

Upload Newsletter



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Welcome to Upload!

It's been another exciting year at Redcar & Cleveland College and in this edition of Upload you can read all about it.

With some of our students enjoying great success in a top construction competition and a work placement leading to a job offer, there's no better proof that the College really can inspire you to go further and achieve more.

Just read on to see what the College can do for you!

There's still time to apply

If you've just completed your exams and you're eagerly awaiting your results, but not sure what you want to do after the summer, then come and talk to us.

We have a wide range of full-time and work-based learning courses available to you, so whatever your area of interest we'll aim to help.

Also, by enrolling on a course at Redcar & Cleveland College, you'll be choosing to study at one of the best performing colleges in the region.

Don't forget, we can arrange a careers interview with you so you can seriously consider all your options for college, and your career, before the course starts.

If you are still unsure about your next step, just ring or call into the College. Our friendly staff are available all through the summer holidays to give you information and help you make the right choice.



For all of you who are eagerly awaiting your exam results we wish you good luck.

Five star work placement turns to job success for talented Faye

A talented beauty therapy student has scooped a job at one of the region's top spas after completing a successful work placement there.

Faye Robinson, ex-Sacred Heart RC School was offered the position of Junior Therapist at Rockliffe Hall after undertaking a three-day placement at the hotel's five star spa as part of her Level 3 course in Beauty Therapy.

During her time at the spa, Faye had the opportunity to take part in training sessions for the therapists, sit in on treatments and even experience some of the spa's world-class treatments herself.



Faye Robinson

“As soon as we were told that we'd be able to go on a spa placement at the start of the year I wanted to go

to Rockliffe Hall because it has such a good reputation in the industry,” said Faye.

“The placement was hard work, but really enjoyable and to be offered a job at the end of it is just a dream come true,” she added.

Debbie Wilson, Faye's tutor at Redcar & Cleveland College, said:

“We have been steadily growing the numbers of professional placements over the last few years and we have seen a number of employment opportunities come for our students as a result. Faye's experience at Rockliffe is a great example of how a placement can lead to a direct offer of a job.”

Support for full-time students

Redcar & Cleveland College offers eligible students a support package to assist with costs associated with their studies.

For more information contact Student Services on **01642 473132**.

Open evenings

A great opportunity to come and speak to tutors and current students, find out about our wide range of courses and see our excellent facilities.

Open evenings are held in October and February each year. Contact us for details.

College course helps to engineer career choice for shining star Mellisa

Taking part in an innovative partnership between local secondary schools and the College has resulted in an unexpected career choice for a young student.

Mellisa Haigh, from Bydales School took part in the Curriculum Enhancement Programme at Redcar & Cleveland College, where she studied for one day a week towards a Level 2 Diploma in Engineering alongside her GCSE studies.

Her time at the College has led her to pursue a career in engineering and she has now enrolled on an engineering Apprenticeship starting in September.

Mellisa's achievements were recognised when she was awarded



Mellisa Haigh

the title of Best Overall Student on the Higher Diploma in Engineering course at the College's annual Shine Awards.

Record haul of medals for College at top construction competition

Students from the College scooped a record haul of medals recently at a prestigious competition designed to test their skills to the limit.

The regional heats of the National SkillBuild competition, which took place at the College, saw students from across the north east compete in a range of construction categories from joinery to painting and decorating with the aim of progressing through to the national finals later in the year.

Amongst the Gold Medal winners was painting and decorating student Maddison Allenden, who triumphed in the Advanced Painting and Decorating category.

Maddison, ex-Rye Hills School, who is studying Level 2 Diploma in Painting and Decorating at the College, was one of two girls taking part in her section of the competition. She was tasked with reproducing a



Maddison Allenden

complex series of murals as well as demonstrating her skills in wallpapering and other related techniques.

Speaking after winning her award, Maddison said: "I've worked really hard to prepare for the competition and to win a gold medal is just amazing!"

Course Focus

Careers in science

Forensic Science students at Redcar & Cleveland College are gaining the knowledge that can lead on to a wide range of careers.

The Forensic (Applied) Science BTEC National Diploma Level 2 and 3 courses include practical, real-life study such as scientific investigations, genetics and chemical analysis.

Many students who have previously enrolled on this course go on to study related subjects at a higher level and enjoy careers such as Forensic Science, Pathology, Clinical Sciences, Pharmacy, Waste Management and Zoology.

For details of our Forensic Science course, please visit the College website.

Hearing challenge doesn't curb success for ambitious Nathan

One College student hasn't let the challenge of being profoundly deaf stop him achieving his goal after successfully completing a College course and gaining a university place.

18-year-old Nathan Falcon, ex-King's Academy, Middlesbrough, has landed a place on the Creative Digital Media course at Teesside University after completing a Level 3 course in Art and Design at the College and is hoping this will lead to a career in graphic design.

"My tutors and friends at College have been really supportive, which has helped me to gain a lot of confidence in myself and my ability to carry out my studies," says Nathan.

Nathan was one of over 35 students who showed off their work at the College's end of year exhibition recently. Many of the students who exhibited are progressing on to university courses along with Nathan."



Nathan Falcon

Steps to enrolment

1. Choosing the course

For advice on all the course and career options available to you, call Student Services on: 01642 473132.

2. Making an application

Forms can be requested by calling 01642 473132 or by visiting www.cleveland.ac.uk

3. Coming for an interview

You will be invited to an interview where you will get the chance to ask questions. Parents are welcome.

4. Enrolling

Once you have received and accepted an offer for a place on a course, the College will keep in touch with you until the time for enrolment.

Still unsure about what to do?

Just contact Student Services and we'll be happy to help: **01642 473132**.

Join

Join In - get more out!

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THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The College's Join programme offers students the opportunity to take part in an exciting range of activities throughout the course of the year.

There are lots of sporting activities to get involved with, through the volunteering and leadership academy, team sports, exercise and fitness classes, British College Sport, and free gym membership at TS10 Fitness Suite.

Plus there is the chance to do something a little out of the ordinary with our range of social clubs and activities.

Current activities that our students are taking part in include: kayaking, digital games club, Duke of Edinburgh, mountain biking, football, boxercise, African drumming, badminton, rugby and volleyball to name but a few.

Upgrade to Reload

Moving up to Year 11 is a special time – not only because of GCSEs, but because that's when we upgrade you from your fantastic Upload membership to the outstanding Reload membership.

Reload has all of the same great features as Upload but with brilliant extra benefits.

Visit the website for further details: www.cleveland.ac.uk/under-16-s/reload

Main enrolment dates:

Tuesday
23 August
10am – 8pm

Wednesday
24 August
10am – 8pm

Thursday
25 August
10am – 8pm

Friday
26 August
10am – 4pm

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Free travel

All our full-time students under the age of 19 can travel FREE to and from College on buses running throughout the area. For more information and a copy of the timetable visit www.cleveland.ac.uk