

Foundation Course

Entry Level/Level 1/Level 2
Board: Edexcel

COURSE TITLE

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

GCSE grades D-G or no exams taken

ASSESSMENT STRUCTURE

Coursework and written exam

Level	Subject	Assessment
BTEC Introductory Diploma in Vocational Studies	Health and Social Care OR Business, Retail and Administration OR Sport and Leisure	Coursework
Functional Skills Entry L1, L2	Literacy OR ESOL	Exam for each level
Functional Skills Entry, L1, L2	Numeracy	Exam for each level
Level 1 certificate	Personal & Social Development	Coursework booklets

Course Content:

Health and Social Care

There are five units. The units are:

- Planning a Safe Childcare Environment
- Supporting Childrens' Learning Through Everyday Experiences
- Keeping Active and Healthy

You will need to complete an assignment at the end of every unit, to show your knowledge and understanding.

Business, Retail and Administration

You will study the following topics:

- Organising a Meeting
- Presenting a Business Idea
- Communicating with Customers

You will need to complete an assignment at the end of every unit, to show your knowledge and understanding.

Sport and Active Leisure

You will complete the following units:

- Playing Sport
- Getting People Active
- Exploring Local Visitor Attractions

You will need to complete an assignment at the end of every unit, to show your knowledge and understanding.

Functional Skills - English/ESOL/Maths

You will undertake an initial assessment to identify your needs. You will study in small groups, concentrating on the skills you need to develop.

Personal & Social Development

You will study the following:

- Working Towards Goals
- Working as Part of a Group
- Managing Social Relationships
- Healthy Living
- Managing Own Money
- Understanding Personal Identity

What is the Foundation Course?

The Foundation Course is a flexible, one year course designed to introduce you to vocational studies and to improve your levels of basic skills and life skills.

How will you study?

You will study in small groups under the direction of experienced and well-qualified tutors. You will be expected to work to the best of your ability and to be courteous and supportive to other members of the group. Most of your lessons will be in the well-equipped Foundation base rooms.

What can you do after the course?

Many students progress to a Level 2 course at Xaverian if they reach the required standards. Other students have continued studies or another college, started a training course or found employment.

Can I study other courses?

Because of the flexible nature of the Foundation Course, it may be possible for students to substitute GCSE subjects or Level 2 Functional Skills for one or more of the above courses, e.g., GCSE English instead of Literacy.

Work experience and visits?

You will have the opportunity of doing some work experience linked with your coursework or other career options. Visits to business, sports and health facilities may be arranged during the year. You will also take part in some voluntary projects in the local community.

What our students say:

Former students have said they enjoyed the course and the support they received. They gained confidence to progress to more advanced studies.

Need more information?

Contact Mr M Goff (Foundation Course Co-ordinator)
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Students can take part in a work experience placement. Derek worked at Manchester Student Homes as part of his Foundation Business Course. (below)



Foundation Students hold an annual Fair Trade Event. They invite staff and students to sample Fair Trade products and give information about Fair Trade issues. The students produced information boards and sold Fair Trade products. (above)

