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University Centre  
Programme Guide



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# Hello.



Here at New College Durham, we are proud of our long history of delivering higher education programmes that are designed with you, the student, in mind. We provide high-quality, affordable university degrees and higher national programmes which employers look for, to give you the best start possible in your chosen career.

Higher education can change your life, and studying here at our University Centre will not only allow you to gain a qualification, but it will also open up opportunities and broaden your horizons.

Our staff make our University Centre a unique place to study; lecturers and tutors are approachable, knowledgeable, and experienced in the subjects they teach. We know studying at degree level is challenging; it takes hard work and dedication to succeed, but we will be with you every step of the way.

Multi award-winning New College Durham offers both further and higher education programmes. We have over 50 years of experience in delivering higher education programmes, and have held awarding powers for foundation degrees for over a decade.

With over 50 higher education qualifications including foundation degrees, honours degrees, HNCs, HNDs, higher apprenticeships, higher technical qualifications and professional qualifications, NCD University Centre is the perfect choice for your next steps.

/// **50 years** in offering higher education qualifications

/// **10+ years** in awarding powers for foundation degrees

/// **50+ qualifications** in higher education to choose from



# Our city

**While famous for its historic cathedral and castle, there's so much more to Durham.**

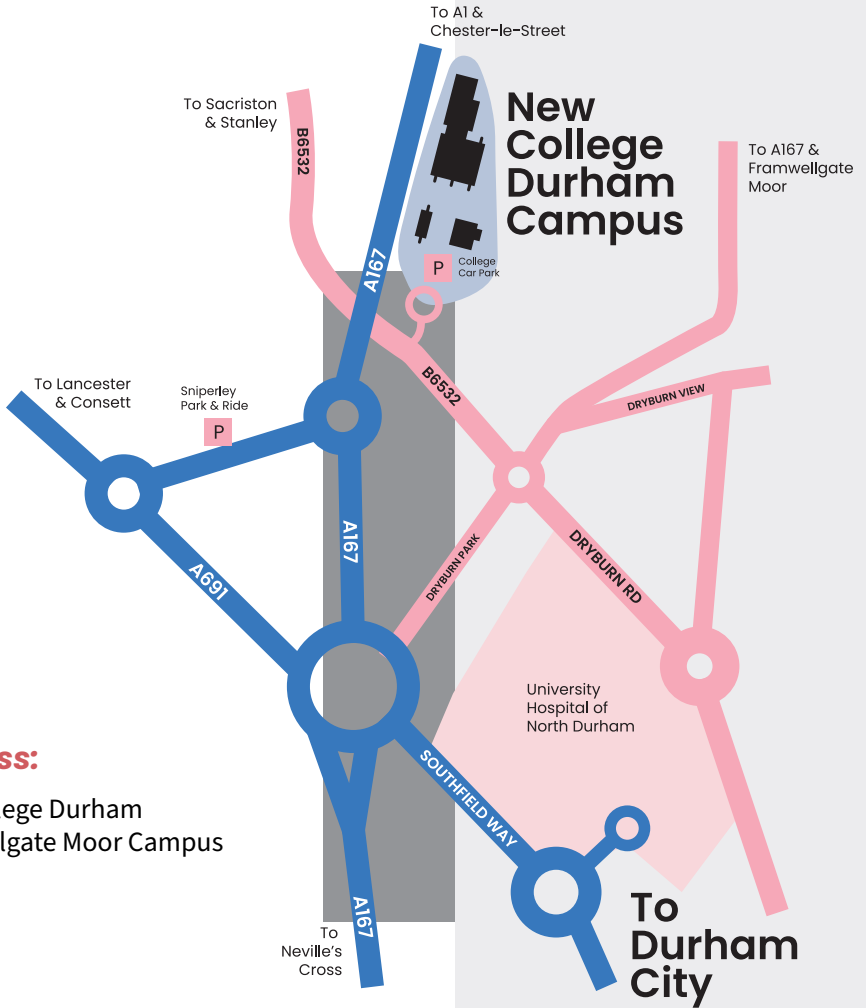
With its superb artisan food and drink scene, first-class attractions, award-winning museums and glorious green spaces, Durham city offers everything you could possibly want - all a stone's throw away from our campus.

Durham city with its magnificent cathedral has been a place of pilgrimage for over a millennium. With its superb artisan food and drink scene, first-class attractions, award-winning museums and glorious green spaces, it's not hard to see why people continue to flock to this is captivating historic city.

Durham has a modern, well-connected transport system that makes travel around the North East easy and reliable. Our University Centre also has free on-site car parking.




# Our campus





**Address:**


New College Durham  
Framwellgate Moor Campus  
Durham  
DH1 5ES


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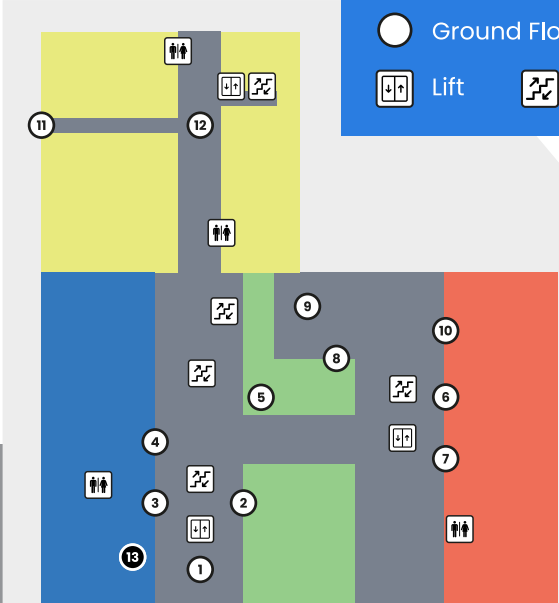
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 First Floor

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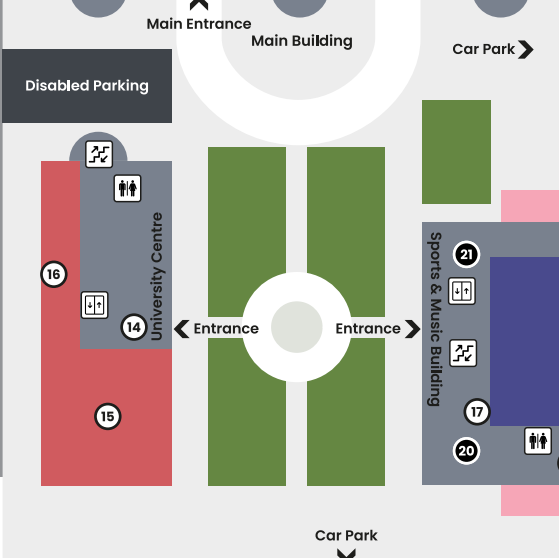
 Stairs

 Toilets



## Main Building

- 1 - Reception
- 2 - Halo Salon
- 3 - ASC
- 4 - Library
- 5 - Learning Support
- 6 - Access Fund
- 7 - Quick Eats
- 8 - Costa
- 9 - Food Court
- 10 - Bistro
- 11 - NE IoT Centre Entrance
- 12 - NE IoT Centre
- 13 - Digital Learning Area



## T.H.E Hub

- 22 - Classrooms

## University Centre

- 14 - Reception
- 15 - HE Study Area
- 16 - Classrooms

## Sports & Music Building

- 17 - Starbucks
- 20 - Music Rooms
- 18 - Students' Union
- 21 - Steps2Fitness
- 19 - Sports Hall

Our University Centre is a dedicated learning and social space, exclusively for students studying a degree or professional qualification.

Our purpose-built University Centre features an open plan social space, dedicated study room, and modern classrooms.

- >> Free wi-fi
- >> Lecture rooms with smart technology
- >> Social space for informal working or a coffee with friends
- >> Open-access computing facilities
- >> Recharge points for phones and laptops

At NCD University Centre, you will receive the same high-quality qualification you would at a traditional university, but we aim to give you a much better experience along the way to make sure you are ready for the world of work.





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# Just where you need us

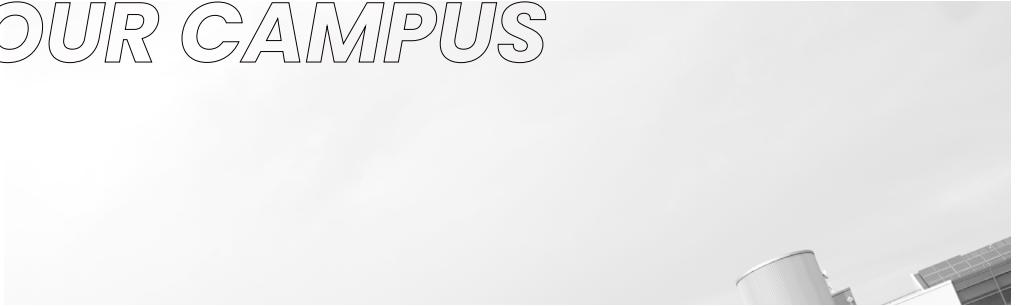
## **We're on your doorstep**

You don't have to go far to get a first-class education. NCD University Centre is a great choice if you don't feel ready to move away yet, or you want to stay close to friends and family. Plus, staying at home is a great way to reduce your living expenses.

## **Feels like home**

Our campus is big enough to have all the facilities you need, yet small enough to feel you belong. You'll love the friendly, supportive, and positive buzz here.

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## Looking to relocate to study at NCD University Centre?

Whether an international student or needing to move closer to campus, we have a team dedicated to helping you find accommodation.



# Why choose us



## Flexibility

Many of our higher education programmes can be studied on a full-time or part-time basis, allowing you to fit your studies around your family and work commitments.

## Smaller classes

Keeping our class sizes small gives you better access to our fantastic lecturers and more opportunities to ask questions, join in discussions, get 1:1 support, and receive feedback on your work. Lectures are held in classrooms to give them a more relaxed feel.



## Programmes tailored to your career

Our job-focused programmes are a fantastically practical alternative to traditional academic studies. Designed to give you the skills employers need, you will be taught by professionals qualified and experienced in their relevant industry, giving you the academic and practical insights you need to succeed.

## Designed around you

- Dedicated University Centre building
- Smaller class sizes
- Highly qualified staff
- Industry standard resources
- Strong employer links
- Students' Union
- High student satisfaction
- Additional learning opportunities
- Library, eBooks & journals
- Sport & gym facilities
- On-site food outlets
- Places to socialise
- Free car parking
- EV charging points

# Day one to graduation: we're here for **you**

## We're here to help

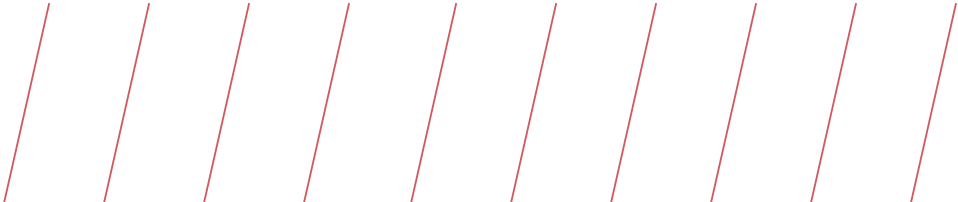
If you feel a little unsure about undertaking a university-level programme, don't worry; we can help. You will have access to an Academic Support Tutor who will help with researching, academic writing, and referencing.

Our ASC (Advice, Support, Careers) team are here to answer questions about careers, finance or wellbeing, and our Personal Learning Coaches can help you organise your studies and keep you on track.





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# Graduation

With NCD University Centre, you'll celebrate your amazing achievements at a formal graduation ceremony held at the stunning Ramside Hall.

You will be celebrated amongst peers, family, friends and your esteemed tutors as we mark the occasion in ceremonious fashion.

Graduation is held in summer once you have successfully completed your programme, meaning it's the perfect opportunity to come together, catch up, don a cap and gown, and make a toast to the future.







# What **our** students say

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**98%**

of students said we're good at explaining things versus 93% sector average.

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**95%**

of students said we make the subject engaging versus 83% sector average.

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**98%**

of students said the programme developed the knowledge and skills needed for their future versus 85% sector average.

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**98%**

of students said assessments allowed them to demonstrate what they've learned versus 85% sector average.

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Data taken from the 2025 National Student Survey results published by the Office for Students

# Alumni



## James

Sales Executive at Aston Martin

“The flexibility of the course meant I was able to work alongside my studies and build the experience needed to get me into the position I’m in today. At NCD, you’re treated as an adult and provided with a tailored, engaging experience which prepares you for the real world.”

## Azaria

Photographer at Azaria Louise

“Tutors at NCD University Centre really care about your passion, and go the extra mile to make sure you gain an in-depth understanding of the industry. The 1-2-1 support was great and really developed me for the world of work.”



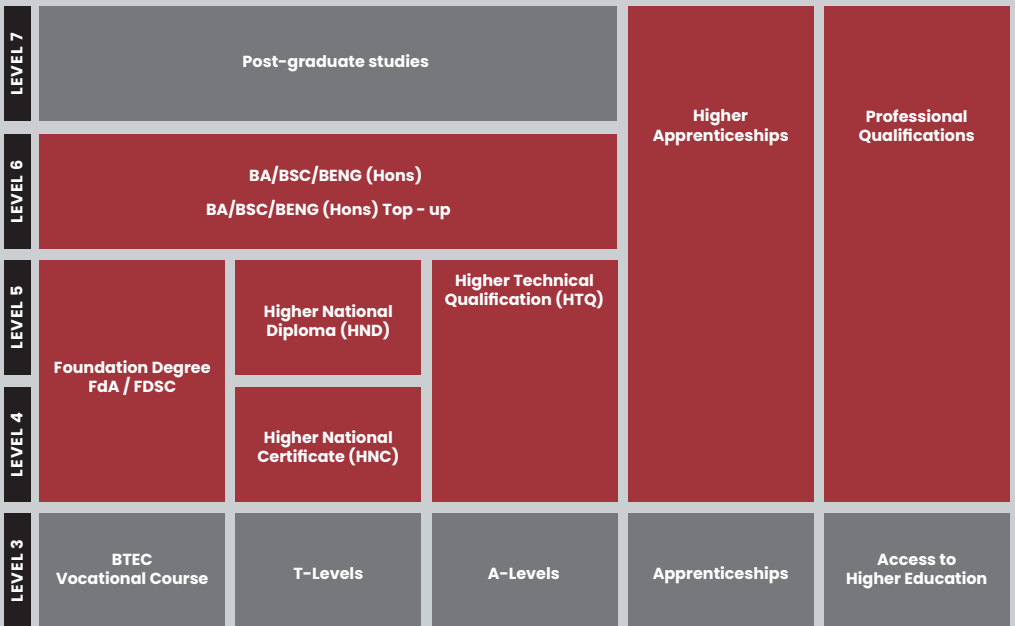
## Tracy

Curriculum Manager at NCD University Centre

“After studying at NCD, I spent 24 years working in the NHS, developing my skills by working in a range of areas in podiatry. I’ve always had a passion to teach, and returning to NCD meant I was able to pass my expertise onto the next generation of podiatrists.”

# Types of qualification

There are a wide range of qualification types offered by awarding bodies. Qualifications range in size and type, can be academic, vocational, or skills related. Many of our programmes are developed with employers and aim to give our students the best possible start in the world of employment.



## Qualifications Explained

### **Honours degrees**

A degree gives you a thorough understanding of one or more subjects within a specific field. You can use your degree to move into employment or a postgraduate course.

### **Foundation degrees**

A combination of technical skills and academic study, foundation degrees typically last two years when studied full-time, and often have the option of topping up to an honour's degree.

### **Top-up degree**

A top-up course is ideal if you have completed a relevant foundation degree or HND and wish to gain a full honours degree.

### **Professional qualifications**

Professional qualifications are training courses which relate to a specific industry or career path, designed to equip you with the skills needed for your current or desired role.

### **Higher National Certificate/ Diploma (HNC/HND)**

These are work-related, practical qualifications designed to help you enter your chosen field, or progress in your current role. A HNC takes one full-time academic year and is a level 4 qualification, whereas a HND takes two years full-time and sits at level 5.

### **Higher apprenticeships**

These apprenticeships give you the chance to gain practical work experience whilst studying a university-level qualification.

### **Higher Technical Qualifications**

These courses have been developed by awarding bodies in collaboration with employers to ensure you receive high-quality training to prepare you for the world of work.

# Our programmes



Here at NCD, you'll discover a wide range of subjects and pathways designed to help you find your dream career. Learn from tutors with both academic and industry experience. Gain hands-on experience through placements and immerse yourself in vibrant student life.

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## Accounting

- **Level 4** Diploma in Professional Accounting (AAT) Part Time (HTQ)
- **Level 4** Higher Apprenticeship Professional Accounting or Tax Technician (AAT) - Part Time

## Business & Management

- **FdA** Business with Management – Full Time/Part Time/Blended\*
- **FdA** Business Administration - Full Time
- **FdA** Business with Travel and Tourism Full Time/Blended\*
- **FdA** Business with Digital Marketing Full Time/Blended\*
- **FdA** Business with HRM Full Time/Blended
- **Level 6** Degree Apprenticeship Chartered Manager (CMI) - Part Time
- **BA (Hons)** Management (Top-up) - Full Time / Part Time
- **Level 7** Strategic Leadership and Management (CMI) Part Time

## Computing & IT

- **FdSc** Cyber Security with Networking – Full Time/Part Time
- **FdSc** Games Development – Full Time / Part Time\*
- **FdSc** AI and Data Analytics – Full Time / Part Time\*
- **Level 4** Higher Apprenticeship Cyber Security Technologist - Part Time
- **Level 4** Higher Apprenticeship Data Analyst - Part Time
- **BSc (Hons)** Cyber Security (Top-up) - Full Time/ Part -Time

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For more information or to apply visit  
[www.newcollegedurham.ac.uk/university-centre](http://www.newcollegedurham.ac.uk/university-centre)

## Construction & Civil Engineering

- **HNC** Civil Engineering - Part Time
- **HNC** Civil Engineering for England (HTQ) – Part Time
- **HNC** Construction Management for England (HTQ) – Part Time
- **HND** Construction Management for England (HTQ)
- **HND** Civil Engineering for England (HTQ) – Part time
- **Level 4** Construction Design and Build (Construction Management) Apprenticeship
- **Level 4** Construction Quantity Surveying Technician Apprenticeship
- **Level 4** Construction Site Supervisor Apprenticeship
- **Level 4** Senior Civil Engineering Technician Apprenticeship

## Counselling

- **FdA** Integrative Counselling - Full Time
- **BA (Hons)** Counselling Studies (Top-up) - Full Time / Part Time

## Early Years & Education

- **FdA** Early Childhood Studies (0-8 years) - Full Time
- **BA (Hons)** Early Childhood Studies (Top-up) - Full Time

## Engineering

- **FdEng** Maintenance Engineering - Part Time
- **HNC** Electrical/Electronic Engineering - Part Time
- **HNC** Mechanical Engineering - Part Time
- **Level 4** Higher Apprenticeship Mechanical Engineering Manufacturing Technician - Part Time

## Graphic Design

- **FdA** Graphic Design - Full Time
- **FdA** Visual Arts - Full Time
- **BA (Hons)** Design (Top-up) - Full Time
- **BA (Hons)** Visual Arts (Top-up) - Full Time

## Health & Social Care

- **FdSc** Leadership Principles in Health and Social Care (HTQ) - Full Time
- **BSc (Hons)** Health & Social Care (Top-up) - Full Time

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**Already applied somewhere else through UCAS?**  
No problem, you can add us to your application.

## Our programmes

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### Health Education

- **FdSc** Healthcare Practice (HTQ) - Full Time

### Hospitality

- **Level 4** Certificate in HE Hospitality Management – Part Time

### Housing

- **FdA** Housing and Communities - Part Time
- **Level 4** Cert HE Managing Housing Maintenance - Part Time
- **Level 4** Cert HE Housing (HTQ) - Part Time
- **Level 4** Senior Apprenticeship Housing/Property Management (CIH) - Part Time

### Human Resources

- **Level 5** Associate Diploma in People Management (CIPD) - Part Time
- **Level 5** Higher Apprenticeship People Professional (CIPD) - Part Time
- **Level 7** Advanced Diploma in Strategic People Management (CIPD) - Part Time
- **Level 7** Masters Apprenticeship Senior People Professional (CIPD) - Part Time

### Media

- **FdA** Film & Media Production - Full Time
- **BA (Hons)** Film and Media Enterprise (Top-up) - Full Time

### Music

- **FdA** Roots and Popular Music - Full Time
- **BA (Hons)** Popular Music – Full Time

### Performing Arts

- **FdA** Dance Performance - Full Time
- **FdA** Performance Practice - Full Time

### Podiatry

- **Level 6** Prescription only medicine Sale and supply module - Part Time
- **BSc (Hons)** Podiatry - Full Time

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## Social Work

- **BA (Hons)** Social Work - Full Time

## Sports

- **FdSc** Sports Coaching and Development - Full Time
- **BSc (Hons)** Sport, Exercise and Health (Top-up) - Full Time

## Travel & Tourism

- **FdA** Business with Travel & Tourism – Full Time/Blended

## Uniformed Services

- **FdA** Policing the Community and Criminology - Full Time
- **BA (Hons)** Policing Level 6 Top Up – Full Time\*



We pride ourselves on being able to offer a range of university-level programmes to students from varied backgrounds and circumstances without prior performance being a barrier, meaning we provide opportunities for as many as possible, while delivering high-quality degree programmes.

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# Getting you work-ready

At New College Durham, we take an innovative approach to ensure that the skills gaps identified by employers are addressed and filled.

Working closely with industry experts, we design and deliver nationally recognised programmes across a wide variety of subjects, meaning

you benefit from our links with hundreds of employers.

Our culture of continuously seeking ways to prepare our students with the knowledge, skills, and behaviours they need to succeed means we give them the best possible opportunity to enter skilled employment.



# Industry partners



# Fees & funding

Funding is always a worry, but help is available.

You may be eligible for a student loan to help pay for tuition fees and even help with living costs. You'll only repay your loan when your income is over a certain threshold, and the size of the monthly repayments will depend on how much you earn - not what you owe.

The latest information regarding student finance can be found at [www.gov.uk/student-finance](http://www.gov.uk/student-finance)

To discuss funding your place at NCD University Centre, contact our Advice, Support, Careers Team at [asc@newdur.ac.uk](mailto:asc@newdur.ac.uk)



# Applying

**The programme for you is here**

[www.newcollegedurham.ac.uk/university-centre](http://www.newcollegedurham.ac.uk/university-centre)

**Need help deciding the right programme for you?**

Contact our Advice, Support and Careers team at [asc@newdur.ac.uk](mailto:asc@newdur.ac.uk) or call (0191) 375 4400.

**Want to ask us a question?**

Scan the QR code to contact our team via WhatsApp.





**LET'S GET YOU THERE**

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