

Course Guide

**Bishop
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College**

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0800 092 6506

www.bishopaucklandcollege.ac.uk

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Fee Information

AGED 16 TO 18

If you are aged between 16 and 18 years of age on 31st August 2016 and studying full time, your course will be fully funded and is therefore free.

This course guide includes information on courses starting September 2016. For further details visit: www.bishopaucklandcollege.ac.uk

ADULT LEARNERS

This course guide includes information on courses starting September 2016. For further details visit: www.bishopaucklandcollege.ac.uk

You may be entitled to fee remission if:

- You are aged over 19 and studying a full time course up to and including Level 2
- You are aged 19–23 and meet one of the below:

Studying a full time course up to and including Level 3

Do not have a Level 2 or Level 3 qualification

Taking an Entry Level or Level 1 to progress to Level 2 qualification

Taking your first Level 4 without a Level 3 qualification

You are studying maths and English courses

You are in receipt of Employment Support Allowance (Work Related Activity Group) or Job Seekers Allowance*

You are in receipt of benefits and doing a course that could lead to employment**

You have left the British Armed Forces and are studying a first full Level 3 qualification**

You may also be entitled to help with your course fees through the College Learner Support Funds.**

You may be required to participate in an interview and initial assessment when applying for a part-time course. If you have a disability or learning difficulties please don't be afraid to tell us, we have fantastic support on offer.

ADVANCED LEARNING LOANS

If you are aged 19 – 23 and studying at level 3 and do not already hold a qualification at level 3 or above, then your course will be fully funded and is therefore free.

If you are aged 19 –23 already hold a qualification at level 3 or above and are studying at level 3 or above then you are able to apply for an Advanced Learning Loan to fund your course.

If you are aged 24+ and are studying at level 3 or above then you are able to apply for an Advanced Learning Loan to fund your course.

You don't pay anything back if your loan is for the Access to Higher Education course and you progress to and complete Higher Education study.

More information can be found at: www.gov.uk/advanced-learning-loans

HIGHER EDUCATION LOANS

Higher National and Foundation Degree students at Bishop Auckland College can qualify for a Student Loan to cover the full cost of their tuition fees in the same way as degree students at university. More information can be found at: www.gov.uk/student-finance

Foundation Degrees & PGCE courses are validated by our strategic partner the University of Sunderland.

For information on any of the above, or to arrange a fee assessment contact Student Services on 01388 443 000 and speak to one of our advisers or email: start@bacoll.ac.uk

* Partners are included if joint claim.

** Conditions apply.

Access to Higher Education

Bishop Auckland College has an excellent reputation for providing Access to Higher Education courses. Our Access courses have been specifically designed for those individuals over 19 years old who want to go to university but don't have the formal qualifications to get there.

ONE Awards Access to HE Diploma - Humanities/Social Science L3

ONE Awards Access to HE Diploma - Health Science L3

Access to HE - Sport Studies

For more information on Access to Higher Education courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/access-to-higher-education



We run a range of Advice & Guidance courses, from introductory programmes right up to Level 6 professional qualifications aimed at practitioners who work directly with clients.

NOCN Certificate in Information Advice and Guidance L2

OCR NVQ Certificate in Advice & Guidance L3

OCR Diploma in Career Guidance and Development L6

For more information on advice and guidance courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/advice-and-guidance



INSPIRATIONAL TUTOR PICKS UP AWARD

Access to HE Diploma tutor Debbie Rewcastle picked up the Learner's Choice Award from One Awards in June after being nominated by four of her students.

This is what Sabrina Chambers, Nikki Richardson, Ashley Seymour and Helen Willey had to say about her: "Not only has Debbie been the most inspirational teacher and support giver, she has encouraged and enabled me to secure a place at university to study midwifery; an achievement I never thought would be possible."

"Debbie has also been a fantastic mentor throughout the course; she has always believed I could achieve my goal and that has encouraged me to move forward, even with the odds stacked against me. The influence Debbie has had on my learning journey has changed my life."

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"Debbie is the most amazingly dedicated tutor, committed to helping every student in all aspects of their lives. She's been an inspiration to us all!"

"Debbie is always there when I have problems and her door is always open."

"She is caring, compassionate and hard working. Debbie Rewcastle wholeheartedly deserves the Learner's Choice award for all the hard work she does in college for all the students. She is so special."

"Before I began studying Access to Higher Education I was very doubtful of my goal being achievable, I was intimidated by education; now I feel confident in myself and my abilities thanks to the kind and thoughtful input from the best teacher, mentor and facilitator I've ever known – Debbie Rewcastle."

Debbie Rewcastle receiving her award from Louise Morrirt and David Hall from One Awards.

Apprenti

Apprenticeships are practical, hands-on programmes designed to provide you with relevant training, which will enable you to progress within your chosen industry.

Apprentices start at Level 2 unless you have suitable knowledge and experience in your chosen field.

Typically you will work with an employer four days per week and spend one day per week training at the college or in your workplace, working towards your qualification. Bishop Auckland College also offers Traineeships and Higher Apprenticeships.

For more information on Apprenticeships visit:

bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/apprenticeships

AWARD WINNING APPRENTICES EMBARK ON EXCITING NEW CAREERS

Our award winning apprentices have been representing the college at high profile ceremonies while embarking on exciting new careers in industry.

GET THE SKILLS, GET THE JOB

The college offers apprenticeships in all the following industries and specialisms:

Barbering
 Bricklaying
 Beauty Therapy
 Business Improvement Techniques
 Business Administration
 Children & Young People's Workforce
 Customer Service
 Cleaning and Support Skills
 Catering
 Decorative Finishing & Industrial Painting
 Occupational (Construction)
 Early Years Workforce
 Engineering* (Mechanical, Electrical, Fabrication & Welding and Tool making)

Health & Social Care
 Hairdressing
 Housing
 Management
 Maintenance Operations
 Motor Vehicle - Maintenance (NEW)
 Outdoor Instructing
 Performing Manufacturing Operations
 Plumbing*
 Supporting PE in Schools
 Social Media and Digital Marketing
 Team Leading
 Wood Occupations

* Courses taking place at S.W. Durham Training

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Helen Carr was named North-East winner for the VQ Learner of the Year Award in recognition of her outstanding work while studying for a vocational business qualification.

Helen began studying for a Business Administration qualification at the college with no office experience - but soon impressed tutors and colleagues with her hard work and professionalism.

This resulted in her securing an apprenticeship with international blue-chip employer Thorn Lighting and allowed her to progress on to

a Level 4 apprenticeship at the age of just 18.

Helen attended a ceremony in Westminster where she was presented with her award by Government Minister Matthew Hancock MP.

She said: "Completing a vocational qualification has given me the skills and drive to pursue my career and I'm delighted that this nomination has recognised my hard work. There are so many different training opportunities to choose from and I would highly recommend vocational learning to others."

Maintenance Operations Apprentice Sam Scott, who works for social housing provider livin, is another award winner. He said: "I won North East Intermediate Apprentice of the Year! I was given a great opportunity at livin Futures.

"I have thoroughly enjoyed my apprenticeship and have worked alongside some great people. I would recommend an apprenticeship at Bishop Auckland College."

Helen with her award and Jan Hodges, CEO of the Edge Foundation.



COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP LEADS TO AUCKLAND CASTLE APPRENTICESHIP



Alicia Simpson with Auckland Castle HR Director Rebecca Coates

Alicia Simpson could not have joined Auckland Castle at a more exciting time.

The 18-year-old, from Bishop Auckland, has been taken on as one of the historic landmark's first ever apprentices just as redevelopment work begins as part of a major Heritage Lottery Fund grant scheme.

The castle is working in partnership with Bishop Auckland College to identify and train the staff it needs to become a major visitor destination.

HR Director Rebecca Coates said: "The partnership between the castle and the college is growing and Alicia is the first of four apprentices we have recruited recently in business administration, catering and hospitality, customer service and finance. Alicia stood out immediately; she had a great personality and is very pleasant and outgoing - just what we were looking for.

"Last year we had 30,000 visitors to the castle and we are gearing ourselves up for over 120,000 in 2018. The castle currently employs around 55 people and we have plans to add further apprentices to the team in the near future. Our mission is for Auckland Castle to become a key visitor attraction and destination that will put Bishop Auckland firmly and proudly on the tourist map."

Former Bishop Barrington school pupil Alicia had contacted the college about apprenticeship opportunities after work in promotions for music festivals and at a call centre. She said: "It is a privilege to work for Auckland Castle; I am really excited about the future. I feel I have not just a job but a career for life."

For further details on apprenticeships at Bishop Auckland College, email your CV to apprenticeships@bacoll.ac.uk or contact (01388) 825830.

Art and design

HND Art and Design (Level 5) students Lydia LeBrun, Mel Connell, Aaron Jackson, Shelly Jeffrey and Savannah Tiffin have graduated with flying colours.

Their 'End of Year Show' was kindly sponsored by the Northern Echo and featured sculpture, oil and acrylic paintings, self-portraits study and photography.

Four of the five students are progressing to study their final top-up year and BA Honours Degree in Art and Design at the University of Teesside.



Pictured (l to r) in the HND Studio Savannah, Aaron and Mel

If you have a creative spark and want to express your flair, individuality and style to the world, then we can help develop your skills for a career in Art & Design.

We offer a range of part-time and full-time courses starting from Level 2 with progression up to HND Level.

Many of our Level 3 students choose to progress to Higher Education at Bishop Auckland College or go on to university.

Diploma in Art & Design L2

Edexcel Extended Diploma in Art & Design L3

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in Art & Design L3

Pearson BTEC HND in Art and Design L5

Diploma in Photography L1

Diploma in Photography L2

90 Credit Diploma in Photography L3

Extended Diploma in Photography L3

Introduction to Floristry (Community Learning)

Creative Flower Arranging (Community Learning)

NCFE Cert in Creative Craft L3 - Floristry

For more information on art and design courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/art-and-design

Business, retail and tourism

The world of business is becoming more and more competitive and businesses need skilled workers more than ever before. Our Business & Administration courses start at Level 1 and go right up to Foundation Degree and HND level, giving you the essential skills you need to become qualified and gain experience.



TRAINING PROVIDER PARTNERSHIP CELEBRATES FIRST JOBS SUCCESS

Two of our business administration students became the first beneficiaries of the college's new partnership with South West Durham Training.

In August last year, Bishop Auckland College and South West Durham Training announced they were joining forces to increase the provision of high quality training for the engineering and manufacturing sectors to meet emerging regional labour market demands.

The partnership's first jobs success saw students Fern Archer and Calvin Wilson taken on as apprentices by SWDT. Fern, 18, and Calvin, 19, both of Newton Aycliffe, work in SWDT's offices four days per week, with one day spent at the college working on their Level 3 qualification.

Calvin, who previously achieved four A levels, said: "I decided to pursue an apprenticeship as opposed to university as it offered me the chance to gain both work experience and a qualification which can open up opportunities in many of areas of work."



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RYAN COMES BACK FOR FOURTH YEAR AFTER ENJOYING 'BRILLIANT COURSE'

Ryan Metcalf is heading into his fourth year at Bishop Auckland College as he starts his HND in Business Management.

The former Ferryhill Business and Enterprise College student has already passed the L2 and L3 Diplomas in Business, and is embarking on higher education as he decides whether to move directly into the business world or teacher training.

Ryan, 20, from Darlington, says that during his three years he has learned about the importance to a business of marketing, contracts and law as well as customer service.

"I used to just know the basics, and now I've learned a lot more about how these help a business – it's not just about serving customers."

And his verdict on the business diploma?

"I'd recommend it – I think it's a brilliant course, really good."

For more information on business courses visit:

bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/business-and-enterprise

Taste for Business L1

OCR Diploma in Business L2

CG NVQ Diploma in Business & Administration L2

NCFE Certificate in Team Leading L2

Edexcel Extended Diploma in Business L3

CG NVQ Diploma in Business & Administration L3

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in Business L3

CG NVQ Diploma in Business & Administration L4

Pearson BTEC HND in Business L5

Travel and Tourism L1

Retail L1

Business Administration Apprenticeship

Business Improvement Techniques Apprenticeship

Customer Service Apprenticeship

Housing Apprenticeship

Management Apprenticeship

Social Media and Digital Marketing Apprenticeship

Team Leading Apprenticeship

Catering and hospitality

Catering and hospitality is an exciting and sociable industry with career opportunities in hotels, restaurants, nightclubs and bars.

Our students work to industry standards developing their skills in our fully equipped training kitchen and gain experience of real working environments in the college's own Ambition restaurant.

CG Certificate in Culinary Skills L1

CG NVQ Diploma in Professional Cookery L2

CG NVQ Diploma in Hospitality Services L2

CG NVQ Diploma in Professional Cookery L3 - Preparation & Cooking

CG Diploma in Advanced Professional Cookery (Kitchen & Larder) L3

CG NVQ Diploma in Professional Cookery L3

Catering Apprenticeship



AMBITION RESTAURANT

With a great choice of themed nights and mouth-watering menus, the college's Ambition restaurant is sure to set your taste buds tingling.

During term time Ambition is open Thursday evenings from 6pm to 9pm, with three course menus from just £12.95. Booking is essential; for more information visit bacoll.ac.uk/ambition-restaurant or call (01388) 743 184.

For more information on catering and hospitality courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/catering-and-hospitality



CATERING STUDENTS COOK FOR BISHOP AUCKLAND FOOD FESTIVAL WITH THE URBAN RAJAH

Catering and hospitality students who cooked for Bishop Auckland Food Festival in April worked on recipes at the college's new state-of-the-art kitchen with chef Ivor Peters.

Ivor, aka the Urban Rajah, was executive chef at the Great Indian Feast - a pop-up restaurant in the grounds of Auckland Castle. He worked with students from the college to create a range of Asian recipes.

The annual festival, organised by Durham County Council in partnership with the Auckland Castle Trust and Bishop Auckland Town Council, showcases the best in home-grown and handmade produce from County Durham and the wider region.

Last year the college invested more than £200,000 in a bespoke kitchen imported from South-East Asian commercial catering equipment giant Nayati, designed to prepare the next generation of chefs for life in the industry.

It was built and installed to top industry standard, including four island suites, conventional electric ovens and gas solid tops, under counter commercial refrigeration and a retractable acoustic wall enabling the training kitchen to be divided in two.

Childcare and

Careers in childcare can be extremely rewarding and diverse. Opportunities include working as a nanny, pre-school leader or childcare practitioner in schools or nurseries. With courses starting at Entry Level and going right up to Foundation Degree we will help you develop your skills, whichever career path you choose.



JAMIE PROGRESSES ONTO SOCIAL WORK DEGREE

Jamie Curry is moving on to Manchester Metropolitan University to do a BA honours degree in Social Work after completing his Level 3 Extended Diploma in Childcare.

Jamie, 17, a former student at Greenfield Academy in Newton Aycliffe, said: "I came to the college as I had heard good reviews about it and also had a friend who had been here and also gave me positive feedback.

"I have really enjoyed my time at Bishop Auckland College, along with the course and have made some good friends."

COLLEGE NURSERY GRADED 'OUTSTANDING' BY OFSTED

Bishop Auckland College nursery was graded 'outstanding' by Ofsted after an unannounced inspection.

Ofsted found that the quality of provision in meeting the needs of children, its contribution to their wellbeing, and the effectiveness of the leadership and management were all assessed to be at the highest grade of 1.

The inspection report, published in March 2014, said: "The pursuit of excellence is demonstrated by an uncompromising and successful drive to strongly improve the highest levels of achievement for all children."



Ofsted figures show only 10 per cent of registered early years providers in the North-East and 12 per cent nationally received an outstanding grade.

The nursery, which has 27 staff and teaches 144 children aged up to four years, is open from 8am to 5.30pm from Monday to Friday.

For more information visit:

bacoll.ac.uk/college-nursery
or email donna.egglesstone@bacoll.ac.uk
or call (01388) 443123.

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BACK TO SCHOOL FOR HARRIET

Harriet Race has secured a full time job as a nursery assistant at Frosterley Primary School after successfully completing her Level 3 Extended Diploma in Childcare.

The 18-year-old from Westgate in Weardale hopes to become a school teacher and starts an evening Foundation Degree at Bishop Auckland College in September on route to her goal of gaining a full honours degree in teaching.

Harriet said: "I came to Bishop Auckland College as it had really good reviews and friends had recommended it to me. It was also close to home for me. I have really enjoyed my time here."

CACHE Diploma in Caring for Children L1

CACHE Certificate in an Introduction to Early Years Education & Care L2

CACHE Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning in Schools L2

CACHE Certificate in an Introduction to Early Years Education & Care L2

CACHE Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning in Schools L3

BTEC National Subsidiary Certificate in Children's Play Learning & Development L3

CACHE Diploma in Early Years Education & Care L3

CACHE Diploma in Specialist Support for Teaching in Schools L3

UoS Foundation Degree in Education & Care

Children and Young People's Workforce Apprenticeship

Early Years Workforce Apprenticeship

For more information on childcare courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/childcare



Computing & IT

Computers are now used by almost everyone and every organisation. Whether you want to master programming or digital applications, our courses prepare you for the many careers in this booming sector and our workshops provide you with the very latest cutting edge and industry-standard equipment.

You can also learn how to maintain and upgrade a PC and move on to courses that look at Programming, Networking, Multimedia and Web Design.

We offer a range of computing and IT courses second to none, part-time from broad based introductory to ITQ to full-time courses from level 1 to HND programmes with a key focus on modern web/software development, networking and IT technologies.

Basic Computing Skills

Edexcel BTEC Diploma for IT Users
L1 - Dual Award IT/Business

ONE Awards Certificate in IT User
Skills L1

OCR Diploma in IT (Creative) L2

The Digital Office L2

ONE Awards Certificate in IT User
Skills L2

Edexcel Diploma in IT L3

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in IT L3

Edexcel Extended Diploma in IT L3

Social Media and Digital Marketing
Apprenticeship

For more information on IT courses visit:

bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/computing-and-it

Counselling

Whether you are just entering the world of counselling or are already a practitioner, we have a course to suit you. Introductory courses start at Level 1 and progress right up to Foundation Degree Level.

JOINING COLLEGE BEST THING I'VE EVER DONE

Suffering the trauma of a stillbirth set Denise Johnson on a path which has ultimately led to her planning a new career as a professional counsellor.



Denise had counselling herself after losing her baby 20 years ago and later became a volunteer with the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death charity Sands.

And after getting back into education after many years she has completed Levels 1, 2 and 3 in Counselling and is now in the second year of a Foundation Degree.

Denise said: "It's the best thing I've ever done. It's made me realise I was stronger than I thought I was. I'm resilient and I can do things."

Introduction to Counselling

NCFE Certificate in Counselling Skills L2

NCFE Diploma in Counselling Skills L3

UoS Foundation Degree in Counselling L5

BACK TO THE CLASSROOM FOR SCHOOL MANAGER DONNA

The desire to help children while pursuing professional development spurred Donna Heslop to go back to the classroom herself.



For Donna, director of partnerships at Parkside School in Wellington, has just completed her Level 3 qualification and starts her Foundation Degree in Counselling in September.

She plans to become a school counsellor, and says she is passionate about helping young people with problems.

Praising the college's counselling course, she said: "The enthusiasm from tutors is second to none. Learning should be fun – and it has been."

For more information on counselling courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/counselling

Construction

Construction is the UK's biggest industry, with two million people working in over 700 diverse careers. We offer a range of courses from getting evening classes getting started with DIY and plastering to full-time Level 3 courses in Brickwork, Carpentry & Joinery, Electrical Installation, Painting & Decorating and Plumbing.

COLLEGE PIONEERS EFFORTS TO ATTRACT WOMEN INTO CONSTRUCTION

Bishop Auckland College is pioneering efforts to attract more women into the construction and engineering industries.

Earlier this year it became the first college in the country to become a member of the National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC) - a global organisation with 6,000 members which has provided a support network to women working in the construction industry since its launch 60 years ago.

NAWIC is supporting the college at internal and external events via its extensive industry connections and female students will also automatically be given membership of NAWIC on completing their first year on construction courses.

NAWIC's UK National Chair Siobhan McMahon, a Durham based chartered architect, said: "Construction is a growing industry and women make a major contribution to it - but there are just not enough of us.

"There are so many opportunities now and women are enjoying really good, successful careers. We just need to raise awareness, and this new partnership between NAWIC and Bishop Auckland College aims to achieve that."

Develop your DIY Skills

CG Diploma in
Bricklaying L1

Become a Basic Plasterer

CG Diploma in
Carpentry & Joinery L1

Construction & the
Built Environment L1

CG Diploma in Painting
& Decorating L2

Diploma in Site
Carpentry L2

CG Diploma in
Bricklaying L2

Construction & the Built
Environment L2

CG Diploma in Painting &
Decorating L3

CG Diploma in
Bricklaying L3

CG Diploma in Site
Carpentry L3

Construction & the
Built Environment L3

CG Diploma in Plumbing
Studies L1

CG Diploma in Plumbing
Studies L2

CG Diploma in Plumbing
Studies L3

Bricklaying Apprenticeship

Decorative Finishing
& Industrial Painting
Occupational
Apprenticeship

Maintenance Operations
Apprenticeship

Plumbing Apprenticeship

Wood Occupations
Apprenticeship

For more information on construction courses visit:

bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/construction

PAIGE FOLLOWS IN HER GRANDDAD'S FOOTSTEPS

Paige Newell is following in the footsteps of her grandfather and great-grandfather, training as a painter and decorator.

Joining the college straight from Whitworth Park School, Spennymoor, last September, the 17-year-old has since completed her Level 1 in P&D and is due to start her Level 2 course in September 2015 whilst seeking an apprenticeship.

Paige, who chose the college after being given positive feedback by her two older brothers and older sister who are former students, praised the supportive staff, said it was a relaxed place to learn and that she had made new friends here.

She hopes to eventually own her own painting and decorating business.



Engineering

The announcement of a new partnership between Bishop Auckland College and South West Durham Training last August was one of many highlights in a very good year for the Newton Aycliffe training centre.

It was followed by the publication of an Ofsted inspection report last summer which found SWDT to be one of the highest performing engineering training providers in the country - the first member of the Group Training Association of England ever to have received an "outstanding" grade across all areas.

More good news came with the deal with Hitachi Rail Europe to teach some of its future train-builders. Hitachi is investing £1m in a prototype train being installed at SWDT's premises, where around 70 staff will be based as part of the deal until its £82m facility in Aycliffe opens later this year.

SWDT is now a subsidiary of Bishop Auckland College and the partnership is developing collaborative 14-16 programmes, full-time vocational 16-19 pathways to Level 3, and part-time adult programmes and workplace learning.

In addition there will be new traineeships and apprenticeships, adult pre-employment training and Higher Education programmes.



BAC and SWDT joined forces earlier this year to support a new Apprenticeship campaign for the North East named 'Greater Together... It Takes Two', part of a national campaign.

CCNSG Passport Scheme

17th Edition Wiring Regulations

Electrical Maintenance

Electrical Safety

Forklift

Hydraulics

Welding Procedures...and many more.

Business Improvement Techniques Apprenticeship

Engineering Apprenticeship (Mechanical, Electrical, Fabrication, Welding and Tool Making)

Performing Manufacturing Operations Apprenticeship



For further details contact **SWDT (01325) 313194** www.swdt.co.uk

S.W. Durham Training Ltd

Durham Way South, Aycliffe Business Park, Newton Aycliffe, County Durham, DL5 6AT

SUPPORTING NATIONAL WOMEN IN ENGINEERING DAY

The college's engineering partner, South West Durham Training, supported National Women in Engineering Day in June – a day dedicated to raising the profile and celebrating the achievements of women in engineering.

We shot videos of current and former female students now pursuing successful careers in engineering for the national Women in Engineering campaign. The role models included Amy Lyons and Alexandra Forma.



**Amy Lyons - product manager,
Seaward Group**

Amy Lyons, who completed her NVQ L3 in Engineering Systems at SWDT, is now an applications engineer at Peterlee-based Seaward Group, which manufactures electrical test equipment, leading the test and measurement section.

"I would definitely recommend engineering as a career path and I would also recommend SWDT as a place to do your apprenticeship. Whilst at SWDT I learned a lot of different skills, such as technical drawing, PAT testing and welding.

"My advice to any females wanting to get into engineering is to never give up on what you want to achieve. Many people told me I would never make it in a predominantly male environment but I just used this to spur me on, to give me the determination to get me where I am today."



**Alexandra Forma - apprentice electrician,
Air Handling Systems**

Alexandra Forma is an apprentice electrician at Shildon-based Air Handling Systems, specialists in the design and implementation of bespoke air handling equipment for the building, pharmaceutical and automotive industries.

"I would recommend SWDT to anyone who wants to do engineering. They have supported me along the way and they have a good balance of the practical and the theory side.

"Being female in a mainly male industry doesn't faze me. If anything, it's made me more determined to want to be more successful. If you are female and it's something you are interested in then there are a lot of opportunities out there so it is something you should look into."

Hairdressing &

Hairdressing is an exciting and rewarding area to find employment. Once qualified, there are many opportunities including teaching, training or setting up your own business. Study in our purpose-built salons and use professional products and industry standard equipment throughout your training to give you the best start.



NATALIE PLANS NEW CAREER AS FREELANCE HAIRDRESSER

Having just qualified from her Level 3 Hairdressing course with a merit, Natalie McCain is now planning her new career as a freelance stylist.

The former Sunnysdale Comprehensive School pupil joined the college in 2012 as a Level 1 hairdressing student before progressing on to L2 then L3.

Talented Natalie, 19, from Shildon, who came third in the national finals of the Association of Hairdressers and Therapists Awards in Blackpool in March, works part-time at her local salon Dollheads.

She said: "I found the tutors easy to get along with, and felt quite close to some staff who were very encouraging. I also found it a friendly atmosphere to train/work in."

CG Diploma in an Introduction to the Hair and Beauty Industry Level 1

CG NVQ Diploma in Hair and Beauty L1

CG NVQ Diploma in Hairdressing L1

CG Diploma in Barbering L2

CG Diploma in Women's Hairdressing L2

CG Diploma in Hairdressing for Colour Technicians L3

CG Diploma in Barbering L3

Barbering Apprenticeship

Hairdressing Apprenticeship

For more information on hairdressing courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/hairdressing

beauty therapy

There are many exciting and creative opportunities in beauty therapy. It's not all facials, manicures and massages – you could move into management and run your own salon or join the luxury market at a spa day. Alternatively, you could explore theatrical make-up and creating special effects. Whatever course you choose, our commercial salons will provide the ideal environment for your studies.

FOUR STAR TREATMENT FOR SLALEY – BOUND ALICE

Alice Taylor will be getting the four star treatment after passing her Level 3 in beauty therapy with a distinction this summer.

For the 18-year-old, from Crook, has secured a full time position as a spa therapist at Slaley Hall in Northumberland.

Alice, who previously attended Parkside Academy in Willington, Crook, said: "I found the staff at Bishop Auckland College to be friendly and professional and I've been given amazing training to prepare me for my new job, with experience of hot stone therapy, waxing and facial and body electrical."

CG Diploma in Beauty L1

CG Diploma in Beauty Therapy L2

CG Diploma in Complementary Therapies L2

CG Diploma in Beauty Therapy L2

CG Diploma in Nail Technology Enhancement L2

CG Diploma in Beauty Therapy Techniques L3

CG Diploma in Nail Technologies L3

CG Diploma in Complementary Therapies L3

CG Diploma in Beauty Therapy Techniques L3

CG Award in Indian Head Massage L3

Beauty Therapy Apprenticeship



For more information on beauty therapy courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/beauty-therapy

Health & social care



A career in health & social care can be extremely rewarding and diverse, with opportunities to work with children, adolescents, the elderly, people with special needs, hospital patients and the general community. With courses starting at Entry Level and going right up to Foundation Degree Level we help you develop your skills to whichever path you choose.

Edexcel Diploma in Health & Social Care L1

NOCN Diploma in Skills for Health and Social Care L2

NCFE Certificate in Nutrition & Health L2

Pathway to Nursing and Social Work

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in Health and Social Care L3

Edexcel Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care L3

UoS Foundation Degree in Health & Social Care

Health and Social Care Apprenticeship

For more information on health and social care courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/health-and-social-care



PATHWAY TO A NEW CAREER FOR FRIENDS MICHELLE, STACEY AND DEBORAH

Friends Michelle Walton, Stacey Meayers and Deborah Summerson start their Foundation Degrees in Health & Social Care in September after they all passed their Level 3 Pathway to Nursing and Social Care qualification.

Michelle, from Leeholme, had always been interested in a career in nursing and rang the college to enquire about courses: "I've really enjoyed it. I've actually been offered two jobs through my placements I did on the course. I'm going to start (at a local care home) in September so I can work alongside my Level 4 and Level 5."

Stacey, who found her L3 course fitted in well with her part-time job with a bookmaker, is betting on herself to go on to achieve a Master's. She said: "I knew I wanted to do something in the healthcare sector but not too sure what. The course helped me with all the different topics decide where I wanted to go and what I wanted to do."

Deborah, from Newton Aycliffe, had been working as a childminder and a friend working in the social care sector recommended the L3 course at Bishop Auckland College. She has just started a part-time voluntary position with West Park Hospital in Darlington, putting her in pole position once a job becomes available.

Pathway to a new career...for (l-r) Michelle Walton, Stacey Meayers and Deborah Summerson.

Higher Education



Bishop Auckland College has many years' experience of providing a range of Higher Education programmes to enable students to gain valuable employability skills and to progress higher and complete their degree qualification.

GRADUATES CELEBRATE HND COURSE SUCCESS

Students celebrated their graduation from Higher National Diploma (HND) courses in Art & Design, Music, Performing Arts and Sport at a special event held at the college's main Bishop Auckland campus.

Guests included local artist and founder of Daisy Arts Jane Crawford and the Chair of the College Corporation and Managing Director of Ebac Pamela Petty, who said: "As a college we recognise all of you graduating have put in an enormous amount of hard work, commitment and motivation to achieve this goal over the past two years.

"I know myself, being an adult learner, and having to juggle the course work, assignments and home life this not an easy task and it takes a lot of dedication to achieve success. I know many of you are going into employment or progressing even higher to study your chosen one year top-up BA (Hons) qualification at university. Well done to you all, you have earned it."

FOUNDATION DEGREES

The College works in partnership with the University of Sunderland to offer the following Foundation Degrees: Counselling; Education & Care; Health & Social Care; Leadership & Management.

We also offer a range of teacher training and professional qualifications.

HIGHER EDUCATION LOANS

Higher National and Foundation Degree students at Bishop Auckland College can qualify for a Student Loan to cover the full cost of their tuition fees in the same way as degree students at university.

For more information on Higher Education Loans visit:
www.gov.uk/student-finance



DANCING DEGREE BECKONS FOR JAMES

James Barker is off to Newcastle University this autumn to study his one year top-up BA (Hons) qualification in Contemporary Dance, having completed his HND in Performing Arts.

James, 23, a former Greenfield School pupil, said: "My aim is to do a Masters and follow in the footsteps of Ashley Banjo from Diversity, although a different style of dance. Later I would like to open up my own dance studio to support people from underprivileged backgrounds.

"Through dance I like to cover topical and social issues that are often difficult to speak about, such as domestic violence. Performing dance pieces and short stories on such topics stirs up emotions and can often help people understand how it may affect them either directly or as part of the audience."

Pictured performing with James is colleague Emma Dixon.

HIGHER NATIONAL CERTIFICATES AND HIGHER NATIONAL DIPLOMAS

The college offers a range of Higher National Certificates and Higher National Diplomas. As job related qualifications that are highly valued by employers, HNCs and HNDs offer a mix of academic and hands-on practical learning that will develop the skills you need in the workplace or to continue in higher education.

HNC/HND courses are offered in the following subjects: Art and Design; Business; Computing; Engineering; Music; Performing Arts; Policing and Criminal Investigation; Sports Coaching and Development.

BEAUTY AND THE BEAT

Donna Rowe is swapping beauty therapy for the beat after securing a job as a special constable halfway through her HND in Policing and Criminal Investigation course.

Once her children were in full-time education she decided to join the course to give her the best chance of securing her ambition of becoming a police officer, something she said she had "always wanted to do".

The full-time course hours of 9am to 3pm four days per week fitted perfectly around the school run for the mother-of-three. And after completing her first year Donna, 32, has just been offered a position as a Special Constable with Durham Constabulary.

"I feel more confident having the background knowledge that I have because I am going to go into (the job) knowing a lot more than other people who have just come in and joined.

"It gave me a lot of inside information – there's a lot involved in the course. The riot training was brilliant to do. The tutor we had teaching the course had a fantastic background and he was absolutely fantastic."

Donna, of Bishop Auckland, hopes to progress to become a regular police officer and work in the specialist dog support unit, adding: "There are massive career opportunities out there."

She is encouraging others who would like to join the police service to join the course: "I would just recommend anyone that's interested in it to go for it and not give it a second thought."



Motor vehicle



If you're fascinated by how cars work and get a buzz out of taking things apart and putting them back together again, then a career in the motor industry could be ideal for you. You'll learn and train in our fully equipped motor vehicle workshops, after which, you could progress into employment, an apprenticeship or become self-employed.

RYAN GETS THE JOB HE ALWAYS WANTED AFTER PASSING COLLEGE COURSES

Car mad teenager Ryan Bainbridge secured an apprenticeship with a body repair centre after completing his L2 and L3 motor vehicle courses.



Ryan, 18, from Toronto, came direct to the college from Bishop Barrington Comprehensive School in September 2013 to enrol on the L2 motor vehicle course.

After passing this initial course he joined the L3 Accident and Repair course in September 2014, which he again successfully completed and in March 2015 his hard work was rewarded with an apprenticeship at Alan Reed Body Repair Centre in Shildon.

Ryan said: "I first heard about the college when at

school. I've always known that I wanted to study motor vehicle and the college was close to home for me. I had also heard a lot of positive feedback from friends who had attended the college.

"Now I'm finally doing a job I've always wanted to do. Everyone at the college was amazing and without (tutor) Simon Ennew I wouldn't be where I am today - Simon has been a huge help to me. I made friends when at the college with lots of people doing the same course.

"I would ideally like to work in classic car restoration as I have a particular interest in old American muscle cars."

Entry Level Motor Vehicle

Motor Vehicle L1

CG Diploma in Vehicle Maintenance & Repair Light L2

CG Diploma in Vehicle Fitting Principles L2

CG Certificate in Vehicle Fitting Principles L2

CG Diploma in Accident Repair MET Principles L3

CG Diploma in Light Vehicle Maintenance & Repair Principles L3

Motor Vehicle – Maintenance Apprenticeship

For more information on motor vehicle courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/motor-vehicle



"I played at the Make A Scene festival in Middlesbrough a couple of years ago and recently performed in Hall 2 at The Sage Gateshead for the NU Showcase Of Sound, which was amazing to be part of."

Craig Roddam,
Singer-songwriter

Music & performing arts

We offer full and part-time music courses right up to HND level designed to develop your abilities and prepare you for a range of exciting career opportunities within the industry. With fully-equipped music and recording studios and rehearsal rooms, we aim to provide our talented students with access to the most up-to-date facilities required for effective learning.

BIG AUDITION FOR CRAIG

Spennymoor singer-songwriter Craig Roddam is determined to hit the big time and combines studying by day with gigging at night.

April was a busy month for the 26-year-old, who passed the first two auditions for X Factor held at St James' Park, then won through to the final of Metro Radio's The Big Audition where he also raised funds for the Cash for Kids charity.

Craig, of Tudhoe, starts the second year of his HND in Music in September. In June he came second of 20 finalists in the Sunderland heat of Bring it On UK, winning a music video for his next EP and a place in the regional grand final. Craig is also about to start a UK tour supporting band Black Nevada and said: "It's an exciting opportunity and I can't wait to hit the road with an awesome band as Black Nevada are."

Diploma in Music L2

Edexcel Extended Diploma in Music L3

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in Music L3

Pearson BTEC HND in Music L5

Diploma in Performing Arts L2

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in Performing Arts L3

Edexcel Extended Diploma in Performing Arts L3

Pearson BTEC HND in Performing Arts L5

For more information on music and performing arts courses visit:

bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/music

Sport and uniformed services

Our sports courses cover everything from coaching to remedial treatments, leadership and management. We have all of the indoor facilities you would expect in our full sports hall, built to Sport England specifications, as well as a spectacular built in climbing wall.

1st4Sport Award in Coaching Football L1

CG Certificate in Sport L1

1st4Sport Award in Multi Skills Development L2

Be a Fitness Instructor - Exercise to Music

OCR Diploma in Sport L2

NCFE Certificate in Outdoor Activity Leadership L2

NCFE Cert in Fitness Instructing L2

Be a Fitness Instructor - Gym Based Exercise

Edexcel Diploma in Sport L3

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in Sport L3

Edexcel Extended Diploma in Sport L3

Personal Trainers L3

Pearson BTEC HNC in Sport L4

Pearson BTEC HND in Sport (Coaching and Sports Development) L5

Outdoor Instructing Apprenticeship

Supporting PE in Schools Apprenticeship

For more information on sport courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/sport

Uniformed services courses are designed to help you develop the skills needed for today's workforce within the Public Services. The courses can help you grow in confidence and become self reliant, learn how to solve problems, meet deadlines, keep fit and work as part of a team.

NCFE Diploma for Entry to Uniformed Services L1

NCFE Diploma for Entry to Uniformed Services L2

Edexcel 90 Credit Diploma in Public Service L3

Edexcel Extended Diploma in Public Services L3

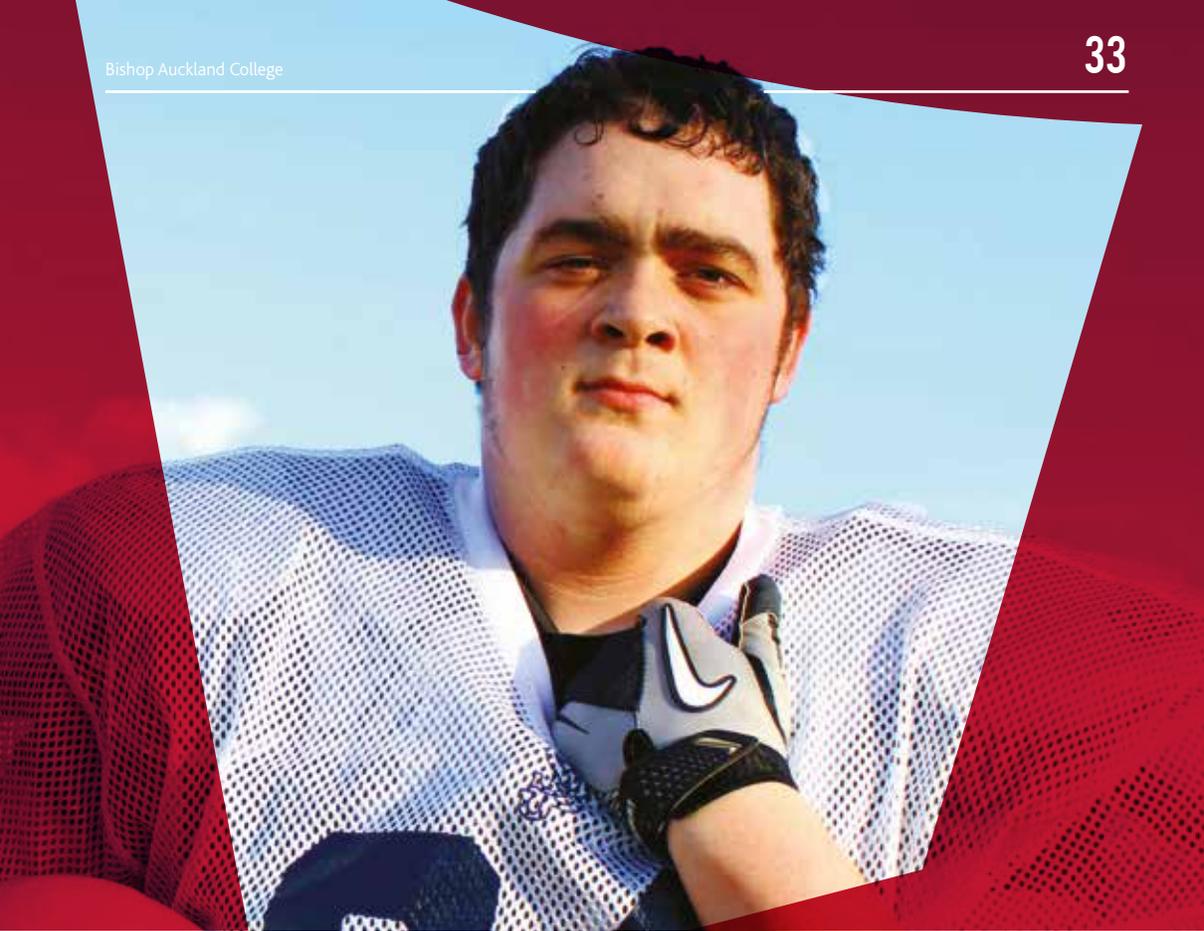
Pearson BTEC HNC in Public Services (Policing & Criminal Investigation) L4

Pearson BTEC HND in Public Services (Policing & Criminal Investigation) L5

Pearson BTEC HND in Public Services L5

For more information on uniformed services courses visit:

bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/public-services



JACK SECURES AMERICAN FOOTBALL PRO CONTRACT

Level 3 Sport graduate Jack Curry touched down in Norway after securing an American Football professional contract.

Jack was given an initial four month contract with Norway American Football Federation team Nidaros Domers in March.

The 20-year-old, of Eldon, Bishop Auckland, was unlucky to pick up a knee injury during a training session prior to his first match but, undeterred, has been working as a coach while he recuperates.

The dream move follows a five-year love of the sport, which started when Jack played in his school team at Woodham Academy in Newton Aycliffe.

The team competed in the American High School League of Europe, where Jack was noticed by ex NFL player and current Sky Sports presenter Cecil Martin, who invited him to play for Team Europe in San Antonio, Texas. His two week stay was followed

by three months with the Bielefeld Bulldogs in the German Football League Division 2, which ultimately led to the move to Norway.

Jack qualified last year with a BTEC Level 3 in Sport at Bishop Auckland College, who provided financial support for his US trip.

He said: "I really enjoyed my course and learned so much, and very much appreciated the help the college gave me with the US trip, covering the cost of accommodation and health insurance. The experience of going over to Texas showed everyone how serious I took the sport and that it wasn't just a phase. It helped me realise I could follow my dream – to play American football at a higher level and make a career out of it."

Teacher training

Teaching is an important and rewarding career. We offer a range of teacher training and assessor courses to help you achieve your career goals whether you are new to the sector or looking to update your skills. PCET/PGCE courses are validated by the University of Sunderland.

FORMER COLLEGE CARETAKER PLANS TEACHING CAREER

After 13 years as a college caretaker Darren Best decided to go back to the classroom to undertake teacher training.

He passed with a triple distinction in his L3 in IT after two years of studying and secured a new job as an IT Technician and Health & Safety Officer at The Meadows School in Spennymoor.

He then qualified with a Cert Ed, enabling him to teach IT to Year 10 and 11 students, and hopes to secure a full time position as an IT teacher. Darren's next move is to enrol on a teaching degree course, qualifying him to teach at all ages.

The 34-year-old, of West Auckland, said the IT and Cert Ed



courses have been invaluable: "It has helped me progress within my career and I have grown in confidence and academically. I'm really appreciative for the teachers and help and support that the college has given me while I was doing the course."

UoS PCET/PGCE Y1

Certificate in Education and Training L4 (formerly CTLLS)

CACHE Certificate in Leading Quality the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment L4

CACHE Award in Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment L4

CG Award in Education and Training L3 (formerly PTLLS)

CACHE Certificate in Assessing Vocational Achievement L3

For more information on teacher training courses visit:
bacoll.ac.uk/course-category/teacher-training

Open evenings

BISHOP AUCKLAND COLLEGE

All events start at 5.30pm until 7.30pm.

Tuesday 27 September 2016

Tuesday 8 November 2016

Tuesday 10 January 2017

Tuesday 9 May 2017

Tuesday 11 July 2017

SOUTH WEST DURHAM TRAINING

Events start at 5pm, visitors are asked to attend for 5pm

Please check website: www.swdt.co.uk or call: 01325 313194 or email: enquiries@swdt.co.uk

Community learning

If you want to gain skills for work or learn something new, we offer a variety of both accredited and non-accredited courses at our three Learning Centres (Newgate - Bishop Auckland, Crook and Newton Aycliffe) and at a range of community venues throughout south-west Durham. There's also no problem fitting learning into your lifestyle; some of our courses are 'roll-on, roll-off' so you can start throughout the year, not just September.



David (front) with new boss Paul Jones



Lesley (seated) with tutor Catherine Hrynyszak.

EMPLOYABILITY PROGRAMME SERVES UP DREAM JOB FOR CHEF DAVID

Attending an employability programme at the college's Newgate Learning Centre in Bishop Auckland has led to a dream job for David Hogg.

David, 21, from Bishop Auckland, had been out of work for several months when he joined the programme to gain support and get help back into employment.

He had worked as a chef for several years but wanted to become a motor mechanic. His job placement officer Joanne Walton arranged work experience at National Tyres St Helen in Bishop Auckland.

David impressed his manager Paul Jones so much he was offered a full-time position and is thoroughly enjoying his new job.

COMPUTING NO LONGER TERRIFYING FOR LESLEY

Lesley Holden is celebrating her recent success at passing Level 2 in Computing at the Newgate Learning Centre.

The mum-of-three had set her sights on learning her way around a keyboard and computer having seen the college's 'Computers for the Terrified' course advertised last year. She enjoyed this introduction course so much that she decided to progress and completed City & Guilds Entry Level, Level 1 and Level 2 in IT.

Lesley's tutor Catherine Hrynyszak said: "I have watched Lesley's confidence grow and grow and I am really proud of her."

Community Learning non-accredited courses:

Aromatherapy	Cooking around the World	Healthy Cooking on a Budget
Arts and Crafts	Digital Photography	Making positive life changes
Bake Off	Emergency First Aid at Work	Manual handling
Building positive relationships	English	Nail Art
Cake Decorating	First Aid	Personal Money Management
Colour and Gem Therapy	Food safety	Social Media
Computers for the Terrified	Indian Head Massage	Substance Misuse Management
Confidence Building and personal development	Paediatric First Aid	Stress Management
	Flower Arranging	Using an Ipad/Tablet

Introduction to:

Care
Childcare
Counselling
Customer Service
Retail
Teaching Assistant

Employment routeways:

Administration Level 1
Customer Service Level 1
Retail Level 1
Care Level 1
Cleaning & Support Services Level 1
Construction Level 1 (Including CSCS Card)
Catering & Hospitality Level 1
Security Level 1 (Including SIA Licence)

Job preparation and self marketing programmes:

Gateway to Work Level 1
Trax to Work - Self Marketing & Personal Enterprise Level 1

ICT:

C&G Start IT (ITQ) Beginners Plus
C&G Level 1 Certificate (ITQ) Intermediate
C&G Level 2 Certificate (ITQ) Intermediate Plus

Maths and English:

C&G Functional Skills in Maths (up to Level 2) - FREE
C&G Functional Skills in English (up to Level 2) - FREE

One day programmes:

CIEH Award in Emergency First Aid at Work Level 2 - FREE
CIEH Award in Food Safety in Catering Level 2 - £189
NCFE Award in Health & Safety Level 1 - £199

If you are unsure which course or pathway is right for you, why not talk to one of our team who can advise you on the best level to start on. For more information about our Community Learning programmes including cost details please call **(01388) 443133** or email newgate.admin@bacoll.ac.uk

FREE travel

If you are travelling to college during the day as a full time student you may be entitled to free transport. For further information contact student services on 01388 443 000.*

Stanhope

Frosterley
 Wolsingham
 Crook - West Road
 Crook - St Catherine's Church
 Crook - Wheatbottom
 Willington
 Sunnybrow
 Hunwick

Tow Law

Sunnyside
 Stanley
 Billy Row
 Roddymoor
 Howden Le Wear
 Witton Le Wear
 High Grange
 Toronto
 Bishop Auckland Bus Station

Tindale Crescent
 St Helens - Maude Terrace
 St Helens
 West Auckland
 West Auckland - Copeland Road
 Evenwood
 Cockfield
 Staindrop

Barnard Castle

South Church - Opp Church
 South Church - Rosemount Road
 Shildon Hippodrome
 Shildon - King William Bus Station
 Shildon - Jubilee Estate
 Shildon - Hilsdon Drive
 West Park
 Cockerton

Darlington Town Centre

Arriva Service 1 / 1B

* All students wishing to access the college's discretionary learner support fund.

Go North East X21 route

Green Lane / Tudhoe Moor

Spennymoor Library

Spennymoor Town Hall

Middlestone Moor - Post Office

Middlestone Moor

Binchester Road Ends

Auckland Park

Trimdon Crossroads

Fishburn

Sedgefield

Bishop Middleham

West Cornforth

Coxhoe

Ferryhill Village

Ferryhill Station

Ferryhill - Post Office

Ferryhill - Feaversham Terrace

Chilton

Leeholm

Coundon

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Auckland
College**

Eldon Lane

Midridge

Newton Aycliffe - Labour Club

Newton Aycliffe - Williamfield

Newton Aycliffe - Station

Newton Aycliffe - Pease Way

Newton Aycliffe - Town Centre

Newton Aycliffe - Burn Lane

Newton Aycliffe - Woodham Way

Aycliffe Village

Arriva Service 5 / 5A



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