports, projects, practical assessments and presentations.

A LEVEL CHEMISTRY
Join a highly successful department with committed tutors to help you achieve the highest grade possible. You will take part in regular practical sessions help to develop your lab techniques and evaluative skills. You will study:
- Inorganic and Physical Chemistry - how to calculate the PH of solutions and how storage and fuel cells work
- Organic Chemistry - how to synthesise organic modules and the study of their functional groups and how they react
- Analytical Chemistry - how chemists use infra-red spectroscopy to work out what functional groups are in the molecules

“TEACHERS MONITOR STUDENTS’ PROGRESS METICULOUSLY AND KNOW THEIR INDIVIDUAL STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES.”
OFSTED 2019
**A LEVEL PHYSICS**

Appreciate the workings of the Universe through studying the smallest to the largest phenomena. Aim for top grades through our Physics High Achievers+ Programme. You will have the opportunity to build model telescopes, engines, bridges, rockets and robotic arms in our ‘Tomorrow’s Engineers’ Programme. This course involves:

- Measurements and their errors
- Particle Physics
- Quantum Physics
- Waves
- Mechanics and materials
- Electricity
- Further mechanics and thermal physics
- Magnetic Fields
- Electric Fields
- Gravitational Fields
- Nuclear physics
- Astrophysics

**BTEC SPORT**

Extended Certificate – Equivalent to 1 A Level
Diploma – Equivalent to 2 A Levels

A vocational course providing you with an in-depth knowledge and understanding of sport. You can choose either the Extended Certificate (equivalent to one A Level) or the Diploma (equivalent to two A Levels). This course involves:

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Fitness Training & Programming for Health, Sport & Well-being
- Professional Development in the Sports Industry
- Application of Fitness Testing

For the Diploma (all of the above plus):

- Sports Leadership
- Skill Acquisition in Sport
- Investigating Business in Sport and the Active Leisure Industry
- Practical Sport Performance
- Sport Injury Management
- Technical and Tactical Demands of Sport

(You will be practically assessed in two sports and you will need to participate regularly in competitive sport).

**A LEVEL PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

Develop knowledge of scientific, socio-cultural and practical aspects of PE. You will develop an understanding of the physiological/psychological states that affect performance and take part in practical workshops, gaining insights from industry experts. This course involves:

- Anatomy and Physiology – Exercise physiology / biomechanics in sport
- Sports Psychology – How performers learn skills in sport / mental preparation for sport
- Socio-cultural Studies – Values in sport / ethical issues related to drugs use and violence
- Performance - Practical assessment of your skills as a performer or coach / EAPI

Regular involvement in competitive sport is required to study A Level PE for one sport on the prescribed content list found on our website.

**A LEVEL SOCIOLOGY**

Explore key ideas, concepts, themes and practices. Are you interested in contemporary, modern Britain? Do you want to acquire knowledge and a critical understanding of the social world in which you live? This subject will broaden your understanding of the social and political world around you. You will study:

- Modules introducing socialisation, culture and identity (with a particular focus on youth subcultures)
- Research methods and social inequalities
- Globalisation and the digital world (with a particular focus on crime and deviance)

You will develop the necessary skills to enable you to assess different views and reach conclusions about society, based on a careful consideration of evidence.

“HIGHLY COMMITTED, SKILLED AND ENTHUSIASTIC TEACHERS INSPIRE AND MOTIVATE STUDENTS TO ACHIEVE THEIR VERY BEST.”

OFSTED 2019
WHAT ARE T-LEVEL QUALIFICATIONS?
• Post-16, two-year course, equivalent to 3 A Levels
• Includes 45 day ‘on-the-job’ industry placement
• Developed in collaboration with employers and businesses so that the content meets the needs of industry and prepares students for the world of work, further training or study.
You will spend 80% of your time learning in the classroom and 20% on placement to develop the skills and knowledge employers are looking for.

MORE ABOUT INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS
Every T-Level includes an industry placement with an employer focused on developing the practical and technical skills required for the occupation. These will last a minimum of 315 hours (approximately 45 days) but can last longer. Employers can offer industry placements as a block, day release or a mix of these.

HOW ARE T-LEVELS ASSESSED?
Each course will be assessed differently depending on the key skills and behaviours you will need to develop for your chosen career path and could include the following:
• Written examinations
• Assignments
• Practical skills tests
• Employer-set practical project
• Group work
• Portfolios

HOW ARE T-LEVELS GRADED?
On completion, you can achieve an overall grade of Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction* with a separate grade for the core component, using A*–E.
Your T-Level certificate will also include:
• a separate grade for the occupational specialism, shown as Pass, Merit or Distinction
• grades for Maths and English qualifications (if required)
• completion of industry placement
Learners who do not pass all elements of their T-Level will get a T-Level statement of achievement which will show the elements they have completed.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH A T-LEVEL QUALIFICATION?
T-Level qualifications will support students onto a range of progression routes including employment, higher and degree level apprenticeships, higher education or higher level technical qualification.

HEALTHCARE SCIENCE
You will develop a general understanding of health and science:
• working within the health and science sector
• health, safety and environmental regulations
• managing information and data
• principles of good scientific and clinical practice
• core science concepts including the structure of cells, tissues and large molecules, genetics, microbiology and immunology

Progression routes
You could progress to higher education, an apprenticeship or employment starting in an entry level role in the healthcare science sector or a job as a Healthcare Science Assistant.

MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION
What will I learn on this course?
• Organisational cultures and values
• Types of stakeholder
• Organisations’ impact on society and the environment
• Project and change management
• Quality and compliance in all aspects of public and private sector organisations

Progression routes
You could progress to higher education, employment or an apprenticeship, such as the Business Administrator Apprenticeship. The skills that students will acquire will transfer into any industry sector.

FOR SEPTEMBER 2023, WE WILL OFFER THE FOLLOWING T-LEVELS

LEARN MORE AT WWW.TLEVELS.GOV.UK
WELL-PLANNED AND WELL-MANAGED INDIVIDUAL TRANSITION ARRANGEMENTS ENSURE THAT STUDENTS SETTLE IN VERY QUICKLY TO COLLEGE LIFE.

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ENTRY LEVEL / LEVEL ONE

Small opportunities are often the beginning of great achievements.

ENTRY LEVEL FOUNDATION LEARNING

The course is suitable for students with moderate learning difficulties who are working at Entry Level 1 through to Entry 3. Personalised learning programmes cover three main areas:

Employability Skills: Develops life skills and skills around the world of work.

Personal and Social Development: Develops skills and knowledge around personal and social needs, for example Healthy Living, Travel Training and Social Awareness.

Functional Skills: The curriculum is designed to embed the necessary level of English and Maths skills. They are a key component of the Foundation Learning Entry Level programme.

LEVEL ONE FOUNDATION LEARNING

The course is a personalised learning programme that covers the following areas:

Vocational Studies: Explores attitudes and behaviours needed to be effective in the work place. Linked to this area will be a work experience programme.

Work Experience: This will enable learners to undertake a realistic placement with local employers.

Functional Skills: The curriculum is designed to embed the necessary level of English and Maths skills needed in today’s society and workplace.

Personal and Social Development: Develops skills and knowledge around personal and social needs, for example Healthy Living, Target Setting and Social Awareness.

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LOOKING FOR DEGREE STUDY?

DEGREE COURSES ON OFFER

Providing quality degree courses for over 25 years

Small class sizes

Prestigious university partners

Support from a Personal Tutor

University of Liverpool
- Biological Sciences*
- Chemical Sciences*
- Computer Sciences*
- Dental Therapy*
- Earth Sciences*
- Engineering*
- Geography*
- Mathematical Sciences*
- Medicine, Dentistry & Veterinary Science**
- Physical Sciences*
- Nursing & Allied Health Professions*

Liverpool Hope University
- Evening Delivery
- BSc (Hons) Physical Education & Sports Science***
- Education/Early Childhood/Special Educational Needs***

University of the Arts London
- (One year specialist art course)
- UAL Foundation Art Diploma

* Four Year Programme (Foundation Year delivered at Carmel College)
** Six Year Programme (Foundation Year delivered at Carmel College)
*** Evening Degree Course

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We hope this prospectus has given you a flavour of what Carmel has to offer. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us, or come to one of our Open Events and see for yourself what makes Carmel such an outstanding college.

**OPEN EVENTS**

Come along and see our fantastic facilities.

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