BLACKPOOL AND THE FYLDE COLLEGE SEPTEMBER 2020 SCHOOL LEAVER PROSPECTUS

RICH EXPERIENCES. REWARDING CAREERS.

B&FC's employment-focused qualifications provide the technical and professional skills needed to achieve your higher education and career ambitions.

EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES TO DEVELOP YOU AS A PERSON

97% OF STUDENTS PROGRESS INTO EMPLOYMENT OR FURTHER STUDY

A GUARANTEED INDUSTRY PLACEMENT FOR EVERY FULL-TIME STUDENT
Welcome to Blackpool and The Fylde College.

B&FC is an Ofsted Grade 1 college and in the top 2% of all colleges in England for school leaver success¹. We recently celebrated outstanding results among our further education students, which saw them progress to degree-level study and rewarding careers.

At B&FC, our focus is giving you the knowledge, skills and experience to prepare for higher education and highly skilled employment. Here you will access industry specialist tutors, cutting edge facilities and an industry placement to provide you with a valuable head start on your chosen future career.

We offer a rich and rewarding learning experience, supported by a wide range of resources, events and activities to help you develop not just as a student but as a person. Throughout your time at B&FC, we will work closely with you to achieve your goals and progress towards a bright, rewarding future.

Most importantly, we want you to enjoy the journey.

Bev Robinson, OBE
Principal and Chief Executive

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In 2018/19, B&FC students were celebrating yet again. In no less than 12 subject areas, the pass rate for 16 to 18 year-olds studying a Level 3 Triple Diploma was an amazing 100%. Almost half – 47% – of those achieved a high grade (triple distinction star to Distinction, Merit, Merit – or equivalent). Overall, students achieved a highly impressive pass rate of 98%.

A Level 3 Triple Diploma is the equivalent to studying 3 A-levels, equipping students for leading university places and highly rewarding careers. This year was no exception, as students progressed to universities across the country, with some continuing their studies at B&FC, which offers degrees awarded by Lancaster University (a UK top 10 university).

"My enjoyment of the course and the help of my tutors has given me the confidence to come back and do my degree, and I'm really excited to start!"

Engineering student Chay Lonsdale received an outstanding D*D*D* (equivalent to A*A*A* at A-level) and is staying on at B&FC to study BEng Aerospace Engineering.

"I originally did A-levels but they weren't for me. On this course you do the work but there isn't the same pressure. And the tutors give you all the help you need."

Applied Science student Abigail Eaves achieved a triple distinction star (equivalent to A*A*A* at A-level) and is now studying for a pharmacy degree.

"The skills I gained on placement are directly relevant to working in the health and care sector. I'm really excited for the future."

Jamie Russell studied the Level 3 Health and Social Care NHS Cadetship and is progressing to a degree in Paramedic Practice at the University of Cumbria.

*R national Achievement Rate Tables (NARTs) from the Department for Education and Skills Funding Agency 2017/18
WHY SHOULD YOU CHOOSE B&FC?

THE HIGHEST STANDARDS OF TEACHING AND STUDENT PERFORMANCE

WE’RE PASSIONATE ABOUT SUPPORTING YOU TO ACHIEVE YOUR UNIVERSITY AND CAREER AMBITIONS.

OFSTED GRADE 1 OUTSTANDING
This proves our teaching is of the highest standard, providing you with the best technical route through to your future career.

AMONG THE BEST FOR SUCCESS
We’re ranked in the top 2% of all colleges in England for school leaver success1 - why would you go anywhere else?

LEADING THE WAY
We’re a member of the Chartered Institute for Further Education (CIFE), which brings together the best training providers across the sector.

T-LEVELS
PIONEERING T-LEVELS
We’re the only North West provider approved by the government to deliver all 3 T-level pathways.

TEF GOLD
Successful level 3 students who meet the entry criteria will be guaranteed a place on one of our relevant degree programmes - awarded the highest rating in the Teaching Excellence Framework.

OUR EMPLOYMENT-FOCUSED QUALIFICATIONS PROVIDE THE TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL SKILLS NEEDED TO CONFIDENTLY EQUIP YOU FOR YOUR FUTURE CAREER.
A RANGE OF EMPLOYMENT-FOCUSED QUALIFICATIONS

A-LEVEL EQUIVALENT QUALIFICATIONS
Our Level 3 Triple Diploma and T-level qualifications are equivalent to studying 3 A-levels and are valued by universities and employers alike.

RELEVANT INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS
If you study full-time you can access a relevant industry placement, which develops valuable skills for employment and/or higher level study.

APPRENTICESHIPS
We work with over 1,800 partner employers, which means we can help you to secure an apprenticeship.

INDUSTRY SPECIALISTS
Our tutors are specialists in their subjects and they regularly spend time in industry to keep their knowledge and experience up-to-date.

EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIPS
We work closely with employers to develop and deliver programmes that give you the skills you need to succeed in your future career.

HIGH-TECH FACILITIES
We’re constantly investing in our facilities to provide a first-rate, industry-standard learning environment with cutting edge resources.

CONTINUE TO DEGREE LEVEL
Enhance your career prospects with one of our UK top 10 Lancaster University degrees or degree/higher apprenticeships.

“PROGRESSION RATES ONTO HIGHER EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT ARE VERY HIGH.” — Ofsted

National Achievement Rate Tables (NARTs) from the Department for Education and Skills Funding Agency 2017/18 - Terms and conditions apply - go to blackpool.ac.uk/info/terms
**SCHOOL LEAVER OPTIONS EXPLAINED**

With so many options available once you finish school, it can be confusing knowing what to do. We've explained these different options below so you can decide which one is the right one for you.

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### WHAT ARE THEY?  
**SUITABLE IF YOU...**
- Apprenticeships: (...want to start your career straight away and start earning a wage)
- T-levels: (...are academically strong with high level technical skills and have a specific career goal)
- Diplomas: (...have a strong interest in a specific subject)
- A-levels: (...are academically strong, keen to do a degree but haven't decided on a career route)

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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<td>Ideally hold a relevant position with a local employer and be willing to learn*</td>
<td>Likely to be 5 GCSEs grade 5 and above, including English and Maths</td>
<td>4 GCSEs grade 4 and above</td>
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### STUDY MODE

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<td>20% college-based and 80% work-based</td>
<td>Core skills, subject knowledge, English and maths and a minimum 315-hour (equivalent to 45 days approx) industry placement</td>
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### HOW YOU’LL BE ASSESSED

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<td>Observation, tests and portfolio of evidence</td>
<td>Through exams and practical skills tests</td>
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### WHERE DO THEY LEAD?

- Skilled employment
- Higher/Degree Apprenticeships
- University
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- University
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- University

*If you don't have a relevant position, we can support you to find one. Go to blackpool.ac.uk/apprenticeships/vacancies*
WHAT ARE T-LEVELS?

T-levels are a brand new 2-year qualification, equivalent to doing three A-levels. Designed with employers and businesses, they suit people who are academically strong but have a skilled career route in mind.

The great thing about T-levels is you get to develop the exact knowledge and skills needed for your chosen career. You’ll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and the remaining 20% (315 hours) on a relevant industry placement, getting real on-the-job experience.

WHY HAVE THEY BEEN INTRODUCED?

T-levels are a key part of the government’s plan to transform education in the UK. As more people retire and industries (such as the digital sector) continue to grow, the country needs a new generation of highly skilled workers who can contribute to its economic success.

T-levels aim to provide the skills that industry needs, with employers having a say in what you will learn and also allowing you to apply your knowledge to the workplace via an extended industry placement. T-levels are career rather than subject-based and let you play your part in helping to drive the future of the UK economy.

WHAT SUBJECTS CAN YOU STUDY?

The first T-levels will be available from 2020, with the government planning to introduce more T-levels in subsequent years.

In 2020, you can choose from:
+ Digital
+ Construction
+ Childcare and Education

WHAT DO THEY LEAD TO?

T-levels lead to a nationally-recognised certificate with an overall grade of PASS, MERIT or DISTINCTION. They provide you with the skills and knowledge you need to progress to university, highly skilled employment, a higher technical qualification or higher apprenticeship.
WHAT WE OFFER

At B&FC, we offer a range of study options to suit different learning styles, aptitudes and ambitions. All these routes deliver the technical and professional skills needed to progress to degree level and employment.

FULL-TIME STUDY PROGRAMMES
At B&FC, all full-time students follow a personalised study programme that doesn’t just focus on your chosen subject but also develops the all-round skills and qualities needed to succeed at university and in employment. Personal development, employability skills, digital skills, an industry placement, regular progress meetings and career planning are all included in your programme.

English and maths: Everyone has to study English and maths at the appropriate level. If you achieve a grade 3 or below in these GCSEs, you may still gain a place but you will need to work towards resitting these subjects as part of your main programme. This won’t take you any longer to complete.

LEVEL 3 TRIPLE DIPLOMAS
Our Level 3 Triple Diplomas are the equivalent to studying three A-levels: they carry the maximum possible 168 UCAS points needed for university but unlike A-levels they are more assignment based with significant emphasis on industry experience. Depending on your GCSE results, you might need to start off on a level 1 or 2 course.

COMBINED DIPLOMA PROGRAMME
Our Combined Diploma programme allows you to keep your options open by developing skills in two subjects (one as a Double Diploma 2 days a week and one as a Single Diploma 1 day a week – an additional day is spent on placement in your industry of choice).

T-LEVELS
T-levels are a brand new 2-year qualification, equivalent to doing three A-levels. They deliver high level technical skills through a mixture of class-based learning and a 315-hour industry placement. T-levels suit people who are academically strong but have a particular career route in mind. Eventually, they will replace level 3 diplomas. Read more about T-levels on page 7.

APPRENTICESHIPS:
START YOUR CAREER STRAIGHT AWAY...
As an apprentice, you will be employed while working towards a nationally-recognised qualification. You will develop your skills mostly through on-the-job training, with around 20% of your time spent doing ‘off-the-job’ training, usually at College. Ideally you will need to have a suitable position before you start but we can support you to find your ideal role.

NEED HELP MAKING YOUR CHOICE?
Look out for our College and School Liaison Team at your school or pay us a visit – see page 5 for what’s on and when.

APPLY
Once you’ve decided which programme is for you, find it online at blackpool.ac.uk/leavers and click ‘Apply’. See page 52 for details.

BBC’S STEPH MCGOVERN HOSTING OUR APPRENTICESHIP AWARDS

*Terms and conditions apply - go to blackpool.ac.uk/info/terms
A HEAD START ON YOUR CHOSEN CAREER

Today’s job market is so competitive, it’s really important to have all the skills and qualities that employers are looking for. If you’re planning to go to university, these same skills will allow you to compete for the best institutions, industry placements and graduate openings once you’ve completed your degree.

EMPLOYER PARTNERSHIPS — EQUIPPING YOU FOR CAREER SUCCESS

No one is better equipped to steer you towards success than our partner employers. We work closely with more than 1,800 employers, who tell us exactly the skills and qualities they’re looking for to make sure their businesses continue to grow.

They help to design programmes, carry out guest lectures, arrange industry trips and set ‘real-life’ assignments for you to carry out. They also provide industry placements to give you the experience needed to stand out from the crowd.

ONE STEP AHEAD

It’s good to focus on the here and now but it’s also important to keep an eye to the future. That’s why we embed employability skills and career planning into all our programmes so you can map where you’re going as well as how to get there.

We also review our courses regularly to make sure the content reflects the latest industry trends. Each year, our expert tutors spend time in industry, updating their skills and knowledge to bring you the best learning experience possible.

YOUR INDUSTRY PLACEMENT — BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER!

There’s no better insight into your chosen career than being there and doing it yourself. We guarantee all our full-time students a relevant industry placement - typically longer than at most other institutions - to provide valuable experience for progressing into employment and/or higher level study.

“THE COLLEGE IS REALLY IN TUNE WITH WHAT BUSINESSES NEED NOW FOR THEIR WORKFORCE…”

Merlin Entertainments
HIGH-TECH FACILITIES

WITH ALL THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCES - THE SAME AS THOSE USED BY INDUSTRY - YOU'LL BE AMAZED AT OUR HIGH-TECH FACILITIES...

A RANGE OF VIRTUAL AND AUGMENTED REALITY DEVICES

£150,000 TV STUDIO, DIGITAL EDITING AND FILMING FACILITIES

INDUSTRY-STANDARD SCIENCE LABORATORIES

THE LATEST CNC TECHNOLOGY IN OUR ADVANCED ENGINEERING WORKSHOPS

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE RESOURCE CENTRES WITH QUIET ZONES AND CHILL-OUT AREAS
INDUSTRY-STANDARD WORKSHOPS IN LINE WITH BOEING, ROLLS ROYCE AND McLAREN

FULL MISSION SHIP’S BRIDGE SIMULATOR

FLEETWOOD NAUTICAL CAMPUS

STATE-OF-THE-ART PHOTOGRAPHY STUDIOS

£10.5M ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY CENTRE (ROBOTICS AND MOT TESTING FACILITIES)

LARGEST CONSTRUCTION TRAINING PROVIDER IN THE NORTH WEST
ENJOY THE JOURNEY

When you join B&FC, you’re not just starting College, you’re starting an exciting new adventure. Look forward to a relaxed, grown-up environment where you can enjoy good times, grow your confidence and gain valuable skills for the future.

THE PERFECT BLEND WITH FE+
FE+ is an award that helps you stand out to employers and universities. It captures all the ‘added extras’ you’ve undertaken while at B&FC and demonstrates you have the personal skills and qualities needed to achieve your future career goals.

RESOURCES, EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES TO GET THE MOST OUT OF COLLEGE LIFE!

Social action/charity work

Make a difference

Competitions

BE IN IT TO WIN IT

Careers/employability

Create a professional online presence

Get involved

BE A STUDENT REP OR AMBASSADOR
YOUR COMMUNITY...
We'll work closely with you, supporting you to progress towards a bright, rewarding future. Along with your subject tutors and personal progress tutor, there's a whole team of people who have your back. We call them Partners4Success.

RESILIENCE
Learn coping skills for what life throws at you

MENTAL WEALTH
Prioritise good mental health

VOLUNTEERING
Give something back

SPORTS, CLUBS AND SOCIETIES
Get active, have fun or try something new

STUDENT ADMIN - HELP WITH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

TEAM B&FC - REPRESENT THE COLLEGE IN ONE OF OUR SPORTS TEAMS

STUDENT SUPPORT AND WELLBEING - A RANGE OF PERSONALISED SUPPORT

THE LOOP - DIGITAL RESEARCH AND INFORMATION HANDLING SKILLS

RELAX WITH A STARBUCKS AT ANY CAMPUS

PROFESSIONALLY QUALIFIED CAREERS TEAM - HELP WITH PLANNING YOUR FUTURE

EMPLOYABILITY COACHES - EVENTS, WORKSHOPS AND EXTERNAL SERVICES SIGNPOSTING

STUDENTS' UNION - SHAPING STUDENT LIFE

Your community …
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PARENT AND GUARDIAN FAQS

Whichever route your child chooses, we will support them to develop the technical and professional skills and experience needed to succeed in their chosen career.

Q. HOW DO I KNOW YOU’RE AS GOOD AS YOU SAY?
A. Our results speak for themselves. In April 2019 we were ranked in the top 2% of all colleges in England for school leaver success (National Achievement Rate Tables). We have also been judged as Grade 1 Outstanding by Ofsted. Excellent results among our students recently saw them progress into higher education and rewarding careers.

Q. WHAT MAKES YOU DIFFERENT?
A. We create a personalised programme of study for every student that addresses their unique education needs and career goals. We use a variety of teaching methods to suit different learning styles and we work closely with students to help them develop the skills they need to improve.

Q. THERE’S SO MUCH CHOICE, AND NOW THERE ARE T-LEVELS TOO! WHAT’S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THEM ALL?
A. Our table on page 6 tells you everything you need to know about the different qualifications on offer. The best qualification for your child will depend on their individual learning style and their future career aspirations. For help making a decision, call us on T 01253 504 343 or come to an open event.

Q. MY CHILD WANTS TO GO TO UNIVERSITY — IS B&FC THE RIGHT CHOICE?
A. Absolutely! Our T-level and Level 3 Triple Diploma qualifications are equivalent to studying three A-levels and carry the maximum possible 168 UCAS points needed for university. They have a greater emphasis on career-related work experience, which universities and employers tell us they value.

Q. HOW RELEVANT ARE YOUR PROGRAMMES FOR THE WORKPLACE?
A. Extremely. We involve our employer partners in programme design and delivery, through industry placements and ‘real-life’ assignments, so students develop the skills and confidence they need to progress into employment and/or higher level study. Students are also taught employability skills by our industry specialist tutors.

Q. WHAT IF MY CHILD DOESN’T GET THE REQUIRED GCSE GRADES?
A. If necessary, we will place them on a similar programme where they can still work towards achieving their career goals. If they get a grade 3 in their English or Maths GCSE they can re-sit these subjects alongside their main study programme.

Q. HOW MUCH SUPPORT DO YOU PROVIDE?
A. Every student has their own personal progress tutor, who provides a range of ongoing support and guidance, including 1-2-1 feedback meetings to keep students on track towards their goals. We also provide specialist support for students who have a disability, learning difficulty or mental health problem.

“OUR RESULTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.”
WE OFFER A RANGE OF BENEFITS AND SERVICES TO SUPPORT YOU IN ACHIEVING YOUR LEARNING GOALS.

Getting Here
With our FREE 24/7 Blackpool Transport travel pass, eligible students' get unlimited use of any Blackpool Transport bus or tram. We also offer a FREE bus service linking our Bispham Campus to Poulton-le-Fylde.

Learning Support
If you have a disability (including a specific learning or mental health difficulty) we will help you to access the support needed to manage your studies as independently as possible.

Personalised Learning
Your own personal progress tutor will help you to settle in, keep you informed about upcoming events and provide ongoing support and guidance. We also offer confidential counselling.

Money Matters
We offer a FREE healthy breakfast for everyone and a FREE lunch for eligible students¹. If you’re in care or receiving certain benefits, you could get up to £1,200 Guaranteed Bursary as well as FREE meals.¹

Career Planning
Our free careers service includes expert advice and resources to help with making career choices, applying to university and coaching to get you ready for employment.

Young Parents
Through the government’s Care to Learn scheme, full-time College-based students under 20 who have a child receive £160 per child per week towards childcare costs.²

Contact Us
For information or for a financial support application form contact us on T 01253 504 224 or E SSFunds@blackpool.ac.uk

You can also download the form at blackpool.ac.uk/support/financial-support-16-18s

For advice about help with disabilities and learning difficulties, contact us on T 01253 504 356 or E learningsupport@blackpool.ac.uk

¹Eligibility applies – go to www.blackpool.ac.uk/support/financial-support-16-18s ²Applies to students who live outside London
Did you know that at B&FC you can progress to one of a wide range of degree-level programmes, including higher and degree apprenticeships? In fact, if you successfully complete a full level 3 qualification and meet the entry criteria we will guarantee you a relevant place.

Our programmes are awarded by Lancaster University but studied here in Blackpool. That means none of the huge expense involved in moving away to study but you still get to graduate with a UK top 10 university degree.

"THE SUPPORT I HAVE RECEIVED HAS BEEN AMAZING - THE TUTORS ALWAYS GO THE EXTRA MILE TO HELP. NOW I'M CONTINUING HERE TO DO MY DEGREE."

Ben Armstrong - Level 3 Motorsport (read more about Ben on page 19)

B&FC degree-level education has been awarded the highest rating in the Teaching Excellence Framework.

This rating proves that B&FC delivers consistently outstanding teaching, learning and outcomes for its students.

B&FC is one of just 16 colleges in the country to be awarded TEF Gold.

FIND OUT MORE

DEGREE COURSES:
T 01253 504 343
W blackpool.ac.uk/degrees

DEGREE AND HIGHER APPRENTICESHIPS:
T 01253 504 343
W blackpool.ac.uk/apprenticeships/higher
9/10 graduates in work within 6 months of graduating\(^3\)

£25,500 average B&FC graduate salary

(around 15% higher than the national average of £20,500\(^4\))

£1,000 a year access scholarship\(^5\)

£25,500 average B&FC graduate salary

£500 advantage bursary\(^5\)

UK top 10 university degree\(^2\)

Uk top 10 university degree\(^2\)

Lancaster university

Dedicated university centre in Blackpool

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\(^3\)The Complete University Guide League Tables 2020

\(^4\)9/10 B&FC students in work or continuing education within 6 months of graduating (2016-17 DLHE Survey)

\(^5\)2016-17 DLHE Survey and graduate-jobs.com, which estimates the average starting salary for graduates is £18,000-£22,000

\(^6\)Eligibility applies – go to blackpool.ac.uk/support/funding/degrees
AUTOMOTIVE AND MOTORSPORT

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The North West is the UK’s second biggest region for automotive manufacture, generating around £9bn of the total UK automotive manufacturing economy through global names such as Bentley Motors, Jaguar Land Rover, Leyland Trucks and Vauxhall Motors.

As well as manufacture, lots of opportunities exist in service and repair, and working for a major dealership, your own garage or even for a motorsport team.

INDUSTRY-READY

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as the Vella Group, Blackpool Transport, Bowker Motorrad and Arnold Clark. We are also the lead training provider for Ford’s apprentices in the North West.

“OUR INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS SUPPORT B&FC STUDENTS’ PROGRESSION AND DEVELOPMENT. AND THEY ALSO BENEFIT US AS AN EMPLOYER.”

Steve Wilson, BMW Bowker Motorrad

NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS

17,730

OPENINGS A YEAR

540

AVERAGE SALARY

£24,600

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Vehicle Technician

Motor Vehicle Fitter

Motorsport Engineer

Get lots more careers information online - search ‘National Careers Service’

Careers data courtesy of Northern Alliance and EMSI.
STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“I chose B&FC for its professionalism and up-to-date facilities. The support I have received from tutors has been amazing - they will always go the extra mile to help if you ask! Now I am continuing here to do my degree and carry on a role with Yamaha.”

TOP TIP

“Don’t be scared to ask for help!”

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.

YOUR PERSONAL STUDY PROGRAMME INCLUDES:
+ your chosen subject
+ relevant industry placement
+ regular progress meetings
+ career planning
+ employability skills
+ maths and English at the appropriate level

IMPORTANT

GCSE MATHS AND ENGLISH

If you achieve a grade 3 or below in your English and/or Maths GCSEs you may still gain a place but you will need to work towards resitting these subjects as part of your study programme. This won’t take you any additional time to complete.

YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE
+ Motorsport
+ Motor Vehicle Maintenance and Repair
+ Vehicle Accident Body and Paint Repair
+ Light Vehicle Service and Maintenance
+ Vehicle Parts and Fitting

STUDY MODE

☐ T-level
☑ Extended Diploma
☑ Combined Diploma
☑ Apprenticeship

DEGREES AT B&FC

If you successfully complete a full level 3 qualification with us and meet the entry criteria, we will guarantee you a place on one of our relevant degree programmes - see blackpool.ac.uk/degrees

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Applying is easy!

Read our applying guide on page 52.
Lancashire has a thriving financial and professional services sector that supports more than 5,000 businesses, from accountants and law firms, financial advisors and insurance brokers, specialist property-related consultancies and recruitment agencies through to large business process outsourcing organisations.

Many of the jobs in the sector are based in Preston, Blackpool, Burnley and Blackburn, with leading employers including Danbro, KPMG and National Savings and Investments.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Rock FM, Karma Applied Science, NHS, Blackpool Transport and Wyre Council.

“B&FC’s tutors have a very positive and flexible approach, which is supportive of the needs of the individual students and our business.”

Annie Ogilvie, Blackpool Transport

**NORTH WEST JOB FACTS**

**Jobs**

668,937

**Openings a Year**

31,100

**Average Salary**

£36,400

Get lots more careers information online – search ‘National Careers Service’

Careers data courtesy of EMSI, Lancashire Skills and Employment Hub and National Careers Service.
“With my apprenticeship at Fylde Coast Gate Ltd, I get hands-on experience and a good work/life balance. You get a qualification while being paid! It’s taught me a lot about Business Administration and has prepared me for the world of work.”

**TOP TIP**

“Don’t worry - if you’re struggling they’ll help you.”

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.

**Student Low-down**

**NEARLY 75% OF STUDENTS PROGRESS TO B&FC UNIVERSITY CENTRE**

**STUDENTS LAUNCH THEIR OWN SOFTWARE COMPANY**

**EXTRA SUPPORT THROUGH ASSIGNMENT WORKSHOPS**

**40-DAY PLACEMENT**

**DO A DEGREE**

**STUDY MADE EASY**

**YOUR OPTIONS**

**SUBJECTS AVAILABLE**

+ Business
+ Business Management
+ Business and Event Management
+ Accountancy
+ Contact Centre Operations
+ Customer Service
+ Marketing
+ Sales
+ Retail

**STUDY MODE**

☐ T-level
☒ Extended Diploma
☒ Combined Diploma
☒ Apprenticeship

**DEGREES AT B&FC**

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**Your personal study programme includes:**

+ your chosen subject
+ relevant industry placement
+ regular progress meetings
+ career planning
+ employability skills
+ maths and English at the appropriate level

**Important**

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**Applying is easy!**

Read our applying guide on page 52.
CATERING AND HOSPITALITY

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The Fylde Coast is renowned for its expertise in the catering and hospitality industry, producing workers and managers who have gone on to leading positions around the world. Employment opportunities in this sector are endless, with progression routes which could take you to the very top of the industry.

Leading Lancashire-based employers range from small independent businesses to national chains such as Best Western and Travelodge.

INDUSTRY-READY

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Ribby Hall Village, Northcote, Twelve, Campbell & Rowley Events and Greenhalghs Craft Bakery.

“I’D STRONGLY ADVISE ANYONE THINKING OF A CATERING CAREER TO COME TO B&FC. START HERE AT THE COLLEGE - IT CAN TAKE YOU TO GREAT PLACES.”

Paul Rowley, Campbell & Rowley Events

NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS
302,002

OPENINGS A YEAR
15,413

AVERAGE SALARY
£16,500

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Head Chef
Craft Baker
Hospitality Supervisor

Get lots more careers information online - search ‘National Careers Service’
Careers data courtesy of EMSI and the Lancashire Skills and Employment Hub.
MEGAN LEE
(WENT TO BAINES)

MOCKTAIL DEMOS
AT BLACKPOOL
PLEASURE BEACH

SCOOPing First
PLACE IN THE ANNUAL
SKILLS CLASH

WINNING
TEAM

WW1 CENTENARY CUPCAKES
RAISE CASH FOR THE
ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

STUDENT
LOW-DOWN

“I completed my level 2 in Food and Beverage Service Skills and I’ve really enjoyed it. We had a trip to a Michelin-star restaurant and my tutor even helped me get a part-time job! Now I’m coming back to do my level 3.”

TOP TIP

“Go into it with an open mind.”

Come and find out for yourself!
See our list of open events on page 5.

YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE
+ Professional Food and Beverage Service Skills
+ Culinary Skills
+ Food Industry Skills
  (Kitchen/Bakery/Hospitality)
+ Food and Beverage Service Supervision
+ Professional Bakery
+ Professional Cookery
  (Preparation and Cooking)
+ Butchery or Fishmongery

STUDY MODE
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☑ Diploma
☐ Combined Diploma
☑ Apprenticeship

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TERMS AND CONDITIONS
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The childcare sector supports rewarding careers in nurseries, children’s centres, primary schools, and breakfast and afterschool clubs. You might want to consider becoming a self-employed childminder, a nanny or even a children’s holiday representative.

With experience you could specialise in working with children with learning difficulties, physical difficulties or mental health problems. Studying at degree level would allow you to move into management or early years teaching.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with Lancashire employers such as Sacred Heart Preschool, Carleton Childcare, Treetops, Layton Hill Nursery and Blackpool Children’s Centres.

“Our placement student has worked well alongside the children and practitioners and has now been offered a permanent role, which speaks volumes about her performance.”

Elizabeth King, Layton Hill Nursery

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

**INDUSTRY-READY**

**NORTH WEST JOB FACTS**

**JOBS**

57,616

**OPENINGS A YEAR**

3,100

**AVERAGE SALARY**

£18,100

**POPULAR CAREER ROUTES**

Early Years Practitioner

Educational Support Assistant

Early Years Teacher

Get lots more careers information online – search ‘National Careers Service’

Careers data courtesy of EMSI and National Careers Service.
STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“I’m a Resilience Coach studying the advanced Apprenticeship in Children and Young People’s Workforce at HeadStart and I love it. Helping young people is rewarding and I’ve learnt amazing skills and become more confident. I’ve had lots of opportunities I wouldn’t have had otherwise and I’ve found my future passion.”

TOP TIP

“Believe in yourself and you can achieve anything.”

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.

YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE

+ Early Years and Primary Teaching
+ Early Years Practitioner
+ Children and Young People’s Mental Health
+ Understanding Wellbeing
+ Children and Young People’s Workforce
+ Early Years Workforce
+ Teaching and Learning in Schools

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☑ Diploma
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Computing is a growth sector in the North West with the Fylde Coast, Liverpool and Manchester home to an increasing number of technology companies. These include relatively new start-ups as well as tech giants such as Google.

The career opportunities in this field are vast, and with the correct skill set you can expect a high average salary and quick progression into senior or even consulting roles.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with Lancashire employers such as Yellowphin – Web Design and Development, Blackpool Council, Fox’s Biscuits, AWOL Media and Charles Saer Community Primary School.

"PARTNERING WITH B&FC HAS BEEN GREAT. WE GAIN EAGER STUDENTS WHO ARE WILLING TO EXPAND THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS, WHO PROVIDE A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON TASKS AND PROBLEMS."

Yellowphin – Web Design and Development

Programmer/Software Development Professional
Network Engineer
Web Developer

Get lots more careers information online – search ‘National Careers Service’
Careers data courtesy of EMSI and Business Insider UK.
"I enjoy the practical aspects because as you’re learning you can also see the practical results. Each unit has a good balance of theory and industry practice, and the practice helps to explain the theory. The timetable is nicely balanced too, so you have time for fun and part-time work."

**TOP TIP**

“Try your best in everything and enjoy it!”

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IMPORTANT GCSE MATHS AND ENGLISH

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YOUR OPTIONS

**SUBJECTS AVAILABLE**

- Computing
- Computer Technologies
- Digital Marketing
- Digital Production, Design and Development

**STUDY MODE**

- T-level
- Extended Diploma
- Combined Diploma
- Apprenticeship

**DEGREES AT B&FC**

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CONSTRUCTION

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Lancashire is home to a thriving construction sector driven by major planned and ongoing commercial and residential developments, including Preston and South Ribble City Deal and the Enterprise Zone sites.

Leading construction employers in the region include BAAS Construction, Balfour Beatty, Laing O’Rourke and Eric Wright Group. The county is also a base for thousands of small construction companies and self-employed construction professionals.

INDUSTRY-READY
B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Willmott Dixon, New Look Construction Limited, Bammers Remedial Contractors, Marcus Worthington and Wyre Council.

“The people we engage with at the college are first rate; the staff are committed to improving the opportunities for their students.”

Richard Wright, Wilmott Dixon Construction Limited

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Project Manager
Quantity Surveyor
Joiner

Get lots more careers information online – search ‘National Careers Service’
Careers data courtesy of EMSI, Lancashire Skills and Employment Hub and National Careers Service.
STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“I started my brickwork apprenticeship with GST Development and I’ve now got a full-time job out of it. I really like it; it fit my way of learning, I was getting paid and I still had time for my social life. I’ve learnt a trade that’s set me up for life.”

TOP TIP

“Keep your head down and try your best”

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.

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IMPORTANT
GCSE MATHS AND ENGLISH

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CREATIVE ARTS, DESIGN AND PHOTOGRAPHY

INDUSTRY-READY

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Lightpool Festival

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Graphic Designer
Art Director
Photographer

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

In 2018, there were an estimated 5.3 million jobs in the Creative Arts sectors, accounting for 16% of all jobs across the UK. From 2011 to 2018, employment in the Creative Arts sectors grew at a faster rate than the UK as a whole.

Creative and digital businesses total 4,500 across Lancashire, with leading employers including Graham and Brown and MotionLab. In Manchester, creative hubs such as MediaCityUK and the Sharp Project are providing additional opportunities.

NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS
200,000

OPENINGS A YEAR
8,600

AVERAGE SALARY
£30,500

Get lots more careers information online – search ‘National Careers Service’

Careers data courtesy of EMSI and the Lancashire Skills & Employment Hub.
STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“I looked at other colleges but this was the perfect course for me so I couldn’t possibly choose anywhere else! The tutors show you how to do something and then leave you to it, so you get to do everything yourself and be independent.”

TOP TIP

“Don’t worry about making friends; it will happen!”

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YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE
+ Art and Design
+ Fashion and Textiles
+ Photography
+ Graphics and Digital Design

STUDY MODE
- T-level
- Extended Diploma
- Combined Diploma
- Apprenticeship

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Lancashire is one of the UK’s leading areas for advanced manufacturing and engineering. The increased need for skilled engineers across all industry sectors means there are excellent career opportunities available. Nearly 22,000 professionals need replacing by 2022. Engineering attracts the highest salaries for graduates and is consistently among the highest paid professions in the UK and internationally. In Lancashire, leading employers include BAE Systems, Leyland Trucks and Rolls Royce.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as BAE Systems, Westinghouse Springfields, EDF Energy, Airbus and Victrex.

“MUCH OF SPRINGFIELDS’ ENGINEERING WORKFORCE QUALIFIED THROUGH PROGRAMMES AT B&FC AND WE SEE THE BENEFIT OF A LOCAL COLLEGE PROVIDING QUALITY LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES.”

Keith Tidmarsh, Westinghouse Springfields

Get lots more careers information online - search ‘National Careers Service’

Careers data courtesy of EMSI and the Lancashire Skills & Employment Hub.
"There is a nice balance of theory and practical work, and you can use the skills you learn to actually make things. I made a small plane in my second year! I was a student rep for 2 years too - having something extra gives you more experience for real life."

**Top Tip**

"Keep on top of work deadlines!"

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.
HAIR, BEAUTY AND RELATED THERAPIES

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

With almost half of North West hair and beauty businesses registering a rise in turnover and customers in 2016, the industry is experiencing a growth period set to continue for the next few years.

Many people go on to set up their own business but others enjoy rewarding careers with major salons, on board cruise ships or within the film and TV industry.

INDUSTRY-READY

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Wella Professionals, Elemis, Steiner Recruitment, Huntsman Male Grooming Lounge, Ribby Hall Spa and Stanley House Hotel & Spa.

“WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH B&FC TO DEVELOP STUDENTS’ SKILLS AND KNOWLEDGE IN READINESS FOR SUSTAINABLE EMPLOYMENT.”

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NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS
20,185

OPENINGS A YEAR
1,162

AVERAGE SALARY
£17,500

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Hairdresser

Beauty Therapist

Nail Technician

Get lots more careers information online – search ‘National Careers Service’
Careers data courtesy of EMSI and Sally Salon Services’ annual Beautiful Britain Report.
ELOISE THOMPSON (WENT TO ST GEORGE’S) STUDENTS’ ‘FANTASY’ CREATION WINS SECOND PLACE

A DAY OUT AT PRO HAIR LIVE 2019

HUNTSMAN TEAM VISIT COLLEGE TO DEMO MALE GROOMING SKILLS

LATEST INDUSTRY TRENDS

STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“I switched from a different college but I’ve made friendships that have blossomed. It’s lovely. The tutors are supportive and will sit down and talk you through anything you don’t understand. I love that we can actually treat clients while we’re here!”

TOP TIP

“Don’t overthink it!”

Come and find out for yourself!
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YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE
+ Beauty Therapy
+ Hair and Make-up Artistry
+ Theatrical and Special Effects Make-up
+ Barbering
+ Ladies’ Hairdressing
+ Nail Services
+ Nail Technologies

STUDY MODE
☐ T-level
☒ Diploma
☐ Combined Diploma
☒ Apprenticeship

NEXT STEPS AT B&FC

If you successfully complete a full level 2 qualification with us and meet the entry criteria, we will guarantee you a place on one of our level 3 programmes.

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The health and social care sector is Lancashire's largest employment sector, employing 16% of the workforce. Like the rest of the UK, Lancashire has an ageing population (with the number of people over 65 set to rise by 23% in a decade) and more people with complex care needs living longer. This means that demand for health and care services is set to continue rising, creating a range of employment opportunities.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, Blackpool Council, Warren Manor, Annacliffe Residential Care Home and Bispham Gardens.

“BLACKPOOL TEACHING HOSPITALS ENJOYS AN EXCELLENT PARTNERSHIP WITH B&FC AND WE HAVE PROVIDED FANTASTIC OPPORTUNITIES FOR THOSE WANTING TO WORK IN THE HEALTH SECTOR.”

Eleanor McManus, Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

Popular Career Routes

Nurse
Paramedic
Midwife

Get lots more careers information online – search ‘National Careers Service’

Careers data courtesy of EMSI and the Lancashire Skills & Employment Hub.
“I enjoy the practical element of working in a medical environment. The skills I am learning are relevant when I go on placement and the career planning module helps you to understand what to do step-by-step to achieve your goals.”

**TOP TIP**

“Don’t let work build up or you won’t enjoy College.”

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**STUDENT LOW-DOWN**

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**YOUR OPTIONS**

**SUBJECTS AVAILABLE**

- Health and Social Care
- Understanding Mental Health
- Midwifery
- Social Work
- Medical Professions
- NHS Cadetship
- Nursing
- Paramedic
- Adult Care
- Health Science

**STUDY MODE**

- ✔️ T-level
- ✔️ Diploma
- ✔️ Combined Diploma
- ✔️ Apprenticeship

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There are plenty of exciting careers in the maritime sector to choose from – both on and offshore.

As a Deck, Engineering or Electro-technical Officer you could be in charge of operating and managing commercial ships. For shore-based jobs in ship management and other marine industries, you’ll find incredibly varied and rewarding opportunities such as maritime law, surveying ships or training future seafarers.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key employers such as Carnival UK, Shell, BP, Chiltern Maritime and Ship Safe Training Group Limited.

“WITH THEIR EXCELLENT NEW FACILITIES AND EXPERIENCED STAFF, FLEETWOOD NAUTICAL CAMPUS SUPPORT AND PROVIDE OUR OFFICERS AND CADETS WITH THE KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS REQUIRED FOR THE MARITIME INDUSTRY.”

Kristy Dawson, Carnival UK

North West Job Facts

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Merchant Navy Deck Officer

Merchant Navy Engineering Officer

Merchant Navy Rating

Get lots more careers information online at careersatsea.org

Careers data courtesy of EMSI
"I have always been excited about a life at sea, and the course helps you to see more of what it would really be like, especially through the College simulators. The ratio of practical to theory work is about 50/50, which I think is the perfect balance."

**Top Tip**
Show passion and commitment and just go for it!

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.

### STUDENT LOW-DOWN

**REAL-LIFE LEARNING**

**AMAZING FACILITIES**

**FULL MISSION SHIP’S BRIDGE SIMULATOR**

**4-DAY TEAM-BUILDING RESIDENTIAL**

**GET A HEADS-UP OF LIFE AT SEA**

**SEE US IN ACTION**

**CHALLENGE YOURSELF**

### YOUR OPTIONS

**SUBJECTS AVAILABLE**
- Deck Shipping and Maritime Operations
- Engineering Shipping and Maritime Operations

**STUDY MODE**
- T-level
- Diploma
- Combined Diploma
- Apprenticeship

**DEGREES AT B&FC**
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### YOUR PERSONAL STUDY PROGRAMME INCLUDES:
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MEDIA PRODUCTION, FILM AND TELEVISION

INDUSTRY-READY

The North West offers increasing opportunities in areas such as journalism, production, publishing, radio and television. Key clusters such as MediaCityUK, The Sharp Project and Liverpool Science Park are now home to 755 companies specialising in technology, media and telecoms activity.

With UK film crews, VFX (visual effects) and production services held in high regard throughout the world, rewarding careers await passionate, creative-minded individuals.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Blackpool Council, NHS England, Blackpool Coastal Housing, Lancashire Constabulary and Blackpool Carers Centre.

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Lightpool Festival

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Audio-Visual (AV) or Broadcasting Equipment Operator

Online Content Producer for YouTube and Vimeo

TV or Film Camera Operator/Editor

NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS

200,000

OPENINGS A YEAR

8,600

AVERAGE SALARY

£30,500

Get lots more careers information online - search 'National Careers Service'

Careers data courtesy of EMSI, Prolific North and Prospects.
“We have lots of opportunities to be creative, even with our written work and the programme covers themes you'd normally only do at degree level. We also work on live briefs and on group projects like a real film crew would. I've done quite a bit of producing already!”

**TOP TIP**

“It really helps with your communication skills.”

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.
PERFORMING ARTS AND MUSIC

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As a performer, you’ll need talent, dedication and determination to succeed. Musicians can either work alone or as part of a band, whereas acting roles might range from live stage performances of the classics and community theatre, to soap operas, radio work, television advertising and film parts.

With its lively music and entertainment scene, the North West is a good base from which to launch and grow your career.

INDUSTRY-READY

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key employers such as The Grand Theatre, Grundy Art Gallery, Winter Gardens, Up-Beat Rock Academy and MediaCityUK.

“THE GRAND THEATRE IS PROUD TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BLACKPOOL AND THE FYLDE COLLEGE.”

The Grand Theatre, Blackpool

NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS
200,000

OPENINGS A YEAR
8,600

AVERAGE SALARY
£30,500

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Actor

Musician

Director

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Careers data courtesy of EMSI and Prospects.
STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“The best thing about this course is that you get a chance to perform and make people smile. You’re taught by tutors who have been there and done it themselves, and everything they’re doing is preparing me to be a professional performer. There’s no place I’d rather be!”

TOP TIP

“Make friends and have fun!”

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YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE
+ Music Performance and Production
+ Performing Arts

STUDY MODE
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☐ Apprenticeship

DEGREES AT B&FC

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PUBLIC SERVICES
(UNIFORMED) BASED AT BISPHAM CAMPUS

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
There are more jobs available in public services than any other career path in the North West. People with the correct skills are in high demand and can benefit from long, well-paid careers with job security and fantastic progression routes.

This is a competitive field and progressing to degree level will open up even more opportunities for you, as will undertaking relevant voluntary experience.

INDUSTRY-READY
B&FC has amazing industry placements with key employers such as Lancashire Constabulary, Army Dog Unit, 4th Battalion Duke of Lancaster Regiment, Royal Airforce and Royal Navy, including Royal Marines Commandos.

“WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH BLACKPOOL AND THE FYLDE COLLEGE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AND OUR RELATIONSHIP GETS STRONGER AND STRONGER.”
Blackpool Football Club Community Trust

NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS
322,980

OPENINGS A YEAR
14,497

AVERAGE SALARY
£26,700

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Police Officer
Army/Naval Officer
Firefighter

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Careers data courtesy of EMSI and Prospects.
STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“You have a chance to learn both the theory and practical sides of the public services, and the fitness training is excellent. The College helped me to gain the role of Special Constable and it's been the best experience of my life so far. The support is brilliant.”

TOP TIP

“Be calm, relaxed and prepared and you’ll be fine.”

Come and find out for yourself! See our list of open events on page 5.

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PROGRAMME INCLUDES:
+ your chosen subject
+ relevant industry placement
+ regular progress meetings
+ career planning
+ employability skills
+ maths and English at the appropriate level

IMPORTANT
GCSE MATHS AND ENGLISH

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YOUR OPTIONS

MODULES INCLUDE
+ Understanding Discipline
+ Planning and Managing Major Incidents
+ Command and Control Police Powers
+ Legal Systems and The Public Services
+ Outdoor and Adventurous Activities
+ Land Navigation

STUDY MODE
☐ T-level
☑ Extended Diploma
☑ Combined Diploma
☐ Apprenticeship

DEGREES AT B&FC

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Scientists are among the most highly paid professionals in the North West, with opportunities available within research organisations, manufacturing and engineering companies, universities, schools, hospitals and government departments.

According to research by the Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry, a surge in R&D investment in Lancashire's life sciences sector over the next decade will create 3,200 extra skilled jobs and more than £238m of extra growth.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust, Blackpool Zoo, Environment Agency, Victrex and Kommerling (HB Fuller).

“It is incredibly rewarding when we see students who have come to us on a work experience placement and then later, we employ them as our doctors, nurses, allied health professionals, healthcare scientists and support staff.”

Blackpool Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

**NORTH WEST JOB FACTS**

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Careers data courtesy of EMSI
STUDENT LOW-DOWN

“There is a good blend of theory and practical work, and lots of experiments. The support is brilliant – you are never stuck on a piece of work for long and you don't feel any pressure. I also got to go on a really interesting placement at the hospital!”

TOP TIP

“Grasp the opportunity with both hands and just enjoy it!”

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YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE

+ Biomedical Science
+ Forensic and Analytical Science
+ Animal Science
+ Health Science

STUDY MODE

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SPORT, LEISURE AND RECREATION

INDUSTRY-READY

The North West has a vibrant sports heritage, with Manchester’s Sportcity home to national centres for squash and cycling and the region providing a quarter of England’s Premier League football teams. Consequently, talented physiotherapists, nutritionists and fitness coaches are in high demand.

As sport and leisure gains political momentum (owing to the growing popularity of holistic and preventative healthcare), even more career opportunities are likely to emerge.

B&FC has amazing industry placements with key Lancashire employers such as Fleetwood Town, The Gym, Tee Time Golf, Cybelé Cycle Hub and YMCA.

“WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH BLACKPOOL AND THE FYLDE COLLEGE FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS AND OUR RELATIONSHIP GETS STRONGER AND STRONGER.”

Blackpool Football Club Community Trust

NORTH WEST JOB FACTS

JOBS
26,893

OPENINGS A YEAR
1,432

AVERAGE SALARY
£20,500

POPULAR CAREER ROUTES

Gym, Leisure or Sports Manager

Sport and Exercise Scientist

Sports Coach

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Careers data courtesy of EMSI.
“With this course, I have a good chance of achieving my dream job as a personal trainer. The practical and theory element is pretty much an equal balance, which is fun. I also got to do the National Citizen Service, which was really exciting!”

“Be confident and get involved!”

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YOUR OPTIONS
SUBJECTS AVAILABLE
+ Personal Training and Gym Instruction
+ Sport
+ Sport (Development, Coaching and Fitness)

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TRAVEL AND TOURISM

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
In Lancashire the visitor economy (tourism) contributes £3.7bn per year to the county’s economy, and Lancashire has a vision to be ‘one of the top 5 English counties for a short break or family holiday’.

The continued growth of the sector is creating opportunities for young people in locations such as Lancaster, Ribble Valley and the Forest of Bowland but particularly in Blackpool, Lancashire’s number one visitor destination.

INDUSTRY-READY
B&FC has amazing industry placements with key employers such as Thomas Cook, easyJet, Haven Holidays, Pleasure Beach and Merlin Entertainments.

“The college is really in tune with what businesses need now for their workforce. We’re very lucky to have an ongoing relationship with the college. It’s ticking all the boxes.”

Merlin Entertainments

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Careers data courtesy of EMSI and the Lancashire Skills & Employment Hub.
YOUR OPTIONS

SUBJECTS AVAILABLE
+ Travel and Tourism
+ Travel Consultancy
+ Hospitality
+ Conferencing and Events

STUDY MODE
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FIVE STEPS TO APPLYING AT B&FC

1. COMPLETE AN APPLICATION
As soon as you’ve made your decision apply online. Find your chosen course and click ‘Apply’. Our College and School Liaison Team can also help you to make your application when they visit your school.

2. ATTEND AN INTERVIEW
Your next step is to attend an interview. This is your chance to meet a tutor and ask any questions you may have. It also allows us to make sure you are on the right path to achieving your career goals. Before your interview you’ll be advised of anything else you need to do such as bringing in samples of your artwork or auditioning with your chosen instrument. At your interview you will be given details of your offer.

3. CONFIRM YOUR OFFER
Following your interview, we’ll write to you with full details of your offer, including any entry requirements you’ll need to meet. We’ll also ask you to confirm your acceptance of this offer. It’s really important you do this quickly so that we can reserve a place for you on your chosen course.

4. ATTEND A TASTER DAY
We will invite you to our pre-College taster events where you can meet your future fellow students and take part in subject-related activities. We’ll send you details of these nearer the time.

5. ENROL
Enrolment takes place on GCSE results day and is when you officially become a College student. We’ll write to you beforehand to let you know where and when to go, and what to bring with you. If you don’t get the grades you need don’t worry, we’ll make sure you’re placed on a suitable, related course.

WANT TO DO AN APPRENTICESHIP?
The application process for becoming an apprentice is slightly different. Here’s what you need to do:

1. Apply online by finding your chosen apprenticeship and clicking ‘Apply’. It’s really important that you also apply for a full-time course. Just in case you don’t find an employer by September 2020.

2. Register on GetMyFirstJob.co.uk and start to look for suitable positions.

3. Attend our Get Matched events, where you can check current vacancies and meet the employers who can get you started.

4. Get work-ready. We’ll invite you in to help you prepare a CV, register to get matched to your ideal vacancy and practise your interview technique.

5. Complete assessments in English, maths and ICT. You will receive an invitation.

6. As soon as an apprenticeship becomes available, we’ll let you know. If it doesn’t you can start a full-time course in September and transfer over as soon as an apprenticeship becomes available.

STAY IN TOUCH
At any stage of the application process, we’re around to help and advise – just contact us:

T 01253 504 322
E admissions@blackpool.ac.uk

DON’T FORGET TO LET US KNOW IF YOUR CONTACT DETAILS CHANGE SO WE CAN KEEP IN TOUCH.
LET’S GET SOCIAL

Being a part of B&FC’s social community means you’ll be kept up-to-date with what’s going on and be able to explore ways of getting involved. Our Instagram page is the place where you can have your say, take part in polls, direct message with any queries and win prizes.

NOW IT’S YOUR TURN...
Share a photo on Instagram featuring your favourite part of B&FC for your chance to win an iPad mini. All you need to do is tag @blackpoolcollege in your post, hit upload and then keep those fingers crossed.

GET CREATIVE...
Our favourite photos will feature on the B&FC Instagram page.

AND THE WINNER IS...
The winner will be announced at B&FC’s Open Event, Wednesday 6 November 2019 via our Instagram account.

WIN AN IPAD MINI!

GOOD LUCK!

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GROW YOUR CONFIDENCE IN A SIMULATED WORKPLACE ENVIRONMENT

EQUALITY FOR ALL
B&FC is committed to equality, diversity and wellbeing in all its activities for everyone who learns and works here. We respect and value difference in race and ethnic origin, gender, disability, mental health, sexual orientation, age, religion and belief, additional learning, economic and social background.

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REGULAR EXHIBITIONS IN OUR STUNNING GALLERY
IN THE TOP 2% OF COLLEGES IN ENGLAND FOR SCHOOL LEAVER SUCCESS²

THAT'S A LOT OF HIGH ACHIEVERS

WHAT'S ON AND WHEN

OPEN EVENTS:
- Saturday 21 September 2019 10am-2pm
- Wednesday 6 November 2019 4.30-7pm
- Saturday 11 January 2020 10am-2pm
- Wednesday 4 March 2020 4.30-7pm
- Saturday 20 June 2020 10am-2pm

MEET THE EXPERTS:
- Wednesday 4 December 2019 4.30-7pm
- Wednesday 5 February 2020 4.30-7pm
- Wednesday 29 April 2020 4.30-7pm

Go to the Bispham Campus or University Centre – check online for where to go and how to get there: blackpool.ac.uk/events

MARITIME AND NAUTICAL OPEN EVENTS
- Thursday 14 November 2019 1.30-4.30pm
- Saturday 18 January 2020 10am-2pm

These are held separately at the Fleetwood Nautical Campus – check online for how to get there: fleetwoodnautical.blackpool.ac.uk/nautical/events

1Internal destination data
²National Achievement Rate Tables (NARTs) from the Department for Education & Education and Skills Funding Agency 2017/18