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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Current students at DCG

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Prospective students of DCG

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Student Support Fund

We are currently processing new bursary applications, it is still not too late to apply. Students who are eligible can receive financial support to help pay towards course related costs, such as equipment, trips, travel to and from College and meals while they are on a College programme. Forms and advice are available at Student Service desks on every campus.



Parent and Carer Support Group

DCG Parent and Carer Support Group

DCG truly value the input from parents and carers, and we want to support you and your children through their journey of education.

We have created a Parent and Carer Support Group on Facebook, as a place for you to:

- Access resources and content related to well-being, careers, study skills, working from home etc.
- Ask questions and offer suggestions related to College.
- Network and support other parents and carers.
- Showcase some of the great work that's happening within College.

The page is managed by the Student Progression Coaches from each campus who can answer your queries.

Join the group [Parent and Carer Support Group](#)



NEXT STEPS FOCUS

For those students who are leaving us this summer and are looking for work and apprenticeship opportunities there are a high number of opportunities available on the [National Apprenticeship website](#) and on the [DCG Apprenticeship page](#).

We've put together a few highlights including job opportunities and events supporting jobseekers below;

National Job Fairs 2021 (face to face events)

These Free Entry Job Fairs are running at a number of venues in our local area. They give a range of employers who have job vacancies the opportunity to meet job seekers. The events will have employers from various industries present and also feature training/apprenticeships courses, careers advice and business enterprise/self-employment opportunities, giving your child the opportunity to make a great first impression and put their face and personality to their paper CV.

The dates and venues for our area are:

Derby: 9th July 2021 at Pride Park Stadium

Leicester: 16th July 2021 at Welford Road Stadium

Stoke-on-Trent:- 30th July 2021 at Double Tree Stoke, Hilton Hotel

Nottingham: 6th August 2021 at Meadow Lane Stadium

[Click here to find out more.](#)

EXCITING VACANCY! Trainee Quantity Surveyor (Degree Apprenticeship) vacancy at Geo Hodges and Son Ltd (based in Burton-upon-Trent).

This exciting opportunity is aimed at students who are finishing their A Levels/a Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma (or equivalent) this summer and would be keen to start a part-time University degree at Nottingham Trent University in September 2021, whilst also working full time for the company. All University course fees are covered by the Company.

What's a Quantity Surveyor? [Find out here.](#)

Who are Geo Hodges and Son Ltd? [Find out here.](#)

What's the course at Nottingham Trent? [Find out here.](#)

What are the entry requirements? Students who are applying must have grades 4/C or above in GCSE Maths and English Language, plus; A-levels at grades BBC or BTEC Extended Diploma at grades DMM; or 112 UCAS Tariff points from three A-levels or equivalent qualifications (for advice on entry qualifications/UCAS points and/or a detailed job description please email the Careers team; careers@derby-college.ac.uk)

How to apply: students are asked to send their CV, with a covering email, to the company's Managing Surveyor, James Brown at: James.Brown@Hodges.co.uk you can also contact James Brown if you have any questions prior to applying.

The company will review CV applications they receive until the end of June 2021. Please remind your child that the Careers team can offer advice on CVs. We can help make sure it is presenting your child and their relevant skills/experience, in the most effective way.

For Level 3, Year 2 students who are leaving this year and are progressing to university:

IMPORTANT DEADLINE! UCAS reply by deadlines

If your child has applied through UCAS this year, please encourage them to regularly check their UCAS Track, as this will tell them which date they are required to reply to any offers they have received (they will receive reminder emails about this from UCAS as well). If they do not reply (via their UCAS Track) by their given date, all their offers will be automatically declined.

The next 'reply by' dates are;

- If they received their last decision on or before **20 May 2021**, their reply date is **10 June 2021** (except if they are using Extra to find a place)
- If they receive their last decision on or before **6 July 2021**, their reply date is **14 July 2021** (including Extra choices)

[Further details on replying to offers, can be found by clicking here.](#)

Please get in touch with the Careers team for any UCAS related questions, including support with Student Finance applications. The team will be available to advise on Clearing/Adjustment, and other UCAS related issues, from A-level results day on 10th August.

Amazon Future Engineer Bursary Scheme

This new bursary is aimed at females from low income households* who will be studying a Computer Science/Engineering related course at Kings College London, University of Manchester, the University of Edinburgh or University of Cambridge in 2021-22.

*More details on the criteria (e.g.- household income/university) can be found on the individual University's websites

For students returning to college in September who are researching option choices and future progression for their next steps;

Virtual UK University and Apprenticeship Search Fair - Wednesday 16th June- 12.00-6.00pm

Featuring a wide range of exhibitors who will be offering a large number of useful webinars, including;

*Clearing: Applying for Highly Education (University) to start this year

*UCAS Personal Statement and Choosing a Course advice for our current level 3, year 1 students

*Plus, sessions on Degree Apprenticeships, Student Finance and specific support and advice for parents/carers.

[Find out more, and register to attend.](#)

Virtual Health Care Careers Open Day - Tuesday 22nd June 2021- 3.00pm and 6.00pm

A great opportunity to find out more about the job roles and opportunities available at Nottingham University Hospitals (NUH) and within healthcare across Nottinghamshire.

The event will consist of an initial 20 minute introduction and overview, covering the different types of roles in health, working at NUH, choosing a career in health, and more. There will then be the opportunity to learn more about the variety and breadth of roles available at NUH in more detail, via a number of virtual workshops (approx. 20 mins in duration)

Areas that will be covered, include: Healthcare Science • Pathology • Radiology • Nursing and Midwifery • Allied Health Professionals (Therapists - e.g. Physiotherapist, Occupational Therapist) • Pharmacy • Estates and Facilities • Administration and Clerical

There will also be the opportunity to take part in an interactive session focussing on making a job application, how to get shortlisted and top tips for interviews.

[Find out more and book here.](#)

From September 2021 - for then Level 3, Year 2 students

UCAS FOCUS - there will be on-going support with the UCAS application process - building on the work started this year with the Progression Fair, a Researching Options session and the Personal Statement Writing exercise.

To book a Careers appointment, for support with a range of careers education and guidance issues, including support with their next step, all students, or parents/carers, can

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Twice weekly rapid COVID-19 testing

Test at home. Report online. Keep life moving.

Testing at home is a great way to help us prevent the spread of the virus if someone has the virus but is asymptomatic. So this is an easy way for students to help. If your child hasn't already picked up their supply of Lateral Flow Home Tests then we would urge them to do so – they are available for collection from:

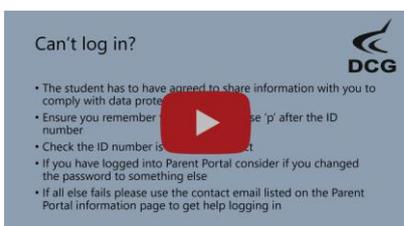
Roundhouse – Student Services
Joseph Wright Centre – Main Reception
Broomfield – Main Reception
Ilkeston – Main Reception

or order from [Order coronavirus \(COVID-19\) rapid lateral flow tests - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests)



Parent Voice

Your views matter to us and the feedback you provide will help us shape the service we provide your son, daughter or child in your care at Derby College. If you would like to tell us your views please email [Parent Voice](mailto:parentvoice@derbycollege.ac.uk)



Parent Portal

This video shows you what Parent Portal is and how you can access it.

LATEST NEWS



DCG GROUP AND STUDENT CLINCH NATIONAL AWARDS

Derby College Group's (DCG) Student Mental Health Society and the role of one of its key members have been recognised with national awards.

The society and the work of A Level student Bhavandeep Bains in this and other activities was amongst more than 500 entries for The National Societies and Volunteering Awards which celebrate student volunteering and societies in UK colleges and universities. [Find out more.](#)



DCG STUDENTS CREATE MEMORY BOXES FOR LOCAL CARE HOME RESIDENTS

Health and Social Care students at Derby College Group (DCG) have created more than 30 Memory Boxes for residents in local care homes.

The students, who are based at The Roundhouse technical and professional college in Pride Park, have made three types of boxes which now being delivered to various care homes.

[Find out more.](#)



DCG AGRICULTURE STUDENTS HIGHLY COMMENDED IN NATIONAL COMPETITION

[Agriculture](#) students from Derby College Group's (DCG) Broomfield Hall land-based and leisure college in Morley have been highly commended in a national farm planning competition.

It was the first time that Broomfield Hall had put a team forward for the Institute of Agricultural Management's Farm Planner competition which was held virtually this year and open to all UK Further Education and Higher Education colleges.

[Find out more.](#)



DCG foundation degree student Georgia glad she fell into business.

Student Georgia Herbert admits that she 'fell' into studying business at Derby College but is pleased at how well everything turned out.

She is now on the [Foundation Degree study programme in Business and Management](#) at the Roundhouse, but that wasn't her original plan.

[Find out more.](#)



EMPLOYERS OFFERED CASH BOOST FOR T-LEVEL PLACEMENTS

Technical education regional pioneers Derby College Group (DCG) have welcomed a Government initiative to encourage more employers to provide students with work experience as part of their study programme.

[Find out more.](#)

Adult study programmes at DCG

Adult Students come to Derby College for many reasons. You may be looking for a promotion at work; have your sights set on progressing to Higher Education; be at a stage in life when you can return to the workplace; be ready for a change in career; planning to start your own business or want a new hobby or leisure interest.



Adult Courses at Ilkeston

We've got an exciting range of short adult learning courses for those who want to get back into education, want to refresh their knowledge or are looking for a new hobby now the kids are back at school.

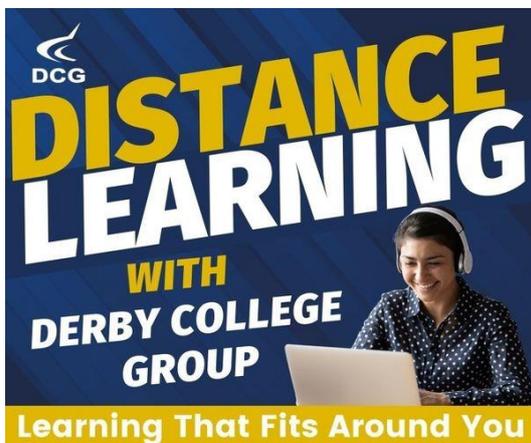
[Find out more.](http://www.derby-college.ac.uk/ilkeston-adult-learning)



Retrain-Reskill-Reinvent

From April onwards some of our courses will be FREE for adults depending on your personal circumstances. There are a range of Distance Learning courses to boost your career or pursue a new interest. Distance learning is an ideal way to gain a nationally recognised qualification, or develop your skills while studying online in your own time and in the comfort of your home.

[Find out more about courses starting in April.](#)



Distance Learning that fits around you

Distance learning is the ideal way to develop your skills, boost your career and pursue new interests.

- Fit convenient, affordable learning around your work and home life
- Study at home or on the go - at any time and from anywhere
- Access engaging study materials from a range of devices
- Use our easy-to-navigate remote learning platform.
- Gain expert support from our remote learning specialists
- Work towards recognised qualifications from first aid to food safety
- Improve your career prospectus with skills in customer service, IT, communication plus more.....

[To find out more please visit the College website, Remote learning page.](#)



Part-time Adult Courses

We have many exciting Part-time Adult learning opportunities on offer at DCG which could help you transform your life through learning. Whatever your reasons, Derby College can help you reach even higher as you achieve new goals and discover exciting opportunities. Study with Derby College Group (DCG) and you will join a community made for people like you. [View Part-time Adult courses.](#)

DID YOU KNOW? Those with Level 2 Literacy and Numeracy skills earn on average an additional **£3,000** PER YEAR

Source: Skills for Life Needs and Impact Survey

FREE Adult Maths and English courses

Do you want to improve your skills and prospects? Do you need an up-to-date maths or English qualification on your CV? Have you been away from education for a while and are now keen to refresh your skills? Would you like to be confident in helping your children with their homework? **Then why not consider a FREE Adult Maths and English course at Derby College?**

[Read More.](#)



ACCESS COURSES AT DCG

Are you interested in degree level study but worried because you don't have the traditional qualifications you need? Have you been out of education for a while? Do you need to rebuild your confidence to achieve your ambitions?

You can take Access courses at both our Roundhouse campus and our new campus in Ilkeston (Pimlico), bringing all the benefits of a Derby College education even closer to home. [Find out more about the Access courses DCG can offer you.](#)

DERBY COLLEGE GROUP
HIGHER EDUCATION GUIDE
2021-2022
NEW

NEW HIGHER EDUCATION GUIDE OUT NOW! 2021 is your year to choose the next stage of your career path!

If you are considering higher education, you are about to make a decision which will change your life. It is vital to research thoroughly, think carefully and choose wisely – and this prospectus is an excellent starting point.

At Derby College Group (DCG), we recognise that higher education is a sound investment in your future. Whether you want to gain an edge in the job market, enhance your promotion prospects or even chart a completely new career direction, we can help you to achieve your ambitions. [View the Higher Education Guide now.](#)

STEP UP TO HIGHER EDUCATION WITH DERBY COLLEGE GROUP

HIGHER EDUCATION AT DCG

If university seems like a big step, then why not stay local and continue your studies at Derby College Group?

At Derby College Group we offer a wide range of HE (Higher Education) programmes that are linked to a range of universities - Derby University, Nottingham University and Sheffield Hallam, both full-time and part-time courses.

Higher Education at DCG will open doors for your future career choice, choose a university level programme from one of the following subjects:

- [Animal Management and Animal Management \(Zoo and Wildlife\)](#)
- [Business](#)
- [Computer Science and Digital](#)
- [Creative Practice](#)
- [Engineering](#)
- [Equine](#)
- [Health, Social Care and Childcare \(Early Years\)](#)
- [Professional Construction](#)
- [Professional Education, Training and Development](#)
- [Public Services: Criminology and Criminal Justice](#)
- [Retail](#)
- [Sport](#)

[Find out more and Apply now.](#)

Funding available for Adults

Advanced Learner Loan

Advanced Learner Loans

Qualify now, pay later ... with an Advanced Learner Loan If you're 19 or older, you can apply for a loan to help with the costs of a Derby College Group course.

If you are aged 19 or over, you could now qualify for a new type of loan to help pay for your tuition fees as you prepare for your next step up the career ladder.

[Find out more.](#)

ADULT EDUCATION BUDGET (AEB) FUNDING

Tens of thousands of adults on low wages can see their training fully funded.

Free courses for individuals earning less than £16,009.50

Up until now, unemployed adults have had to have been on benefits to receive full funding for education courses. But the radical adult education budget has opened the door to a huge number of other adults on low wages earning less than £16,009.50.



FIND OUT MORE.

