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**ADULT COURSE
GUIDE 2023-24**

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ADULT LEARNING ACROSS THE BOROUGH

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With a wider choice of courses, flexible delivery options, venues across the borough and funded places on offer, there's never been a better time to take up lifelong learning in Wigan.

Once again the college has joined forces with Wigan Borough Council to put together a varied learning programme designed to support adults in the Borough.

"I am delighted we are working together to offer residents across the borough the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge through Adult Education. This will enable as many people as possible to gain access to vital skills and learning opportunities." No matter what your background, or where you start out on your journey, there is a pathway for you to progress with your learning and achieve your goals and ambitions."

*Councillor Dane Anderton
Chair of Adult Learning Advisory Board*

"We have high ambitions for our borough and residents. Together, we have designed an Adult Learning offer that aims to support you to grow in confidence, gain vital skills and achieve your aspirations."

*Anna Dawe, Principal
Wigan & Leigh College*

More than 3,500 adults join us each year to change their lives through learning and as the cost of living crisis continues, you will be pleased to hear that the

majority of you can study for free. If you want to gain the skills to fulfil a lifelong ambition, secure a promotion or change your career, what are you waiting for?

There are also courses for those who want to learn a skill in their spare time and meet new friends along the way.

Whatever the reason, you will receive the very best support and advice from our experts here at Adult College.

Courses include:

- Essential skills including maths, English and IT.
- Qualifications to help you improve your job prospects or boost your career.
- Taster courses to get you back into learning.

You can access courses at community venues, or at college centres, however some are offered online, which means you may complete courses from the comfort of your own home.

There may also be an online learning element, at specific times, for some higher level courses. This will be explained to you at the beginning of your course if applicable.

Come along to one of our advice events where you can meet our teams of experienced and qualified staff.

We can provide you with careers advice and guidance to help you choose the right course.

4.30pm - 7.00pm

Centre for Advanced Technical Studies

New Market Street, Wigan WN1 1RP

Thursday 29 June

Thursday 17 August

Tuesday 5 September

Leigh Adult Learning Centre

Walmesley Road, Leigh WN7 1XL

Wednesday 28 June

Wednesday 6 September



WHY CHOOSE US?

Chances are you are considering studying for a second time and if you have got as far as reading this guide, then you are in a great place to take those first few steps back into learning.

There are real benefits to returning to learn with us. You are mature and motivated and probably have your own personal reasons for getting back to the classroom.

Whether you are looking for a career change and want to retrain for something completely different, want to progress your current career with higher level study, or perhaps with the kids at school you want to do something new for yourself.

Whatever your motivation, you are in safe hands with us.

We have welcomed adult learners back to study for many years and know that your needs differ from our school leavers. We are here to advise and support you to make your learning experience really work for you.

Joining our adult learning community comes with lots of benefits.

- Our tutors, who are all industry professionals, can offer you networking opportunities and advice on how to succeed in your chosen sector.
- Many classes are dedicated to teaching adults only, so you will be learning with like-minded people, where you can share a range of experiences of work and study and make new friends along the way.
- You will have access to financial support, from our adult bursary offer, to free classes for many of our adult learners.
- You will learn in industry standard spaces and with equipment or tools used by professionals. Depending on your subject area - this might be scientific laboratories, construction workshops, hair and beauty salons, restaurant and kitchens, or computing suites with the latest tech resources.

“ Because the course was in the evening, it made work and family life more manageable. I was able to apply for higher level jobs and the course opens doors to more career opportunities. ”

Jade Cartwright , CIPD Level 5

“ I had already set up a direct debit to pay for the course - little did I know that the college was looking into funding for me. It was a lovely surprise to find out that funding was available. ”

Nina Russell, Counselling Level 3

“ Without this course I wouldn't have had the confidence or knowledge to be able to pursue my passion. From the start of this course I felt completely supported and over the two years of studying I have improved my confidence and academic abilities. ”

Laura Davies, Access to Higher Education Diploma in Health

WIGAN ADULT LEARNING AND SKILLS

With Wigan Adult Learning and Skills it's never too late to think about your future.

Wigan Adult Learning and Skills is part of Wigan Council, offering bespoke opportunities for those who want to return to learning or update their qualifications.

We understand that as adult learners you have other commitments, such as family and employment, so we are here to support you along your learning journey. We will work together to ensure you succeed and achieve your goals.



LEARNING LOCATIONS AND VENUES

Our main Learning Hub is at Wigan Life Centre North, in the centre of town. For many adults, accessing learning closer to home is a priority, that's why we also offer our courses in community venues and Start Well Centres across the borough, in Atherton, Leigh, Hindley, Ince and Platt Bridge.



LEARNING TIMES AND DATES

We offer starting points all year round, not only at the start of the academic year in September, so you can apply any time. Depending on the course you choose, you may study a few days over a few weeks, or once a week over a longer time frame.



WHAT YOU CAN LEARN

English and Maths are essential skills to secure a new job, move on to a further education course, or even to help your child at home with their school work.

We offer nationally recognised Functional Skills qualifications up to Level 2 (this is the level most employers and colleges require and is the same skills level as GCSE A-C grade).

English and Maths courses are tailored to your level - at a pace, venue and time to suit you and your family, and are always free.

Our BTEC Level 1 Awards are aimed at learners who wish to achieve a Level 1 qualification in preparation for future study. The courses allow you to focus on the development of transferable and sector-related skills. We can also offer direct links to teams who can support you with future employment opportunities.

FREE Digital and ICT courses are designed to meet everyone's needs and skills level.

From basic IT & Digital Skills to fully accredited Level 1 Functional Skills or Digital ICT courses, there is something for everyone.

If your skills are at an intermediate level, we offer the Essential Digital Skills Qualifications (EDSQ) at Entry Level 3 and Level 1. Please contact us for further information.

Teaching Assistant

We offer a Level 2 Teaching Assistant qualification, with entry points in September or January.

Due to our strong links with recruitment agencies, you will be **guaranteed** interviews when you're ready to apply for jobs at the end of your course. Many learners have secured permanent roles in local schools.

Level 2 Supporting Teaching and Learning in Schools

Contact us: Call **01942 489758** or **01942 489714** or email **adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk**



Level	Course	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	19+ Fee	Location	What Next?
	Essential Digital Skills Qualification (EDSQ)	18/09/2023	Mon	10.00 - 12.15	18 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		21/09/2023	Thur					
		19/09/2023	Tue	12.30 - 15.00			Family Welfare Centre, Leigh	
		20/09/2023	Wed				Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	
	Fast Track Maths	21/09/2023	Thur	10.00 - 13.00	37 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 2	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Entry Level	Functional Skills English	19/09/2023	Tue	12.45 - 15.00	37 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 3	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		22/09/2023	Fri	10.00 - 12.15	36 Weeks			
Entry Level	Functional Skills Maths	20/09/2023	Wed	12.45 - 15.00	37 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 2	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Mixed Level	Functional Skills English	20/09/2023	Wed	9.30 - 12 noon	37 Weeks	FREE	Family Welfare Centre, Leigh	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		21/09/2023	Thur				Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	
Mixed Level	Functional Skills Maths	19/09/2023	Tue	9.30 - 12 noon	37 Weeks	FREE	Family Welfare Centre, Leigh	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		20/09/2023	Wed				Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	
Entry Level 3 / Level 1	Functional Skills English	19/09/2023	Tue	10.00 - 12.15	37 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 3	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 1	Functional Skills English	18/09/2023	Mon	10.00 - 12 noon	36 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 3	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 1	BTEC Health & Social Care	18/09/2023	Mon	10.00 - 12.15	18 Weeks	*FREE for eligible learners	Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		21/09/2023	Thur	9.30 - 11.30			Family Welfare Centre, Leigh	
		22/09/2023	Fri				Wigan Life Centre North	
Level 1	BTEC Caring for Children	20/09/2023	Wed	9.30 - 11.30	18 Weeks	*FREE for eligible learners	Family Welfare Centre, Leigh	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
				12.30 - 14.30			Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	
		21/09/2023	Thur	12.45 - 15.00			Wigan Life Centre North	
Level 1	BTEC Business Studies	18/09/2023	Mon	10.00 - 12 noon	18 Weeks	*FREE for eligible learners	Wigan Life Centre North	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		19/09/2023	Tue	9.30 - 11.30			Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	
				12.30 - 14.30			Family Welfare Centre, Leigh	
Level 1 & Level 2	Functional Skills English	19/09/2023	Tue	17.30 - 19.30	37 Weeks	FREE	Remote/Online	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 1 & Level 2	Functional Skills English	18/09/2023	Mon	12.45 - 15.00	36 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 3	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 1 & Level 2	Functional Skills Maths	19/09/2023	Tue	10.00 - 12.15 or 12.45 - 15.00	37 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 2	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 1 & Level 2	Functional Skills Maths	20/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 20.00	37 Weeks	FREE	Remote/Online	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 2	Functional Skills English	21/09/2023	Thur	13.00 - 16.00	37 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 3 (Fast Track)	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 2	Functional Skills Maths	20/09/2023	Wed	10.00 - 12.15	37 Weeks	FREE	Wigan Life Centre North - Learning Zone 2	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
Level 2	Certificate Supporting Teaching and Learning	20/09/2023	Wed	10.00 - 13.00	37 Weeks	*FREE for eligible learners	Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		21/09/2023	Thur	9.30 - 12 noon			Wigan Life Centre North	
Level 2	Certificate Supporting Teaching and Learning	20/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	37 Weeks	*FREE for eligible learners	Online Class	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk



Fee waivers, Advanced Learner Loans and Higher Education Student Loans may be available, depending on your circumstances and the course you have chosen to study.

Many students study for free. If you are unsure whether this applies to you see page 36 or give us a call. You will find Free for Eligible Learners column in our course tables.

Fees are paid annually for courses longer than one year. Fees in this guide are for the full duration of the course, unless otherwise stated. Many courses are subsidised and we are able to reflect this in our competitive prices.

Please note, as this guide is printed in advance of course starting dates, fees may be subject to change.

HOW DO I PAY FOR MY COURSE?

Course fees should be paid at enrolment by cash or card. We accept all major credit/debit cards, including Mastercard, Visa, Switch and Delta.

Flexible payments can be arranged by Standing Order. A minimum £25.00 a month is payable for courses of £100 or more. (You should bring your bank account details if you would like to use this option.)

If your employer is paying your course fees, you must bring a letter of authorisation from them to enrolment. We will then issue an invoice to them directly for payment.

ADVANCED LEARNER LOAN

Start your loan application during the enrolment process and bring along a current passport, if you have one, as well as your National Insurance Number. See page 36 for more information on Advanced Learner Loans.

ADULT LEARNER SUPPORT FUNDING*

If you are worried about other costs involved with continuing your education, we can help.

If you need help with college or course related expenses, such as travel, trips or uniform, you can access a number of different funds. Learner Support Funding is for adults developing their careers through continued education. We can provide practical help to meet expenses directly associated with learning.

Further information about each of these funds can be found on the college website under Services for Students. Funds are open throughout the academic year, so if your circumstances change during your studies, there is support available.

- **19+ Learner Support Fund**
- **Advanced Learner Loan Bursary - only for applicants in receipt of Advanced Learner Loan**
- **Childcare funding**
- **Access to Learning (Higher Education)**
- **Hindley and Abram Grammar School Trust fund - for 16-24-year-olds living in a WN postcode area.**

Reception teams at each college centre can help you to access this information and support.

* Terms and conditions and eligibility criteria apply to all of the above.





DO YOU STRUGGLE TO KEEP UP IN THE DIGITAL WORLD?

If you are finding everyday online tasks difficult, then try a new **FREE** short course to develop your skills.

Learn how to log on, communicate, shop and access services online. Gain the skills to access the internet using a smartphone, tablet or computer to perform everyday tasks while keeping safe online.

Classes are held on a variety of days and times, so there will be one to suit you.

For more information, call us on:

01942 761111

or visit one of our advice events.



JOB SEEKING ONLINE - BASICS



Are you actively seeking work but struggling with the technology to help you with your search?

Our Job Seeking Online course may be just what you need.

BASICS - this one-day programme starts with switching on a computer, through to using a mouse, password management, setting up an email account and accessing the benefits system including universal credit.

INTERMEDIATE - this two-day programme covers opening and saving documents, attaching documents to emails, managing and saving forms, building your CV, navigating job sites and applying for jobs online.

For more information and to book your place, ring:
01942 761800



STEP INTO YOUR FUTURE CAREER



INTERESTED IN TRAINING FOR A NEW AND REWARDING CAREER?

We have teamed up with some brilliant employers from across the borough, to design new STEP INTO training programmes.

These programmes will get you started on a new career path, improve your CV, develop your work-ready skills and help you succeed at interviews. No previous qualifications or experience required.

Join us and you will gain valuable skills and qualifications and take part in a work placement in your chosen career area. At the end of your programme you will be offered a guaranteed interview for a job.

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE?

Call us on 01942 761111 or come along to our advice days (see back page for dates) to talk to our team and sign up. This could be your next STEP INTO your exciting future career.

STEP INTO RESIDENTIAL CHILDREN'S CARE

This programme starts in October 2023 and March 2024 and runs for 12 weeks, including a 6-week placement with one of Wigan Borough's Children's services providers.

You will gain essential qualifications, knowledge and skills to get you started on this highly rewarding career pathway.

Join a dedicated workforce who make a difference every day to the lives of children and young people in care.

STEP INTO HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

This programme starts in September 2023 and February 2024 and runs for 8 weeks, including a 4-week flexible placement with one of Wigan Borough Council's ethical care provider partners.

You will gain valuable qualifications and skills to get you started in this highly rewarding career.

If you have ever thought about working in Health and Social Care, this is your opportunity to find out whether it is for you.

STEP INTO TEACHING ASSISTANT

This programme starts in November 2023 and April 2024 and runs for just 9 weeks.

A placement at one of our partner schools is included, giving you the vital experience required to work in education. You can progress from this programme straight into a rewarding career in education.

Many of our teaching assistants have progressed to advanced level 3 and then to higher level, some have successfully progressed into teaching, or specialist teaching support areas, such as special needs education.

STEP INTO OFFICE WORK

This programme starts in January 2024 and runs for 12 weeks, including a 2-week flexible placement.

You will gain essential office skills such as ICT and communication and undertake a valuable placement with a local employer to support your job applications and improve your CV.

STEP INTO FOOD PRODUCTION

This programme starts in November 2023 and runs for 10 weeks, including a work placement with one of our local food manufacturers.

You will gain valuable skills and qualifications such as Food Safety, manual handling and teamwork.

A work placement will lead to a guaranteed interview for a real job in food production.

OUR PARTNERS



BRAND NEW CARING CAREER ON THE CARDS FOR ALAN

After taking voluntary redundancy, 59-year-old former factory worker Alan Ashworth decided to change career direction, but wasn't sure how and decided to take up a place on an adult retraining programme.

The short course included a work placement and the guarantee of an interview for a role at PCS (Personal Care Services) Ltd - a domiciliary and palliative care provider based in West Lancashire.

"My tutors were really supportive and enthusiastic," said Alan. "They were very approachable, which meant I could really open up with them."

Alan is now a full-time care worker with PCS.

"I find it very rewarding and haven't looked back. The training is very good and I got to work - shadow first, which was brilliant," Alan added.

"I wasn't sure whether this new career would be for me but I have taken to it really well."



We are offering a range of **FREE** fully funded Level 3 qualifications to help adults develop skills that are in demand in the workplace to open up further job opportunities.

If you are aged 19 or over you may be able to access one of these courses for **FREE** which will help you to boost your career prospects.

AAT Level 3 Diploma	Electrical & Electronic Engineering BTEC National Extended Diploma
Acsentis Education and Training Level 3 Award (formerly PTLLS)	Electrical Installation Advanced Technical Diploma
Adult Care CACHE Level 3 Diploma	Electrical Installation 18th Edition Wiring Regulations BS767:2018
Advanced Professional Cookery Technical Diploma	Engineering City & Guilds Diploma
Animal Management Advanced Technical Diploma	Health & Social Care BTEC National Extended Diploma
Applied Science BTEC National Extended Diploma	Hospitality, Supervisory and Leadership Diploma
Brickwork NVQ Level 3	Information Technology & Digital BTEC National Extended Diploma
Business BTEC Extended Diploma	Light Vehicle Maintenance & Repair City & Guilds Diploma
Carpentry & Joinery Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma	Mechanical Engineering BTEC National Extended Diploma
Childcare & Education CACHE Technical Certificate	Pâtisserie and Confectionery Diploma
CIPD (Human Resources Management) Level 3 Foundation Certificate in People Practice	Professional Cookery City & Guilds Diploma
Creative Media Practice BTEC National Extended Diploma	Residential Childcare Level 3 Diploma
Counselling Skills Diploma	Teaching Assistants Cache Level 3 Diploma in Supporting Teaching & Learning

Look out for the **19+** icon throughout this Guide all the courses for adults only.

Many of these courses will be held in groups that do not include school leavers, so that we can tailor classes to suit those who are returning to learning specifically to boost their job prospects. You will also have access to a personal tutor.

These courses also provide an excellent opportunity for businesses to equip employees with invaluable **skills and knowledge to support recovery plans, as well as boost morale through investment in professional development.**

ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION (HE) DIPLOMA



Do you dream of going to university but don't have the entry qualifications? An Access to HE Diploma could be just what you need.

Courses are a route to higher education for adults aged 19 and over, who may not have the traditional entry requirements, such as A Levels or Level 3 vocational. If you are committed to setting aside time to achieve the right level of academic development to progress to university, this may be the option for you.

Access to HE Diploma programmes are recognised by universities across the UK. Students may progress to a range of degrees including: nursing; midwifery; social sciences; paramedic; social work and health sciences.

Our students are offered places at top universities including:

- **Edge Hill University**
- **University of Manchester**
- **University of York**
- **Lancaster University**
- **University of Bristol**
- **University of Nottingham**
- **University of Leeds.**

You are advised to check the individual entry requirements with your chosen university.

PAYING FOR YOUR ACCESS TO HE DIPLOMA

Many students do not have to pay the full course fees as funding, fee remission and loans are available, depending on your circumstances.

If you are aged 19-23 and do not currently have a full Level 3 qualification, then the course may be free.

If you do have a full Level 3 qualification then you can apply for the Advanced Learner Loan.

This does not have to be paid back if you go to university and successfully complete your chosen degree.

For more details on the Advanced Learner Loan see page 36



Access to HE Diploma
Criminology and Psychology



Access to HE Diploma
Education



Access to HE Diploma
Health



Access to HE Diploma
Social Work



Access to HE Diploma
Science (Biomedical & Physical Science Pathways available)

What next? Apply Now



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location
3	19+ Access to Higher Education Diploma - Health (Full-time)	11570WO	11/09/2023	Mon/Tue/Wed	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£3,384.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan
3	19+ Access to Higher Education Diploma - Health (Full-time)	19020LO	12/09/2023	Tue/Wed/Thur	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£3,384.00	✓	Leigh College
3	19+ Access to Higher Education Diploma - Health (Part-time evening)	11569WI	12/09/2023	Tue/Thur	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£3,384.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan
3	19+ Access to Higher Education Diploma - Science (Biomedical / Physical Science Pathways Available)	11003LO	11/09/2023	Mon/Wed/Thur	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£3,384.00	✓	Leigh College
3	19+ Access to Higher Education Diploma - Psychology and Criminology	23058WO	13/09/2023	Wed/Thur/Fri	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£3,022.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan
3	19+ Access to Higher Education Diploma - Social Work	28011WO	13/09/2023	Wed/Thur/Fri	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£3,384.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan

ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION SOCIAL WORK

Our Access to Higher Education Social Work is in partnership with Edge Hill University and Wigan Council.

You will be guaranteed an interview with Edge Hill University for a place on their degree programme.



Edge Hill University



Fees are paid annually for courses lasting more than one year. Fees in this guide are for the first year of the course, unless marked *

ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION (HE) DIPLOMA



OPHTHALMOLOGY CAREER FOR FORMER CLEANER

Former Access to Higher Education (HE) student Emily Ince has started her dream career as an Ophthalmic Science Practitioner at Manchester Royal Eye Hospital.



The 31-year-old mother of one has always wanted a career in ophthalmology, since undergoing regular treatment for her own eye condition as a child.

Emily, from Lowton, returned to learning at Leigh College at the age of 27 to study the Access to Higher Education (HE) Science course, followed by the HND in Applied Biology, achieving a Distinction. She then went on to a top-up year at UCLan to complete the full degree.

After leaving school Emily worked in retail jobs and as a cleaner, but she always wanted a career specialising in eye health.

"I waited until my little girl was at school to take up the Access to HE Science course. It fitted in really well with school hours and my cleaning shifts," said Emily.

Having struggled with anxiety issues as a student, Emily was delighted with the support during her time at Leigh College.

"The tutors were always there to help, as were other staff, such as chaplaincy and head of studies," she said. *"I had access to counselling services and even had a classroom to myself on days when my anxiety was particularly bad."*

In her current role, Emily is responsible for taking images of the eyes to diagnose a range of conditions.

Emily is planning to take up a Masters and a PhD to follow a progression route in ophthalmology within the NHS.



PARAMEDIC IN THE MAKING THANKS TO ACCESS TO HE

Despite being out of education for a while, Laura Davies decided follow her dream of becoming a paramedic, enrolling on the Access to Higher Education Diploma - Health course.

Laura is now off to Liverpool John Moores University to study Paramedic Science. She has also landed a job with North West Ambulance Service, as a Health Care Assistant.

"Without this course I wouldn't have had the confidence or knowledge to pursue my passion," said Laura. *"From the start of the course I felt completely supported and over the two years my confidence and academic abilities really improved."*



PRE-ACCESS PROGRAMME



Do you want to study the Access to Higher Education (HE) Diploma to progress to University?

Don't quite have the right qualifications to start right away?

Don't worry.....we have a Pre-Access programme designed to prepare you for Access to HE.

The programme is designed around your current qualifications and your level of maths and/or English, tailored to the pathway you wish to progress to.

PRE-ACCESS COURSES:

- GCSE MATHS (free of charge if not achieved *A-C/levels 9-4)
 - GCSE ENGLISH (free of charge if not achieved *A-C/levels 9-4)
 - GCSE BIOLOGY
 - GCSE SCIENCE TRILOGY (equivalent to two GCSEs)
- OR
- FUNCTIONAL SKILLS MATHS FROM LEVEL 1 (FREE of charge)
 - FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ENGLISH FROM LEVEL 1 (FREE of charge)

You can mix and match, for example a GCSE and a Functional Skills course, if that is the right level of study for you at this time.

Interested? Call the admissions team on **01942 761111** or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

STUDY HIGHER EDUCATION LOCALLY AT THE UNIVERSITY

At the University Centre you will benefit from:

- Small class sizes.
- Ability to step on and off study routes from HNC to HND, Foundation degree to Top-up degree.
- Professional skills development for current job roles or retraining for career change.
- Flexible delivery to accommodate work and family commitments.
- Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) accreditation for delivering high quality internationally respected undergraduate engineering degrees.
- Industry experienced tutors with a wealth of knowledge.
- High quality teaching, learning and assessment.
- Lower fees - £7,500 or less for degree study compared with the average £9,000.
- University Centre Advantage scheme - financial support with equipment or activities relating to studies for those paying £7,500 per year or equivalent.

Partnership with the University of Central Lancashire (UCLan)

As a partner college our Foundation Degrees, Top-up Degrees and Teacher Education programmes are approved and awarded by UCLan. This means that you can access the clubs, services and facilities (including library, social venues and the Students' Union) of both institutions.



CAREER PATHWAYS	UNIVERSITY CENTRE COURSES
Applied Science	HNC/HND Applied Sciences (Biology) P
Business	HNC/HND Business P HNC/HND International Travel and Tourism Management P
Childcare & Early Years Education	Foundation Degree (FdA) Children, Young People & their Services U BA (Hons) Education Studies (Top-up) U
Computing & Technology	HNC Computing for England (HTQ) P HND Computing for England (HTQ) P BSc (Hons) Computing (Top-up) U
Construction	HNC/HND Construction Management for England (Construction Design & Build Technician) (HTQ) P HNC/HND Construction Management for England (Site Supervisor) (HTQ) P HNC/HND Quantity Surveying for England (HTQ) P HNC/HND Civil Engineering P
Creative Arts	Foundation Degree FdA Creative Industries - specialist pathways in Graphic Design U BA (Hons) Creative Practitioner (Top-up) U
Engineering	HNC/HND Engineering (Electrical and Electronic) P HNC/HND Engineering (Mechanical) P BEng (Hons) Electrical & Electronic Engineering (Top-up)* U BEng (Hons) Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering (Top-up)* U
Sport & Public Services	HNC/HND Public Services P HNC/HND Sport and Exercise Science P
Teacher Education	Certificate in Education (Cert Ed) (Education & Training) U Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) (Education & Training) U

* This course is accredited by the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) on behalf of the Engineering Council for the purposes of fully meeting the academic requirement for registration as an Incorporated Engineer and partly meeting the academic requirement for registration as a Chartered Engineer.



Tuition Fees are listed pages 13 - 35.

KEY TO COURSES

U - Courses approved and awarded by UCLan



P - Courses awarded by Pearson





Edge Hill University

PART-TIME TEACHING DEGREE COURSE

The University Centre offers a, part-time teaching degree course in partnership with Edge Hill University.

The BA (Hons) Primary Education with QTS is delivered by Edge Hill academics. It is ideal if you are working as a teaching assistant and want to become a primary school teacher.

Gain recommendation for Qualified Teacher Status as you develop the skills, knowledge and professional experience required to inspire children aged 5-11, on a degree that enables you to combine working, or volunteering in a primary school, with academic study.

As the UK faces a national shortage of teaching staff, this new degree is set to increase the number of primary school teachers in the Wigan borough.

You will gain practical experience and develop your own individual teaching personality and personal principles, along with the essential professional skills, knowledge and understanding required for a career in primary teaching.

You will study in a dynamic teaching and learning environment where expert university and school-based colleagues work side-by-side to ensure that you have the best possible initial teacher training experience.

Visit [Edge Hill's website](#) to read more about the course and apply for a place.



SCIENTIFIC CAREER IN SIGHT FOR FORMER PUB MANAGER

Former pub manager Danielle Daws has swapped pulling pints for laboratory testing, after taking up HND Applied Science.

The 36-year-old from Ashton is now looking forward to starting a one-year top-up degree BSc (Hons) Biology at Edge Hill University.

The mum of a six-year-old did not enjoy her time at school and went into pub management soon after leaving, but the arrival of her son led to her decision to return to learning to take up science.

"I was offered my own pub when I fell pregnant with my son, but I didn't like the thought of bringing up a baby in that environment, as well as having to cope with the pressures of the job," said Danielle.

"I had always enjoyed science at school, so decided to go back to learning to follow my dream of a scientific career."

Danielle signed up for GCSE Science and Maths, followed by the Access to Higher Education Diploma in Science, and then HND Applied Science.

The high achiever has secured Distinctions for many of her assignments, and is hoping to continue this through to degree study.

As a single parent, Danielle appreciated the starting time of the HND course, which allowed her to drop her son off at school first, as well as the support she received with her mental health.

"As I suffer with anxiety and depression I found the smaller class sizes suited me, alongside the Additional Learning Support," added Danielle. *"I developed a great relationship with the same set of tutors over a number of years."*

During her time at college, she volunteered to work in the laboratories. She hopes to secure a career in a laboratory setting, ideally in the education sector.

"I really enjoy the practical aspects of science. Working in the education sector would be great in terms of fitting in with my son's school holidays too."



ACCOUNTING



For those who want to gain practical skills and financial expertise for a rewarding career in the professional field of accountancy. Accreditation is by the AAT (The Association of Accounting Technicians). This well-recognised and widely respected qualification is preferred by employers.

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Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
1 19+	AAT Level 1 Access Award in Bookkeeping	28041L0	08/01/2024	Mon	10.30 - 14.30	18 Weeks	YES	£232.00	X	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	AAT Level 2 Certificate (Part-time day)	17224W0	12/09/2023	Tue	09.30 - 14.30	1 Year	YES	£1,072.50	X	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	AAT Level 2 Certificate (Part-time evening)	17223W0	13/09/2023	Wed	16.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£1,072.50	X	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	AAT Level 2 Certificate (Part-time day)	23240L0	12/09/2023	Tue	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£1,072.50	X	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	AAT Level 2 Certificate (Part-time day)	23523W0	09/02/2024	Fri	10.30 - 16.00	1 Year	YES	£1,072.50	X	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3 19+	AAT Level 3 Diploma (Part-time day)	23524W0	28/03/2024	Thur	09.00 - 18.00	1 Year	YES	£2,573.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3 19+	AAT Level 3 Diploma (Part-time evening)	17228W0	12/09/2023	Tue/Wed	17.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£2,573.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	AAT Level 4 Diploma (Part-time evening)	17230W0	09/01/2024	Tue/Wed	18.00 - 21.00	18 Months	NO	£2,573.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk



PROFESSIONAL RUGBY LEAGUE PLAYER COUNTS ON LEARNING FOR THE FUTURE

Warrington Wolves player Gil Dudson signed up for accountancy training in a bid to keep his career options open.

The 32-year-old spent two seasons with Wigan Warriors, before being released to join Widnes Vikings. As a Wigan resident, he decided to take up accountancy on the part-time evening course.

The former Catalans Dragons player has a background in mechanical engineering and a head for figures.

"I'm quite good with numbers and the course was very accessible for me. I have a young family and this course gave me the chance to do something else and upskill at a convenient time too."

Gil progressed from Level 2 AAT to Level 4.

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ANIMAL MANAGEMENT



For animal lovers interested in learning more about caring for and managing a range of species. Whether you fancy working in a vet practice, zoo, animal rescue centre, or pampering pooches, there are lots of career options to consider in the animal industry.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
19+	An introduction to Animal First Aid	30056W0	06/10/2023	Fri	17.30 - 20.30	2 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Dog Grooming	30055W0	26/09/2023	Tue	17.30 - 20.30	6 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	City & Guilds Animal Care	36073W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£648.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	City & Guilds Technical Certificate in Animal Care	36075L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£622.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	City & Guilds Technical Certificate in Animal Care	36074W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£622.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	City & Guilds Advanced Technical Diploma Animal Management	36077L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£4,425.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	City & Guilds Advanced Technical Diploma Animal Management	36076W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£4,425.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

ART & DESIGN, FASHION, GRAPHIC DESIGN & PHOTOGRAPHY



Explore your creative flair with a course based at our fully equipped School for the Arts within the Centre of Excellence in Creative Arts. Our workshops are dedicated to art, design, fashion and photography. Develop new skills for leisure under the guidance of our expert tutors.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
19+	Eco Fashion - Upcycled/ Repurposed Garments and Accessories	30690W0	16/04/2024	Tue	09.30 - 12.30	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Introduction to Photoshop		17/04/2024	Wed	18.00 - 20.00	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Public Speaking and Presentations for Beginners	30692W0	17/04/2024	Wed	18.00 - 20.00	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Beginners Needlecraft	29111W0	17/10/2023	Tue	18.00 - 20.00	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Introduction to Pattern Cutting	33626W0	21/09/2023	Thur	09.30 - 11.30	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Creative Crafts NCFE Award	30059W0	10/01/2024	Wed	09.30 - 12.30	20 Weeks	YES	£156.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Creative Crafts NCFE Award (Textiles)	36083W0	10/01/2024	Wed	09.30 - 12.30	20 Weeks	YES	£156.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	BTEC Introductory Diploma in Art & Design	30062W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£676.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
19+	Photography - Creative Studio Techniques	25118W0	09/01/2024	Tue	18.00 - 20.00	5 Weeks	YES	£70.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	In Stitches - Creative Sewing	22535W0	13/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 20.00	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	In Stitches - Creative Sewing	27714W0	17/04/2024	Wed	18.00 - 20.00	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	In Stitches - Creative Sewing	28443W0	10/01/2024	Wed	18.00 - 20.00	8 Weeks	YES	£45.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Art & Design BTEC Diploma	29024W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£666.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Art & Design BTEC National Extended Diploma	29463W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£8,583.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Creative Design for Gaming BTEC National Extended Diploma	29467W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£8,583.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	BTEC Foundation Diploma in Art and Design and Media Practice	29030W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	NO	£5,421.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Photography BTEC National Extended Diploma	29473W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£8,583.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Graphic Design and Illustration BTEC National Extended Diploma	29471W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£8,340.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Fashion and Clothing BTEC National Extended Diploma	29469W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£8,340.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	Foundation Degree (FdA) Creative Industries - Graphic Design Pathway Awarded by UCLan	23501W1	12/09/2023	Tue/ Wed/ Thur		2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
6	BA (Hons) Creative Practitioner (Graphics) Awarded by UCLan	27330W0	11/09/2023	Mon/Wed		1 Year	NO	£7,500.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
6	BA (Hons) Creative Practitioner (Fashion) Awarded by UCLan	27332W0	11/09/2023	Mon/Wed		1 Year	NO	£7,500.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

BEAUTY THERAPY



If you are new to the industry, or want to further your skills and career prospects our courses might be the kick start you need. The Image Centre hair and beauty salons are fully equipped to develop and showcase skills and talents in a real working environment.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
19+	Gel nail polish	33080L0	16/10/2023	Mon	09.00 - 12 noon	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Dermaplaning	33084L0	11/03/2024	Mon	09.00 - 12 noon	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Chemical skin peels	33085L0	20/05/2024	Mon	09.00 - 12 noon	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Microneedling	33086L0	10/06/2024	Mon	09.00 - 12 noon	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Hopi Ear candling	33087W0	22/01/2024	Mon	13.00 - 16.00	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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BEAUTY THERAPY - CONTINUED



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
19+	Lash Lift	33081W0	13/11/2023	Mon	13.00 - 16.00	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Brow lamination	33082W0	04/12/2023	Mon	13.00 - 16.00	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	One-on-one lashes	33083W0	12/02/2024	Mon	13.00 - 16.00	1 Day	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Beauty Therapy	36091W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£641.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Beauty Therapy Technical Certificate	33061L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£762.25	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Media Makeup & Hair Technical Certificate	25044W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£616.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Beauty Therapy Technical Certificate	30236W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£762.25	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Media Makeup and Special Effects	30105W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,216.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Beauty Therapy Diploma	21159L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,326.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Nail Technology City & Guilds Diploma	29007L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	NO	£2,461.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

BUSINESS



Become a confident decision maker in a professional environment, or hone your existing business acumen for promotion or career progression. Our tutors bring industry experience to the classroom and you can benefit from links with employers across a range of sectors.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
1	Step into Office Work		Jan 2024			12 Weeks (inc 2 week placement)	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	BTEC Business Studies		18/09/2023	Mon	10.00 - 12 noon	18 Weeks	*FREE for eligible learners			Wigan Life Centre North	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		19/09/2023	Tue	9.30 - 11.30	Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton						
				12.30 - 14.30	Family Welfare Centre, Leigh						
1	Vocational Studies (Digital Enterprise) BTEC Introductory Diploma	28061W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£632.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Business BTEC First Extended Certificate	21747W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Business BTEC First Extended Certificate	29013L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Business BTEC Extended Diploma	25017L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£6,602.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Business BTEC Extended Diploma	25006W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£6,602.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	Business Higher National Diploma (HND)	33035W1	11/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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CATERING & HOSPITALITY



If you are inspired by British Bake Off and fancy developing your cake and bakery skills, or you are looking for a career in the expanding hospitality sector, you will find a course here for you.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
	Step into Food Production		Nov 2023			10 Weeks		FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
E	Introduction to the Catering and Hospitality Industry Entry 3 Diploma	19322W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£248.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Introduction to Bread and Dough	33031W0	20/09/2023	Wed	17.30 - 20.30	6 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Introduction to Bread and Dough	33036W0	17/01/2024	Wed	17.30 - 20.30	6 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Introduction to Pastry and Pastry Products	33032W0	08/11/2023	Wed	17.30 - 20.30	6 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Introduction to Pastry and Pastry Products	33039W0	06/03/2024	Wed	17.30 - 20.30	6 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Professional Cookery Diploma	21166W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£754.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	19+ Pâtisserie Certificate	33034W0	26/09/2023	Tue	17.30 - 20.30	24 Weeks	YES	£57.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Food Preparation & Cookery Technical Diploma	25072W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£757.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Food Production & Cookery Diploma	21218W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£602.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Professional Pâtisserie and Confectionery City & Guilds Certificate	28105W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£426.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Pâtisserie & Confectionery Diploma	19012W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,345.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Advanced Professional Cookery Technical Diploma	29019W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£5,421.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Hospitality Supervisory & Leadership Diploma	21270W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£2,583.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	City & Guilds Diploma Professional Cookery	23042W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,345.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk



EASTERN PROMISE

Catering student Maryam Mohammady Mohammady is hoping to introduce the food delicacies of her native Iran to the north west region, opening her own coffee shop.

The 35-year-old mother of one is studying Catering at Level 2, and hopes to continue to Level 3 next year, before following her dream of starting a small business.

Maryam studied English for Speakers of other Languages at the college before the catering course and has a real passion for the food industry.

"I love this course and I love this business, especially decorating food and creating new dishes," she added. "I would love to introduce food from my country to the people here."

Studying at the college is a family affair for the Mohammadays, with husband Mohamad on a plumbing course at the Pagefield Centre, with the aim to progress to civil engineering.

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CHILDCARE & EARLY YEARS



From full to part-time courses you can learn more about early years' education and the care sector to launch your childcare career, or develop your existing skills and experience.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
	Step into Residential Children's Care		Oct 2023 and March 2024			12 Weeks (inc 6 week placement)	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ BTEC Caring for Children		20/09/2023	Wed	9.30 - 11.30	18 Weeks				Family Welfare Centre, Leigh Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton Wigan Life Centre North	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
12.30 - 14.30											
21/09/2023			Thur	12.45 - 15.00							
1	Early Years Cache Diploma	18090W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£639.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Working with Children in Early Years Settings T Level Transition	33037W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Working with Children in Early Years Settings T Level Transition	36020L0/P	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	19+ Residential Childcare Diploma		14/09/2023	Thur	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
Fri				10.30 - 14.00							
3	19+ Childcare & Education CACHE Technical Certificate	30104W0	11/09/2023	Mon/Tue	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£2,882.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	19+ Children, Young People & their Services Foundation Degree (FdA) Awarded by UCLan	18392W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 19.00	2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
6	BA (Hons) Education Studies Top-up degree Awarded by UCLan	23506W0	13/09/2023	Wed	09.00 - 19.00	2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

CIVIL ENGINEERING/CONSTRUCTION AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT



Our flexible Higher National Certificates in Construction & Civil Engineering are a perfect choice for those already working in the industry, to enhance careers or gain the skills for a promotion.

Our Civil Engineering courses are held in the college's Centre for Advanced Technical Studies located in the Rushton building opposite Parsons Walk in Wigan town centre.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
2	Construction and the Built Environment BTEC Extended Certificate	36139W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£571.00	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4	19+ HNC Civil Engineering (RQF)	36103W1	12/09/2023	Tue/Thur	17.30 - 20.30	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4	19+ Higher National Certificate (HNC) Construction Management (Design and Build) (HTQ)	36192W1	12/09/2023	Tue/Thur	17.30 - 21.00	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4	19+ Higher National Certificate (HNC) Construction Management (Construction Site Supervisor) HTQ	3612W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 16.30	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4	19+ Higher National Certificate (HNC) Civil Engineering (RQF)	36190W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 16.30	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
4 19+	HNC Construction Management (Design and Build) HTQ Part-time Day	36101W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 16.30	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
		36194W1	23/01/2024								
4 19+	HNC Quantity Surveying (HTQ) Part-time Day	3610W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 16.30	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
		36191W1	23/01/2024								
4 19+	HNC Construction Management (Construction Site Supervisor) HTQ Part-time Day	36195W1	23/01/2024	Tue	09.00 - 16.30	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	Higher National Certificate (HNC) Civil Engineering (RQF)	36111W1	23/01/2024	Tue	09.00 - 16.30	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	Higher National Certificate (HNC) Civil Engineering (RQF)	36110W1	23/01/2024	Tue/Thur	17.30 - 21.00	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	Higher National Certificate (HNC) Construction Management (Design & Build)	36193W1	23/01/2024	Tue/Thur	17.30 - 21.00	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5 19+	HND Civil Engineering Part-time Day	36106W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 19.15	3 Years	NO	£3,250.00	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

COMPUTING & DIGITAL SKILLS



Learn more about the latest IT and technology systems, either for home or to develop digital skills in the workplace. Our courses can also enhance your career with more intense higher level study.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
19+	Job Seeking Online (Basic and Intermediate)		Starting throughout the year		9.30 - 15.00	2 Days	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre and Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
E 19+	Computers for the Terrified	30090LO	14/09/2023	Thu	12.30 - 16.00	3 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
E 19+	Computers for the Terrified	30094W0	07/02/2024	Wed	12.30 - 16.00	3 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
E 19+	Computers for the Terrified	30023LO	08/02/2024	Thu	13.00 - 16.00	3 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Essential Digital Skills Qualification (EDSQ)		18/09/2023 21/09/2023 19/09/2023 20/09/2023	Mon Thur Tue Wed	10.00 - 12.15 12.30 - 15.00	18 Weeks		FREE		Wigan Life Centre North Family Welfare Centre, Leigh Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
E 19+	Essential Digital Skills	30091LO	05/10/2023	Thu	13.00 - 16.00	14 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
E 19+	Essential Digital Skills	30095W0	28/02/2024	Wed	13.00 - 16.00	14 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
E 19+	Essential Digital Skills	30024LO	29/02/2024	Thu	13.00 - 16.00	14 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1 19+	Essential Digital Skills	30027W0	13/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	14 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1 19+	Essential Digital Skills	30026LO	08/02/2024	Thu	18.00 - 21.00	14 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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2	Computer Science & Digital Skills BTEC Extended Certificate	21744W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Computer Science & Digital Skills BTEC Extended Certificate	21743L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Information Technology & Digital Skills BTEC Extended Diploma	28019W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£3,345.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Information Technology & Digital Skills BTEC Extended Diploma	28032L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£3,345.00*	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Esports BTEC Extended Diploma	36034W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	New for 2023 - 24 Please Enquire			Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	Higher National Diploma (HND) Computing for England Higher Technical Qualification (HTQ)	33036W1	11/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

CONSTRUCTION TRADES

From painting and decorating to plumbing, plastering and joinery, our construction crafts courses offer practical and theoretical skills in a hands-on environment. Some courses are for adult learners only, while others are mixed groups of school leavers and adults.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
1	Award in Health & Safety and CSCS Exam	30824W0	Throughout the Year	Thur & Fri	09.00 - 15.30	2 Days	NO	£115.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Bricklaying Diploma	21738W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£619.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Employment in Construction	21740W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£674.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Joinery Diploma	21737W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£619.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Painting & Decorating Diploma	21730W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£619.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Plastering Diploma	21739W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£619.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Plumbing Foundation City & Guilds Diploma	27061W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£639.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Bricklaying City & Guilds Technical Certificate	25033W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£620.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Joinery City & Guilds Technical Certificate	25032W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£620.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Painting & Decorating City & Guilds Technical Certificate	25031W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£620.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Plastering City & Guilds Technical Certificate	25034W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£620.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Plumbing Technical Diploma	28070W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£701.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Carpentry & Joinery Advanced Technical Diploma	29011W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,345.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Plumbing Foundation City & Guilds Diploma	29012W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,345.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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FROM PORTER TO PLUMBER AND LOTS IN BETWEEN



Lee Kearney's varied career is set to change again. The 28-year-old is taking the full-time Level 3 Plumbing course and is hoping for a long-term career and eventually his own business.

"I have had a taste of work experience in a few different sectors now and I know that plumbing is the one for me," said Lee.

Having had jobs spanning five years at McDonalds, a porter position at Euxton Hall private hospital, and a theatre healthcare assistant in the NHS, Lee currently works in the maintenance team at the same hospital, alongside his studies.

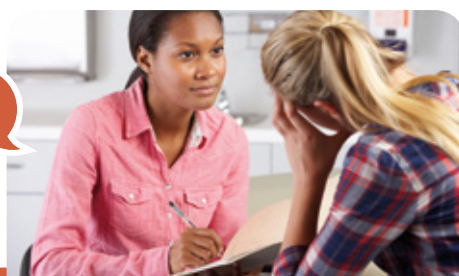
"When I decided to return to college I thought it's now or never," said the father of two. *"I am not getting any younger and working as a plumber pays well. I have always liked tinkering with things and enjoy fixing stuff up."*

Lee has progressed from Level 2 in Plumbing, achieving a Distinction.

"As an adult I have a different mind-set and I get on with my studies," he added. *"Having that maturity helps. I was a bit apprehensive as an adult joining younger students in the class, but it has been fine. I even ended up coaching some of my classmates to help them out, which I enjoyed too."*

After the course, Lee hopes to secure an apprenticeship in plumbing or gas, before starting up his own business.

COUNSELLING



If you are a good listener, with an empathetic nature, who wants to support people in managing their own mental health issues, our counselling courses might be just what you are looking for.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
2 19+	Mental Health and Wellbeing OPENAWARDS	30034W0	11/09/2023	Mon	09.30 - 15.00	16 Weeks	YES	£219.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	Counselling Skills	33400W0	12/09/2023	Tue/Thur	18.00 - 21.00	17 Weeks	YES	£436.00	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	Counselling Skills	33401W0	19/09/2023	Tue/Thur	18.00 - 21.00	17 Weeks	YES	£436.00	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	Counselling Skills	33577W0	07/02/2024	Wed	09.30 - 15.00	17 Weeks	YES	£436.00	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3 19+	Counselling Skills	33023W0	19/09/2023	Tue/Wed	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£2,230.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

COUNSELLOR CAREER IN THE OFFING FOR NHS DIRECTOR



Thirty-nine-year-old Nina Russell has taken the first steps in following her dream of becoming a counsellor, signing up for the part-time Level 3 Counselling course.

Having experienced a traumatic event three years ago, the mother of a five-year-old son started her own counselling journey, and now she plans to qualify as a trauma therapist.

Currently Director of Transformation at an NHS Hospital, Nina is managing to juggle her full-time job with the evening course, which also includes remote learning at the weekend.

"The set-up of the course is excellent," said Nina. *"I was very anxious on my first day, as it had been some time since I had been in a learning environment, but I was made to feel at ease straight away. Not only by my tutor, but other members of staff, who were really kind in pointing me in the right direction when I felt a bit lost."*

Nina has bonded with the group and is delighted with the learning facilities, with the added bonus of finding out that funding was available to pay for the course.

"I had already set up a direct debit to pay for the course - little did I know that the college was looking into funding for me. It was a lovely surprise to find out that funding was available."

Nina is hoping to take up a degree, or Masters in counselling, following the Level 3 programme, in a bid to set up her own practice, while working for the NHS, or in the charity sector.

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ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING



Benefit from our multimillion pound facilities at the Centre of Excellence in Engineering, working in state-of-the-art facilities with cutting-edge equipment and tuition from industry experienced staff.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
2	Engineering (Electrical Pathway) BTEC Extended Certificate	36071W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£530.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Electrical & Electronic Engineering BTEC Extended Diploma	28252W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£8,583.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 ¹⁹⁺	Engineering (Electrical & Electronic Engineering) Higher National Certificate (HNC) / Higher National Diploma (HND)	29001W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 19.30	HNC 2 Years HND 3 Years	NO	HNC £3,250.00* HND £4,333.00*	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 ¹⁹⁺	Engineering (Electrical & Electronic Engineering) Higher National Certificate (HNC)	33025W1	11/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	NO	£7,500.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
6 ¹⁹⁺	BEng (Hons) Electrical & Electronic Engineering (Top-up) Awarded by Awarded by UCLan	23230W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 18.30	2 Years	NO	£3,750.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION



Electricians, keep up with the latest industry standard regulations, inspection criteria and testing, to make sure you are fully compliant with the most recent procedures.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
1	Electrical Installation City & Guilds Diploma	27055W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£684.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Electrical Installation Technical Certificate	25092W0	04/09/2023	Various		1 Year	YES	£691.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3 ¹⁹⁺	AM2 - Achievement Measurement Test	23280W0	Throughout the year				NO	£800.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Electrical Installation Advanced Technical Diploma	29010W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,345.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3 ¹⁹⁺	City & Guilds 18th Edition Wiring Regulations BS7671:2018	28110W0	13/09/2023	Wed	17.00 - 21.00	5 Weeks	YES	£337.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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- Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care - Level 2
- Principles of Business Administration
- Principles of Team Leading
- Understanding Business Improvement Techniques
- Understanding Tenant Support in Social Housing



CHILDCARE & EDUCATION



- Principles of Working with Individuals with Learning Disabilities
- Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Understanding Autism
- Understanding Children and Young People's Mental Health
- Understanding Common Childhood Illnesses
- Understanding Safeguarding, Prevent and British Values
- Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties



HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE



- Common Health Conditions
- Principles of Care Planning
- Principles of Dementia Care
- Principles of End of Life Care
- Principles of the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health Care Settings
- Understanding Cancer Support
- Understanding Dignity and Safeguarding in Adult Health and Social Care
- Understanding Personal Care Needs
- Understanding the Care and Management of Diabetes
- Understanding the Safe Handling of Medication in Health and Social Care



MENTAL HEALTH



- Awareness of Mental Health Problems
- Counselling Skills
- Principles of Dementia Care
- Understanding Behaviour that Challenges
- Understanding Mental Health First Aid and Mental Health Advocacy in the Workplace
- Understanding Working with People with Mental Health Needs



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT



- Understanding Climate Change & Environmental Awareness
- Understanding Nutrition and Health



To apply visit: wigan-leigh.ac.uk/adult-courses/online-learning scroll to choose your course and click apply next to the course title

Courses are fully funded but there is a withdrawal fee of £125 if you do not complete. Courses are offered free to UK residents subject to postcode eligibility. Those aged 19-23 must have at least 5 GCSEs A-C or 9-4 or a full Level 2 qualification.



ONLINE

Most people choose to study online for ease of use and flexibility:

- Learners may complete assessments through any internet enabled device, anywhere, any time. However, we recommend a tablet or laptop to complete the course.
- Printed resources are also provided.

ELIGIBILITY

If eligible, courses are fully funded, however, there is a withdrawal fee of £125 if you do not complete.

Courses are funded if you meet all of the following:

- Aged 24 or more (if you are aged 19 - 23 you must already have a FULL level 2 qualification or equivalent).
- Resident in the UK for three or more years, for purposes other than study.
- Not currently active on an apprenticeship.

1:1 SUPPORT

Our qualified staff support your studies throughout your programme offering one-to-one guidance.

Assessors provide study schedules and personal support by email, virtual meetings, online or telephone.

We recommend you already have at least a Level 1 in English (GCSE grade D or equivalent) or Level 2 in English (GCSE grade C or equivalent) for the following courses:

- Adverse Childhood Experiences
- Information, Advice and Guidance
- Lean Organisation Management Techniques
- Principles of Team Leading.

ONLINE LEARNING LEADS TO PROMOTION AT WORK

NHS administrator, Linda Scanlon, was promoted to Peer Support Worker Supervisor, after completing the Online Learning Principles of Team Leading course.

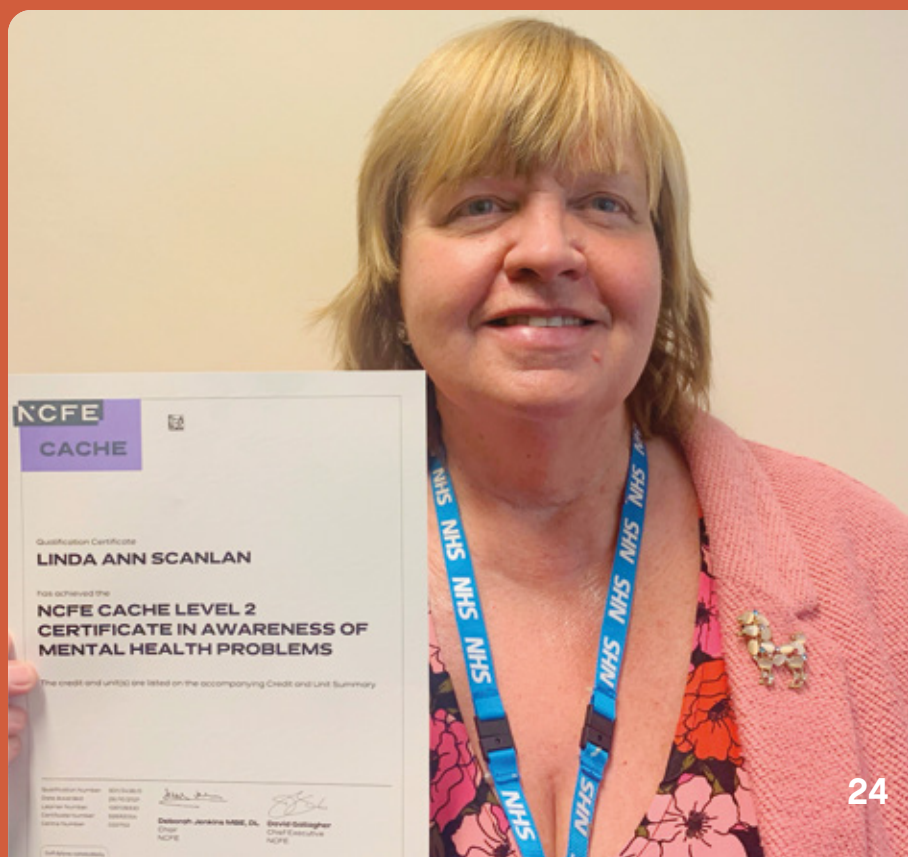
Having completed 14 Online Learning courses in the last two years, bosses in the Intensive Support Team at Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust were impressed with her commitment.

"I have enjoyed all the courses and learned so much," said Linda.

"I really feel that my learning has increased my job opportunities, not only developing knowledge and skills, but also proving that I am keen to continue with my personal development."

Some of the courses Linda has studied include: Principles of End of Life Care; Understanding Autism; Awareness of Mental Health Problems; Lean Organisation Management Techniques; and Understanding Dignity and Safeguarding in Adult Health and Social Care.

Part of Linda's new role is supporting people who work for the Trust, 10 of whom have a learning disability.



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FREE GCSE ENGLISH AND MATHS

You may be eligible for full funding if you do not already have GCSE Maths and English grades 9-4, regardless of the other qualifications you may hold.

If you would like to enrol for GCSE Maths and English, book an assessment and enrolment appointment to discover your options. Bring your certificates, so our staff can help you get on the right pathway.

If you want to study at college, please book your assessment and enrolment appointment, email: applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk or call: **01942 761111**

If you would prefer to study at a local community centre, please contact Wigan Council Adult Learning team on **01942 489758 / 489714** or email: adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk

INTRODUCTION TO BRITISH SIGN LANGUAGE (BSL)



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
Level 1	Introduction to British Sign Language		12/09/2023	Tue or Thur	18.00 - 20.00	22 Weeks		FREE		Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

GCSEs



Retaking your GCSEs as an adult is a lot more common than you might think. Don't forget you are not alone - many adults study for their GCSEs later on in life, and find the experience to be a much more positive than the first time around. Rather than feeling forced to take your exams at a highly pressured time of life, you are choosing to take them to better yourself and therefore you are instantly more engaged.

So, if you want to help your children with homework, or need GCSEs to progress towards further study or a career change what are you waiting for?



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
2 19+	GCSE Biology	27013L0	12/09/2023	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£50.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	GCSE Biology	27012W0	13/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£50.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Evening	29018L0	12/09/2023	Tue/Wed	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£102.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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Enjoy learning English language at our popular ESOL department. We will help you improve your English reading, writing, speaking and listening skills, in classes with students from all over the world. Become more confident

and use your language skills to help you at work, at home and within the community. Our classes are fun, interesting and our experienced teachers will help and support you as you learn, meet new people and gain skills.

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applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk or call: 01942 761111**

ESOL students must bring the following to enrolment:

- **Non-UK nationals** must bring home office documentation or evidence of settled/pre-settled status (eg biometric residence permit, and in some cases home office documentation).
- **Asylum Seekers** must have lived in the UK for 6 months or longer and show evidence (eg ARC Card, BAIL 201, or local authority evidence).
- ARC Card dated beyond six months and post office receipt of support, dated within the month (19+).

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER ON LEARNING JOURNEY

Opeyemi Mary Dosumu moved to England from Nigeria in 2021.

Opeyemi achieved the BSc (Hons) in Accounting in Nigeria, but is hoping for a new career here as a counsellor.

Following the English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL) course, she progressed to Entry Level 3 English, alongside studying Level 2 Mental Health and Wellbeing.

“I chose the course as I felt isolated at home and this gave me stress,” said Opeyemi. *“I wanted to improve my English and gain more knowledge to make more impact in the community.”*

She currently volunteers at the Brick, Wigan foodbank, and hopes to take up a counselling course at the college.

“I’m the kind of person who wants to learn more. The college has really helped me and coming here has been good for my own mental health too.”

“If I am allowed to work in this country, I would like to give back. Having come through anxiety, stress and depression myself, I would like to go down a counselling route, as I feel I can listen to other people and help them to find their own way forward.”



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FLORISTRY, HORTICULTURE & LANDSCAPING STUDIES



For green-fingered lovers of flora and fauna, we offer a variety of courses for leisure, or to help you progress your career in floristry or horticulture.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
19+	DIY Wedding Flowers	30660W0	17/04/2024	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	8 Weeks	YES	£80.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Introduction to Floristry	33050W0	20/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	8 Weeks	YES	£58.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Diploma in Floristry, Horticulture & Landscaping	33028W0	04/09/2023	Full-time	09.00 - 16.30	1 Year	YES	£628.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Practical Horticulture City & Guilds Award	33055W0	13/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	11 Weeks	YES	£258.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	19+ Practical Horticulture City & Guilds Certificate	33602W0	13/03/2024	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	11 Weeks	YES	£233.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Horticulture Diploma	22351W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£563.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Practical Horticulture Diploma	28313W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£564.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	City & Guilds Technical Certificate in Floristry	33022W0	05/09/2023	Tue/ Wed/ Thur	09.00 - 16.30	1 Year	YES	£643.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Creative Crafts Floristry NCFE Certificate	36085W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£421.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	19+ Creative Crafts Floristry NCFE Certificate	36086W0	13/09/2023	Wed	10.30 - 16.30	1 Year	NO	£941.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	City & Guilds Advanced Technical Diploma in Floristry	30084W0	04/09/2023	Mon/ Tue/ Wed	09.00 - 13.30	1 Year	YES	£4,425.00	✗ ✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

HAIRDRESSING



If you are new to the industry, or want to further your skills and career prospects in the sector our courses will set you on the right track. The Image Centre hair and beauty salons are fully equipped to develop and showcase skills and talents in a real working environment.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
19+	Basic Hair Styling	33070L0	07/11/2023	Tue	18.00 - 20.00	3 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Long Hair Up	33073L0	14/11/2023	Tue	18.00 - 20.00	3 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Basic Cutting Techniques	33074L0	16/01/2024	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	3 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
19+	Hair Extensions	33075L0	27/02/2024	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	3 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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*Please enquire

HAIRDRESSING CONTINUED



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
E	Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector	27000W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£262.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Hair & Beauty Diploma	21174W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£631.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Hair & Beauty Diploma	17219L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£631.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Barbering Certificate	27084W0	03/10/2023	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	NO	£1100.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Hairdressing Technical Certificate	25037W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£755.25	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Hairdressing Technical Certificate	36089L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£755.25	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 ¹⁹⁺	Womens Hairdressing City & Guilds Diploma	30040W0	12/09/2023	Tue/Thur	17.30 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£770.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Hairdressing City & Guilds Diploma	17375L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,199.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE



Benefit from our Centre of Excellence in Health and Social Care's facilities and links with local NHS employers to follow your pathway to a career in caring, nursing, midwifery, paramedicine, social and youth work, therapies or psychiatry.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
	Step into Health & Social Care		Sept 2023 and Feb 2024			8 Weeks (inc 4 week placement)	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Introduction to Health, Social Care & Childrens	36133W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£593.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	Introduction to Health, Social Care & Childrens	36134L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£593.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	BTEC Health & Social Care		18/09/2023	Mon	10.00 - 12.15	18 Weeks	*FREE for eligible learners			Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
		21/09/2023	Thur	9.30 - 11.30	Family Welfare Centre, Leigh						
		22/09/2023	Fri		Wigan Life Centre North						
2	Health & Social Care Professionals	30045W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Health & Social Care Professionals	36092L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3 ¹⁹⁺	Adult Care CACHE Diploma	30033W0	12/09/2023	Tue/Fri	09.30 - 15.00	1 Year	YES	£2,882.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Health & Social Care BTEC Extended Diploma	28014L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£7,395.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Health & Social Care BTEC Extended Diploma	28039W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£7,395.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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MANAGEMENT & PROFESSIONAL



Human Resources and Learning and Development departments form a part of many organisations. Those with CIPD and ASCENTIS qualifications can choose from a wide range of industries.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
3	CIPD (Human Resource Management) Foundation Certificate in People Practice	30123W0	14/09/2023	Thur	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£1,374.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	CIPD (Human Resource Management) Level 3 Foundation Certificate in People Practice	30124W0	25/01/2024	Thur	09.00 - 17.00	20 Weeks	YES	£1,374.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	CIPD (Human Resource Management Associate Diploma in People Management	30126W0	12/09/2023	Tue	16.00 - 21.00	1 Year	NO	£1,855.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

HR SPECIALIST'S BUSINESS BOOST THROUGH CIPD STUDY



Business recruitment manager, Stephen Smith, is using his newly developed human resource (HR) skills to win more business for his company, Rise Resourcing.

Having achieved the Level 5 CIPD qualification, the former retail buyer is now able to offer an enhanced service for small to medium sized businesses, which don't have an HR function, as well helping to create more inclusive work environments for his clients.

"I have always been interested in understanding people and helping them to achieve their goals," said Stephen.

"I was keen to build on my own people management skills, so as my agency grows I can effectively manage and support my team."

In his current role as Business Manager, Stephen works with clients in ecommerce, fashion, general merchandise, fast moving consumer goods, homeware, and not-for-profit sectors.

"I enjoyed the collaborative nature of the course, learning alongside some brilliant professionals, from all sorts of industries," said Stephen. *"I wouldn't have had that experience if I'd chosen a self-study online learning route."*

"I also appreciated the small class size, and because it was in the evenings it fitted in well around my full-time job," he added

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING YOUR OWN BOSS AND DON'T KNOW WHERE TO START?

Got an idea? Got the funds? Got the enthusiasm?

Then the NCFE accredited certificate in Creating a Business Start-up is your next step to success.

It is specially designed to arm you with the knowledge and confidence to establish your own business, and thrive as an entrepreneur.

You will build your self-awareness and work on personal development, learn how to create a business plan, discover how to market yourself successfully, and much more.

As you study in your own time and at your own pace, you will have unlimited tutor support every step of the way.

- Discover how to develop a business idea and decide on an appropriate business structure.
- Map out a business plan, taking account of external and regulatory factors.
- Conduct a market analysis.
- Learn about cash flow and profit.
- Create a business and marketing plan.
- Understand the legal and financial considerations involved in business start-ups.



Scan the QR code and scroll down to CREATING A BUSINESS START-UP to find out more or enrol.

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MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Benefit from our £18 million facilities in the Centre of Excellence in Engineering at the Pagefield Centre. Develop the practical skills and knowledge to work in one of the largest employment sectors in the area.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
19+	CSWA Solidworks Upskilling	36116W0	02/10/2023	Mon	18.00 - 21.00	12 Weeks	NO	TBC	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
1	City & Guilds Certificate in Engineering	36114W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£278.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Engineering Operations (Skills) City & Guilds Diploma	36072W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£611.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	Fabrication & Welding NVQ2 Diploma	22228W0	05/10/2023	Thur	18.00 - 21.00	30 Weeks	NO	£880.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Engineering City & Guilds Diploma	36131W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£3,345.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Mechanical Engineering Extended Diploma	28253W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£8,583.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	Mechanical Engineering Higher National Certificate (HNC)	18041W1	12/09/2023	Tue/Wed	17.30 - 21.00	2 Years	NO	£3,250.00*	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	Higher National Certificate (HNC) Engineering (Mechanical)	33024W1	11/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4 19+	Higher National Certificate (HNC) / Higher National Diploma (HND) Engineering (Mechanical)	29003W1	12/09/2023	Tue		HNC 2 Years HND 3 Years	NO	£3,250.00* £4,333.00*	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
6 19+	BEng (Hons) Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering (Top-Up) Awarded by UCLan	23040W1	12/09/2023	Tue	09.00 - 18.00	2 Years	NO	£3,750.00*	✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

MEDIA

Budding broadcasters can experience working in studios replicating industry TV and radio settings, alongside other cutting-edge technologies. Develop your creative flair, practical, theoretical and technical skills.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan available	Location	What Next?
2	Creative Media Skills BTEC First Diploma	29484W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Creative Media Practice BTEC National Extended Diploma	29461W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£7,402.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

MOTOR VEHICLE ENGINEERING

If you have a passion for engines our fully equipped purpose-built motor vehicle workshop is the place to learn more about maintenance and repair. Workshops are installed with industry standard equipment, including a simulated MOT bay, brake testing and diagnostic equipment.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
1	Motor Vehicle	36113W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£596.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Light Vehicle Maintenance & Repair Principles Diploma	33042W0	04/09/2023	Full-time	09.00 - 16.30	1 Year	YES	£1,185.50	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	Safe Maintenance of Electric and Hybrid Vehicles	36037W0	29/01/2024	TBA	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£101.00	✗	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Principles City & Guilds Diploma	33043W0	04/09/2023	Full-time	09.00 - 16.30	1 Year	YES	£5,421.00	✓	Pagefield Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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MUSIC



Budding musicians and producers can learn more about audio, music and performance from industry experts at the Centre for Performing Arts.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
2	BTEC Music Industry Skills	21689W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Audio & Music Production BTEC Extended Diploma	28265W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,152.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Music (Practice) BTEC Extended Diploma	28267W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,152.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

PERFORMING ARTS



Whether your passion is in music, dance or acting we have a range of courses, at varying levels, to develop your practical skills and provide an insight into the performing arts industries.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
19+	Public Speaking and Presentations for Beginners	30692W0	17/04/2024	Wed	18.00 - 20.00	8 Weeks	YES	FREE	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Performing Arts BTEC	29485W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Acting BTEC Extended Diploma	29465W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,152.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Dance BTEC Extended Diploma	29476W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,152.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

PUBLIC SERVICES



From problem solving to physical fitness, our professional tutors will put you through your paces if you're looking for a career in the Police, Fire and Rescue, Prison Services or Armed Forces.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
1	Public Services with Sport BTEC Diploma	17333W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£636.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Public Services BTEC First Extended Certificate	21211W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£681.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Public Services BTEC First Extended Certificate	28007L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£681.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Public Services BTEC National Extended Diploma	29021L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£6,602.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Public Services BTEC National Extended Diploma	29023W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£6,602.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	Public Services Higher National Diploma (HND)	29000W1	11/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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SCIENCE



Bring science to life on one of a range of courses from. Science is the basis of many rewarding careers including forensics, biochemistry or the pharmaceutical industry.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
2 19+	GCSE Biology	27013L0	12/09/2023	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£50.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	GCSE Biology	27012W0	13/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£50.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	GCSE Combined Science Trilogy Evening	29018L0	12/09/2023	Tue/Wed	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	YES	£102.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Applied Science BTEC Extended Certificate (transition)	36128W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	TBC	TBC	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Applied Science BTEC Extended Diploma	28024L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£7,395.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Applied Science BTEC Extended Diploma	28026W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£7,395.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5 19+	Higher National Diploma (HND) Applied Sciences (Biology pathway)	30117L1	11/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

SPORT



Our Centre of Excellence in Sport at Leigh Sports Village is the hub for a range of courses. World class facilities combined with professional tuition could open up a new career pathway for you in sports, coaching, nutrition or teaching.



Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
1	Sport with Public Services BTEC Diploma	27094L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£627.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Sport and Physical Activity	27101L0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£682.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2 19+	Active IQ Certificate in Fitness Instructing (Gym)	33045L0	19/09/2023	Tue/Wed	18.00 - 21.00	10 Weeks	YES	£168.00	✗	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3 19+	Sports Massage VTCT Diploma	25570L0	13/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	30 Weeks	NO	£1,021.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Sport Science BTEC National Extended Diploma	28064L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£7,395.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Sport BTEC National Extended Diploma	28044L1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£7,395.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Active IQ Diploma in Personal Training	33046L0	09/01/2024	Tue/Wed	18.00 - 21.00	10 Weeks	YES	£915.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4	Sports Massage VTCT Diploma		12/9/2023	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	30 Weeks	NO	£811.00	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5 19+	Sport and Exercise Science Higher National Diploma (HND)	30010L1	11/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Leigh College	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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TEACHING ASSISTANT



If you are looking for a rewarding career in supporting teaching and learning in schools, we offer a range of courses to prepare you. Courses are available during the day or evening to fit in around busy work and home schedules.

If you are aged 19-23 and you do not have a Level 3 qualification, you may not have to pay course fees. See page 36 for more details about fees and financial assistance.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What next?
2	Certificate Supporting Teaching and Learning		20/09/2023	Wed	10.00 - 13.00	37 Weeks		*FREE for eligible learners		Green Grass Community Centre, Atherton	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
			21/09/2023	Thur	9.30 - 12 noon					Wigan Life Centre North	
2	Certificate Supporting Teaching and Learning		20/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	37 Weeks		*FREE for eligible learners		Online Class	Phone 01942 489758 / 489714 for more information or email adultlearning@wigan.gov.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Day)	27031W0	15/09/2023	Fri	09.30 - 16.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Evening)	27032W0	12/09/2023	Tue	16.30 - 21.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Evening)	30129L0	13/09/2023	Wed	16.30 - 21.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Day)	27033L0	13/09/2023	Wed	09.30 - 16.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Day)	29156W0	19/01/2024	Fri	09.30 - 21.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Evening)	29098W0	16/01/2024	Tue	16.30 - 21.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Day)		17/01/2024	Wed	09.30 - 16.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Teaching Assistants Cache Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Evening)		17/01/2024	Wed	16.30 - 21.00	15 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Leigh Adult Learning Centre	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Step into Teaching Assistant	33622W0	02/11/2023	Thur	12.30 - 15.30	9 Weeks	YES	£250.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
			25/04/2024	Thur							
3	Teaching Assistants Cache Diploma in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Evening)	27041W0	12/09/2023	Tue	16.30 - 21.00	21 Weeks	YES	£2,230.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Teaching Assistants Cache Diploma in Supporting Teaching & Learning (Day)	27045W0	05/03/2024	Tue	09.30 - 15.30	21 Weeks	YES	£2,230.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
4	Certificate for the Advanced Practitioner in Schools and Colleges NCFE CACHE	27030W0	14/09/2023	Thur	18.00 - 21.00	30 Weeks	NO	£811.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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TEACHER EDUCATION



Working in education and training can be very rewarding. If you want to enhance your skills or change your career we have a range of courses to help you achieve your goals.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
3	Ascentis Education and Training Award (formerly PTLLS)	23022W0	20/09/2023	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	14 Weeks	YES	£360.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Ascentis Award in Education and Training (formerly PTLLS)	33090W0	24/01/2024	Wed	18.00 - 21.00	14 Weeks	YES	£360.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	Certificate in Education (Education & Training) Awarded by UCLan	16169W0	11/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	NO	£7,500.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	Certificate in Education (Education & Training) Awarded by UCLan	09287W1	11/09/2023	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	NO	£3,750.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
6	BA (Hons) Primary Education with QTS (Part-time) Awarded by Edge Hill University	33093W1	11/09/2023			4 Years	NO		✓	Centre for Advanced Technical Studies	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
7	Post Graduate Certificate in Education (Education & Training) Awarded by UCLan	10321W1	11/09/2023	Tue	18.00 - 21.00	1 Year	NO	£3,750.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
7	Post Graduate Certificate in Education (Education & Training) Awarded by UCLan	16168W0	11/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	NO	£7,500.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

REDUNDANCY RESULTS IN NEW CAREER CALLING

Having been made redundant from a family business, Victoria Parsons, aged 44, decided to follow a career working with children.

The mother of two girls took up the Teaching Assistant Level 2 course and hasn't looked back.

"I always wanted to work in education. The redundancy, combined with the fact that the children were a bit older, led me to decide that the time was right to do something for myself," said Victoria.

The course fit in around the children's school schedule, and has led to employed hours at Woodfold Primary School, where Victoria carried out her placement, just six weeks into the course.

"On day one at work you understand the logic behind things, not just the curriculum but safeguarding too," she added. *"It brought the practical and theory side together. The school could see that I had that backup and understanding - they could see I was good for the role."*



TEACHING CAREER CALLING FOR FORMER NURSERY ASSISTANT

Former childcare assistant Melissa Crawford is looking forward to a new career as a college lecturer.

The 31-year-old mother of three is studying the Post Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE), having achieved the Foundation Degree Children Young People and their Services and the Top-up BA (Hons) Education.

Melissa spent 12 years working in children's nurseries. As the opportunities for progression were few, she decided to sign up for the foundation degree, to broaden her career options.

Despite some setbacks, from losing her grandad to Covid and the sudden death of one

of her classmates, to giving birth in the Easter holidays during her Top-up year, Melissa never gave up.

"Losing our classmate was hard to deal with, but as a team we stuck together and got through it. I pushed myself through the degree for myself and for her, because I know that is what she would have wanted."

With placement experience as a tutor at the college, teaching Levels 1, 2 and 3 in Early Years and Childcare, Melissa has found her calling.

"I am loving it. I thought I would be stuck working in nurseries forever," she added. *"My confidence has really developed and I have met so many friends for life during my studies."*



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TRAVEL & TOURISM



From cabin crew training to event management, our courses make sure you have the skills to meet the demands of an ever expanding industry.

Level	Course	Course Code	Start Date	Day	Time	Duration	Free for Eligible Learners	19+ Fee	Loan Available	Location	What Next?
2	Aviation NCFE	36087W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	TBC	TBC	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Cabin Crew Diploma	19038W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£639.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
2	Travel & Tourism Extended Certificate	28386W0	04/09/2023	Full-time		1 Year	YES	£653.00	✗	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
3	Travel and Tourism BTEC National Extended Diploma	28385W1	04/09/2023	Full-time		2 Years	YES	£6,602.00	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk
5	Higher National Diploma (HND) International Travel & Tourism Management	29029W1	11/09/2023	Mon/Tue	09.00 - 17.00	2 Years	NO	£7,500.00*	✓	Parsons Walk Centre, Wigan	Phone 01942 761111 or email applications@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

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COLLEGE IS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY PARTNER

Wigan & Leigh College is the lead Further Education partner for the Greater Manchester Institute of Technology (GMioT), which will specialise in construction, engineering, health and digital skills.

Artist's impression of the new Greater Manchester Institute of Technology to be based at the University of Salford



The new multi-million-pound technical education institute for Greater Manchester will open to students in September and is set to spearhead the delivery of science, technology, engineering and maths (STEM).

Led by the University of Salford, the GMioT brings together colleges and employers in the city region.

Those who choose to take up Computing, Engineering and Creative subjects at the University Centre will have the benefits of studying as part of the GMioT including:

- Access to partner facilities, as well as those based at the University Centre.
- Frequent exposure to the workplace, through specific partner employers.
- Networking opportunities with partner employers.

The GMioT is for school and college leavers who might be considering a career in STEM, as well as older learners looking to upskill or retrain.

The partners on the government's flagship programme are: the University of Salford; Ada, the National College for Digital Skills; Bury College; Tameside College; GCHQ; Laing O'Rourke; Siemens; and Talk-Talk.

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ADVANCED LEARNER LOANS

INVEST IN YOUR FUTURE

Learners aged 19+ who want to study a vocational, technical or professional qualification at Levels 3 and above may be eligible to apply for an Advanced Learner Loan.

The Advanced Learner Loan is only available to students on eligible courses at an approved institution such as Wigan & Leigh College.

Eligible courses include:

- A Levels and AS Levels
- Access to Higher Education Diplomas
- General and technical qualifications at Levels 3, 4, 5 and 6

If you are aged 19-23 and you do not have a Level 3 qualification, you may not have to pay course fees.

REPAYING YOUR ADVANCED LEARNER LOAN IS STRAIGHTFORWARD.

- You will only start making repayments when your income is more than the government threshold.
<https://www.gov.uk/repaying-your-student-loan/what-you-pay>
- You will only pay back 9% of any income above the threshold set by the government.

If you are aged 19+ and meet nationality or residency status criteria, it's easy to apply*:

- your household income isn't taken into account
- you won't have to pay anything back until your annual income is more than the government threshold
- there is no credit check.

*to check your residency eligibility go to <https://www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan/eligibility>

SOME COURSES ARE FREE FOR ELIGIBLE LEARNERS, AS SHOWN IN THE COURSE DETAILS.

You may be eligible for a FREE course if you are:

- Unemployed and in receipt of an eligible benefit (for example JSA, ESA or Universal Credit)
- Employed and earning less than £20,888
- Studying for your first full Level 2 qualification on an eligible legal entitlement course
- Aged 19+ and studying a Level 3 qualification on an eligible legal entitlement course.

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There are a number of reasons why changes to course information may need to be made prior to you applying for a place on a course at the college. These may include, but are not limited to, operational and/or academic reasons. Prospective students are therefore reminded that they are responsible for ensuring, prior to applying to study on a course of study at the college, that they review up-to-date course information, which is available by visiting wigan-leigh.ac.uk or by contacting us at 01942 761 111.

In addition, the college may be required to withdraw courses due to cohort numbers not being sufficient - please contact us if you require information in relation to cohort requirements on 01942 761 111.t

Further information describing the teaching, examination and other educational, pastoral and student support services offered by the college are available from wigan-leigh.ac.uk/college-information documents contain important contractual information. Prospective students should therefore fully familiarise themselves with these documents prior to applying on a course to study at the college.

ARE YOU RECRUITING?

LOOKING FOR YOUR NEXT STAR EMPLOYEE?



Are you a local employer, or are you involved in recruiting staff at your place of work?

Our expanding network of employer partners are reaping the benefits of working closely with us, to access support with recruitment challenges across a range of sectors - from healthcare to hairdressing, engineering to education, food manufacturing to finance. Here's how we can help you to recruit the right person to the right job.

Talent Pool

- We have a talent pool of recent learners of all ages qualified and ready for work.
- If you have specific needs and want to recruit quickly, you can work with us by sponsoring an Adult Retraining programme (see page 7)
- We can help you find your next apprentice at our Meet the Employer events.

Meet the Employer

As an employer, or recruiter, this is a great place to meet students of all ages, including school leavers and job seekers, keen to take the next steps in their career journey.

Based at our Centre for Advanced Technical Studies, you will have the opportunity to:

- Meet potential future employees to talk about your job opportunities.
- Find out more about the benefits of developing your talent pool with us and how we can support you.
- Talk to our apprenticeship team to find out how to access the very best candidates.

You will be in good company, with Sellafield Ltd, Electricity North West, Wigan Council and Tyson Building Contractors, just some of the employers who benefit from attending.

Upskill and Reskill your Existing Workforce Through Workplace Training, Apprenticeships and Flexible Online Programmes

Apprenticeships offer you the opportunity to grow your own talent - or you might want to upskill your existing staff through part-time courses. Our Online Learning programmes will help your staff upskill, with courses in health and social care, business operations, childcare, mental health or skills for work (see page 23)

Work Placements

Your business may benefit from hosting a student on an industry placement. All our courses combine classroom learning with an industry placement, and your contribution is vital in helping young people develop the knowledge, attitudes and practical skills to thrive in the workplace.

Hosting an industry placement not only provides early access to the brightest talent entering the market, but it can also help you with recruitment, improve innovation, and increase your organisation's productivity, as well as adding social value to your brand.

Students have a clearly defined project - something that will deliver real value for the business - and they'll be supported in delivering it by college tutors.

You just need to make sure students have a line manager or mentor who can support them to meet their clearly defined learning objectives. This in turn helps existing staff gain management and mentorship skills, both of which are known to increase job satisfaction.

UPSKILLING FOR KRAFT HEINZ ENGINEERS

Engineers from Kraft Heinz joined the College for bespoke training specially designed to meet the needs of their business.

The Kraft Heinz multi-skill programme is for mechanical and electrical engineers, to improve efficiency and increase productivity at their Kitt Green site in Wigan.

Alison Rushton, Vice Principal at the College, said: *“This innovative programme is the result of a close working partnership between the College and Kraft Heinz and forms part of a suite of training solutions.*

“We are delighted to be supporting such an important local employer, developing their workforce skills and providing a talent pipeline of young people for their business.”



The College's Sarah Boyd (far right) and Chris Yates (far left) with Kraft Heinz engineers

The College has made significant investment to support the delivery of Kraft Heinz programmes and to meet food industry standards.

Investment includes a dedicated training room, with electrical maintenance rigs, at the College's Centre of Excellence in Engineering at the Pagefield Centre, as well as the appointment of new staff with extensive expertise in food and drink manufacturing.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

MEET THE EMPLOYER

Promote your apprenticeship and job opportunities to our students and school leavers at this popular event.

- Thursday 19 October 2023 • Monday 22 April 2024

BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Join our growing network of businesses. Gain essential business advice and information from Wigan & Leigh College and Wigan Council.

- Thursday 9 November 2023 • Wednesday 6 March 2024
- Thursday 6 June 2024

EMPLOYER FORUM

Help us to shape our college and meet the needs of industry.

Week commencing 20 November 2023

Week commencing 29 April 2024



JOIN OUR EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMME

- Apprenticeships
- Traineeships
- Adult Retraining Programmes
- Talent Pool
- Events



Recruitment Support

Future Workforce



Social Value

- Work Placements
- Curriculum Development
- Apprenticeships
- Pre-Apprenticeships / Traineeships
- Student Projects
- Guest Speaker
- Industry Masterclasses
- Careers Fairs & Conferences

Employer Partnership Programme

Workforce Investment



- Needs Analysis
- Bespoke Training
- Funding Advice
- FREE Online Learning
- Wellbeing Programmes



- Student Projects
- Guest Speaker
- Industry Masterclasses
- Careers Fairs & Conferences

For more information about how we can help contact Employer Engagement on: 01942 761851 or employerengagement@wigan-leigh.ac.uk

We are opening up our Adult College to families from across the Borough for a taster of what's in store for 2023/24

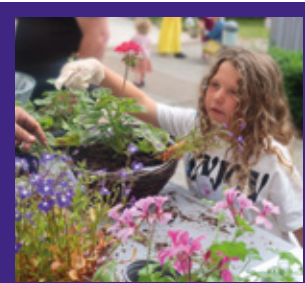
Family Fun Day

WHY NOT DROP IN ON

SATURDAY 24 JUNE

Parsons Walk Centre. 10.30am - 1.30pm
to try out a FREE taster course

- BBQ • Ice Cream • Classic Car Display • Meet a Disney Princess
- Rock Painting • Badge Making • Buried Treasure Hunt • Penalty Shoot Out
- Fitness Challenge • Animal Health Check and Dog Grooming Demonstrations
 - Glitter Tattoos • Clip in Hair Extensions • Market Stalls
- Bird Box and Plant Sale • Scalextric Time Trials • 3D Scanning
 - Floristry Craft • Dough Making and Much, Much More.



ADULT & HIGHER EDUCATION ADVICE & ENROLMENT DATES:
4.00pm - 7.00pm

Centre for Advanced Technical Studies

New Market Street, Wigan WN1 1RP

• Thursday 29 June • Thursday 17 August • Tuesday 5 September

Leigh Adult Learning Centre

Walmesley Road, Leigh WN7 1XL

• Wednesday 28 June • Wednesday 6 September



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