

# **Courses for Adults**

Empowering residents to realise their full potential

## 2025/2026

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# Welcome to LEARN HOUNSLOW



As the Cabinet Member for Education, Children, Skills and Employment, I am delighted to welcome you to this year's **LEARN HOUNSLOW** Course Guide, which gives you an introduction to the types of courses Learn Hounslow offers, how to enrol and where to find our learning centres.

The service continues to offer an extensive range of courses for adults to choose from, whether you want to develop your personal skills, get physically and mentally fitter, or gain a qualification essential for work. We want to ensure that your learning is enjoyable, successful and helps to transform your life. Alongside the courses, all learners have access to information, advice and guidance on education, skills and employment from our Work Hounslow colleagues. We can offer impartial advice to help you choose the right course or provide information on appropriate next steps including career development and employment opportunities.

I hope you enjoy looking through the subjects on offer and find an area which inspires you.

## Councillor Samia Chaudhary

Cabinet Member for Education, Children, Skills and Employment

# **About Us**

LEARN HOUNSLOW is a provider of Adult and Community Education and is part of the London Borough of Hounslow council. The teaching and learning we provide is funded by the Greater London Authority's Adult Skills Fund (ASF). We are an Ofsted 'Good' provider, and the information, advice and guidance we offer is Matrix accredited.

We offer a wide range of courses. There are short informal courses to get you into something or support your wellbeing. You can study for qualifications so you can build skills to get into work or an apprenticeship opportunity, or progress at work and advance your career. We also have courses to enhance your employability, your own business, your personal development and to support your children's education.

Learn Hounslow is always looking to increase its work with voluntary and community groups and other partners, to ensure that learning opportunities reach those most in need and provide new opportunities to our residents who have not thought about returning to learning before.

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# Focus for 2025/2026

#### **Higher Skills**

Learn Hounslow provides structured pathways that support learners from initial engagement in wellbeing courses through to Level 3 qualifications. These pathways are designed to build confidence, develop skills, and prepare you for progression into higher education and work. Learners are supported in exploring a range of opportunities, including access to university, participation in Skills Bootcamps, and other advanced learning routes. The service offers guidance throughout your learning journey to help you make informed decisions about your educational and professional futures.

#### Health & Wellbeing

Good health and wellbeing are essential for happiness, learning, and personal growth. Learn Hounslow offers courses in cooking for a healthy heart, microbiome, and menopause, alongside fitness classes in yoga and Pilates to maintain physical health. Additionally, you can join creative craft courses for wellbeing and seek advice from council services and the NHS Wellbeing College at our Community Hub to support your overall physical and mental health.

#### Advanced Qualifications

Take your learning to the next level as part of your professional career with our Level 3 offer; our offer can help your career in Early years, Business or working with those with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities. The offer includes courses in AAT Accounting, Understanding Autism, and Support in Teaching and Learning. We are also introducing a Level 3 Award in Preparing to Work in Home-based Childcare. These courses are free for those who wish to study at this level for the first time.

#### Free Courses - Your Entitlements

Learning towards certain specific qualifications is free for everyone who doesn't yet have them. Make sure you don't miss out on your entitlement for these essentials which you can learn with us: Functional Skills and GCSE English and Maths, Essential Digital Skills Qualifications and National Skills Fund offer (see Advanced Qualifications – Level 3).

#### New for ESOL

Choosing a career pathway can be daunting. Our E3 Award in Progression Pathway - Professional and Personal offer will help you develop the skills and knowledge that employers require or to progress through onto further study. We also offer new ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) courses tailored to support asylum seekers. These courses aim to help asylum seekers adapt to life in the UK by improving language skills and building confidence for everyday situations and future opportunities.

#### **Breaking into Creative Industries**

Whether you are seeking creative self-employment, additional income or to break into one of London's growing creative sectors, we have pathways leading up to qualification level in a range of different arts including pottery, photography, make-up artistry, textiles and cake decorating. Additionally there is a range of short courses in business, website design and workplace finances to start your journey into a creative career.

# Into work: Employability skills for everyone

A series of three workshops on CV writing, cover letter writing and interview skills for anyone wanting to return to work after a career break. These workshops are designed to build confidence and provide support with the skills needed to re-enter the workplace now.

## Learning with LearnHounslow

## **Learning Pathways**

on a gualification, this can be in digital skills, creative, health, wellbeing and

more!

#### **Digital Skills**

All our courses will enable you to develop digital knowledge and skills alongside the course subject. This includes using a learner email account and completing the London Learner Survey. Your tutor will make sure you have the digital skills and technology you need to achieve your learning.



#### Welcoming Environment

We offer excellent facilities. such as a Lounge to meet, relax and learn independently, space for exhibitions and events. and fully equipped Pottery and Art Studios, Kitchen, and IT classrooms.

#### **Community Hub and Library**

Access to a library and other council services at Meadowbank, such as health checks and employment support on selected days.



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Our courses are designed so you can find your starting point and then take learning forward to build your skills and knowledge through a series of courses.

For example, you might start with a taster or well-being course as a beginner and then build your skills towards a qualification, advancing through the levels as you go.

Our staff can provide you with the Information, Advice and Guidance about learning that you need at each stage. Our course offer is organised alphabetically, under subject area headings on pages 12-22.

	Entry-Level	Level 1	Level 2 Recognised	Level 3 Recognised advanced level
Pre-Entry Courses for learners who are at the very beginning of their learning journey.	For beginner learners to develop their skills gradually. Starting at Entry Level 3, you will get a basic, introductory set of knowledge and skills.	At this level, learners will gain a variety of transferable skills and an introduction to subject specific industries. This level supports learners in	GCSE equivalent. Learners will gain the knowledge and skills to practice professionally, or work in a specific industry. Learners can progress onto further	equivalent. Learners will develop a deeper knowledge and expert skills to work independently and supervise others, increase their earning
Courses For all learners to le beginner to advance	ed Skills-Based	preparing for next steps in learning such as GCSEs, Level 2 or moving towards employment.	learning or enter employment in their chosen field.	potential and prepare to enter higher education or university.

## Your Journey with LearnHounslow

If you are interested in a qualification course, you will have an initial assessment and interview with a subject specialist tutor to advise you on what course will be best for you

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Start your course with an induction session to learn about the service and the course. You will be given access to a learner handbook with more details

Once your course begins you will work with your tutor to set your personal learning goal

You can get no-obligation information

about any of our courses and services

by visiting our website, open days, centres, events or by phone

You will have regular check-ins and tutorials throughout your learning journey to support your progress

> Get information, advice and guidance on what you can do next from your tutor or WorkHounslow



Evaluate your learning journey and progress

- **Q** Courses with this symbol are qualification courses for which Initial Assessments (IA) are required. Please call us to find out when the IA for your Qualification Course will take place. (please see information on page 27).
- U Courses with this symbol are qualification courses that award UCAS points required to apply for University.

#### **Course title**

Starts in:

Accounting and Bookkeeping	
Bookkeeping Level 1 Award (AAT)	Sep, Feb
Bookkeeping Level 2 Certificate (AAT)	Sep, Feb
Bookkeeping Level 3 Certificate (AAT)	Sep, Feb
Diploma in Accounting Level 3 (AAT) <b>Q U</b>	Sep

#### Beauty

Make-up: Henna for Beginners	Sep
Make-up: Henna Intermediate	Jan
Make-up: Henna for Bridal Looks	May
Make-up: For Self-Confidence	Oct, June
Make-up: For Self-Confidence 50+	Nov
Make-up: Skin Care for Seasons	June
Make-up: Beginners	Sep, Jan
Make-up: Intermediate	Sep, Jan
Make-up: Intermediate Eye Techniques	Jan, May
Make-up: Advanced Bridal Looks	Jan, May
Hair and Beauty Therapy Level 1 Award (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep
Hair and Beauty Therapy Level 1 Certificate (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep

#### **Course title**

Rusiness

Starts in:

Business	
Money Management for Women	Oct/Jan/May
Turn Your Business Idea into a Business Plan	Oct
Graphic Design for Social Media	Oct
Develop a Website on Wix (No coding skills required)	Jan
Understanding Business Finances for Entrepreneurs	Jan
Develop an E-com Website on Shopify (No coding skills required)	May
Understanding Numbers for Your Fashion Business	May
Business and Retail Entry 3 Award (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Business and Retail Level 1 Award (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Business Level 2 Certificate (Gateway)	Sep
Digital Promotion for Business Level 2 Award (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Sep
Creating a Business Start-Up Level 2 Certificate (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Jan

#### Childcare and Early Years

Childcare Entry 3 Award (NCFE) Q	Sep, Feb
Caring for Children Award Level 1 (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Caring for Children Level 1 Certificate (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Caring for Children and Young People Level 2 Certificate (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Early Years Practitioner Level 2 Diploma (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Sep
Understanding Play Work Level 3 Certificate (NCFE) <b>Q U</b>	Sep

Course title	Starts in:
Cookery and Hospitality	
Bake Your Own Festive Treats	Nov
Baking for Beginners: Starting Your Own Business from Home	Mar, Jun
Baking Entry 3 Award in Creative Craft (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Oct
Cake Decoration Entry 3 Award in Creative Craft (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Oct
Award in Hospitality and Catering Level 1 (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Cake Decoration Creative Craft Level 1 Award (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Feb

#### **Creative Writing and Drama**

Creative Writing for Wellbeing: Writing for Mindfulness	Sep, Jan, May
Creative Writing: Ways Into Creative Writing	Sep
Creative Writing: Developing Creative Writing	Jan
Creative Writing: Improving Creative Writing Skills	May
Performance Skills: Introduction To Drama Skills	Sep
Performance Skills: Drama For Confidence	Jan
Performance Skills: Drama Improvers	May
Performance Skills: Preparing, Rehearsing and Performing in Theatres	Sep, Jan, May



#### **Course title**

#### Starts in:

Digital Skills and Computing	
Basic Digital Skills for Beginners	Sep, Dec, Mar, Jun
Digital Skills Builder	Dec, Jun
Email and Digital Skills Builder	Apr
Essential Digital Skills Entry 3 (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Essential Digital Skills Entry 3 for ESOL (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
MS Office Basics	Oct, May
Essential Digital Skills Level 1 (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
MS Office Intermediate	Oct, May
Spreadsheets & Word Processing Level 2 Award (Gateway) Q	Sep, Feb
Coding with Python	Oct, Feb
Programming Level 2 Award (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Oct, Feb
Cybersecurity Level 1 Award (Gateway)	Oct, Feb
Cybersecurity Level 2 Award (Gateway)	Feb

#### **Drawing and Painting**

Painting for Wellbeing	Oct
Drawing for Wellbeing	Jan
Painting and Drawing for Wellbeing	Apr
Painting for Beginners	Oct
Painting for Improvers	Jan
Painting Projects	Apr
Drawing: Beginners	Oct
Drawing: Improvers	Jan
Drawing: Projects	Apr
Painting: Watercolours for Beginners	Oct
Painting: Watercolour for Improvers	Jan
Painting: Watercolour Projects	Apr
Painting in the Park	Jun

Course title	Starts in:
Employability	
Into Work: CV Writing	Nov
Into Work: Cover Letter Writing	Nov
Into Work: Interview Skills	Nov
Into Work: CV Writing Skills for Asylum Seekers & Refugees	March
Into Work: Cover Letter Writing for Asylum Seekers & Refugees	March
Into Work: Interview Skills for Asylum Seekers & Refugees	March
Into Work: CV Writing Skills for Women Returning to Work	June
Into Work: Cover Letter Writing for Women Returning to Work	June
Into Work: Interview Skills for Women Returning to Work	June
Into Work: CV Writing Skills for people with Disabilities	Oct, Feb, May
Into Work: Cover Letter Writing for people with Disabilities	Oct, Feb, May
Into Work: Interview Skills for people with Disabilities	Oct, Feb, May

#### English

GCSE English Language (AQA) <b>Q</b>	Sep
English Functional Skills (Level 1 and Level 2) and Stepping Stones (Pearson and Ascentis) ${\color{black} {\bf Q}}$	Sep, Feb
English Functional Skills (Entry Level) and Stepping Stones (Pearson and Ascentis) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
ESOL	
ESOL (Pre-Entry and Entry levels) (Ascentis) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb

ESOL (Pre-Entry and Entry levels) (Ascentis)	Sep, Feb
Ascentis Entry Level Award in Skills for Employment <b>Q</b>	Feb

#### **Course title**

Starts in:

#### Family Learning (for parents/carers and children) WFL Science Workshop Oct, Feb, May WFL Engineering Workshop Oct, Feb, May WFL Recycling Workshop Oct, Feb, May WFL Art Workshop Oct, Feb, May WFL Clay Workshop Oct, Feb, May WFL Storytelling Workshop Oct, Feb, May WFL Maths Workshop Oct, Feb, May

Family Learning (for parents/carers)	
Parenting: Supporting Children's Emotional Development	Oct, Jan, May
Parenting: Understanding Children's Mental Health	Oct, Jan, May
Parenting: Keeping Your Children Safe Online	Oct, Jan, May
Family Learning courses also taking place in various Hounslow schools, look out for details in your child's school newsletter	Each school term

#### Floristry

Floristry for wellbeing: Autumn, Spring and Summer	Sep, Jan, Apr
Floristry: Winter Wreath Workshop	Dec
Floristry: International Women's Day Workshop	Mar
Floristry Entry 3 Award in Creative Craft (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	May
Floristry Level 2 Certificate (NCFE) Q	Sep

Course title	Starts in:
Health and Social Care	
Health and Care Entry 3 Award (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Health and Care Level 1 Award (Gateway) <b>Q</b>	Sep, Feb
Understanding Autism Level 3 Certificate (NCFE) <b>Q U</b>	Sep
Health, Fitness and Wellbeing	
Gentle Yoga for Wellbeing	Sep, Jan, Apr
Yoga for Wellbeing	Sep, Jan, Apr
Pilates for Wellbeing	Sep, Jan, Apr
Cooking School: Confidence in the Kitchen	Oct, May
Cooking School: Eat Well for Better Health	Nov
Cooking up a Caribbean Feast: Black History Month Special	Oct
Cooking School: Cooking for Diabetes Prevention and Management	Jan
Cooking School: Cooking for a Healthy Heart	Feb
Cooking for a Healthy Menopause: International Women's Day Special	Mar
Cooking School: Understanding Food Labels	May
Cooking School: Cooking for a Healthy Microbiome	Jun
Jewellery Making	
Jewellery Making: Beadwork Taster Session	Sep, Jan, May
Jewellery Making: Porcelain Taster Session	Sep, Jan, May
Jewellery Making: Beginners Beadwork	Sep, Jan
Jewellery Making: Intermediate Bead and Wirework	Sep, Jan, May
Jewellery Making: Beginner Porcelain	Sep, Jan,
Jewellery Making: Intermediate Porcelain	Sep, Jan, May
Jewellery Making: Make To Sell	May
Jewellery Making: Porcelain Make to Sell	May

Course title	Starts in:
Languages	
Spanish: Complete Beginners (A1)	Sep
Spanish: Elementary (A1)	Jan
Spanish: Elementary (A2)	Apr
Spanish: Pre-Intermediate (B1)	Sep, Jan, Apr
Spanish: Pre- Intermediate (B2)	Sep, Jan, Apr
Spanish Beginners: An Introduction to Conversations for a Career in Hospitalit	y Sep
Spanish Elementary: Everyday Conversations for a Career in Hospitality	Jan
Spanish Intermediate: Conversations for a Career in Hospitality	April
Arabic (Modern Standard): Complete Beginners (A1)	Sep
Arabic (Modern Standard): Elementary (A1)	Jan, Apr
Arabic (Modern Standard): Pre-Intermediate (A1)	Sep, Jan, Apr
Arabic Beginners: An Introduction to Conversations for a Career in Hospitality	Sep
Arabic Elementary: Everyday Conversations for a Career in Hospitality	Jan
Arabic Intermediate: Conversations for a Career in Hospitality	Apr
British Sign Language: Complete Beginners	Sep
British Sign Language: Intermediate	Jan
British Sign Language: Advanced	Apr
Maths and Numeracy	

Maths Functional Skills (Entry Level) and Stepping Stones (Pearson and Ascentis) **Q** Sep, Feb

GCSE Mathematics (AQA) Q

(Pearson and Ascentis) **Q** 

Maths Functional Skills (Level 1 and Level 2) and Stepping Stones

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Sep, Feb

Course title	Starts in:
Personal and Professional Development	
Award in Progression (Professional Pathway) Entry 3 <b>Q</b> (Gateway)	Sep, Feb
Certificate in Progression Entry 3 <b>Q</b> (Gateway)	Sep, Feb
Photography and Filmmaking	
Photography: Portraits	Sep
Photography: Prints	Jan
Photography: Places	Apr
Photography Level 1 Award (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Sep
Photography Level 2 Certificate (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Jan



# Feb Pottery For Wellbein

Course title

Pottery, Ceramics and Sculpture

Pottery For Wellbeing	Oct, Jan, Apr
Pottery: Wheel Throwing Complete Beginners	Sep, Jan
Pottery: Wheel Throwing Bowls	Apr
Pottery: Diwali Divas Workshop	Oct
Pottery: Christmas Tree Decorations	Nov
Pottery: Made for Mum Workshop	Apr
Pottery Entry 3 Award in Creative Craft: Wheel Throwing (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Jan
Pottery Creative Craft Level 1 Award (NCFE) <b>Q</b>	Sep
Pottery Creative Craft Level 2 Certificate (NCFE)	Jan



Starts in:

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Sewing and Fashion

Knitting For Wellbeing

Crochet For Wellbeing

Sewing: Introduction to the Sewing Machine for Beginners

Sewing Advanced Dressmaking Womenswear: Making a Skirt

Sewing Advanced Dressmaking Womenswear: Making Trousers

Sewing Workshops: Finishing And Repairing Your Own Garments

Preparing to Work in Schools and Colleges Level 1 Award (NCFE) Q

Support Work in Schools and Colleges Level 2 Certificate (NCFE) **Q** 

Support Work in Schools and Colleges Level 3 Certificate (NCFE) Q

Support Work in Schools and Colleges Level 2 Award (NCFE) Q

Sewing: Beginners Dressmaking Womenswear

Sewing Quilting: Reduce Reuse Recycle

Textiles Creative Craft Level 1 Award (NCFE) Q

Supporting Teaching and Learning

Textiles Creative Craft Level 2 Certificate (NCFE) Q

Sewing: Intermediate Dressmaking Womenswear

**Course title** 

# Eligibility to attend a course

Participants must be eligible to attend a course. Please follow the eligibility criteria on this page.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Participants must be eligible to attend a course under the Adult Skills Fund rules of the Greater London Authority or the Department for Education. Please follow the eligibility criteria below. Please note: Level 3 courses are for London Residents only.

You must be aged 19 or over by 31 August 2025 and one of the following:

London Resident with permission to stay for at least 12 months on the first day of learning, with right of abode or pre-settled/settled status under EUSS on the first day of learning

or

Starts in:

Sep, Jan

Sep

Jan

May

May

Sep

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Sep, Feb

Sep, Feb

Sep, Feb

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Sep, Jan, May

Sep, Jan, May

Sep, Jan, May

Sep, Jan, May

#### UK Resident for the last three years

or

#### With a specific status such as:

- » Refugee status
- » Discretionary leave to enter or remain
- » Exceptional leave to enter or remain
- » Indefinite leave to enter or remain
- » Humanitarian protection
- » The husband, wife, civil partner or child of any of the above
- » Ukrainian Family, Homes or Extension Schemes
- » Afghan ACRS and ARAP Schemes
- » Asylum Seeker (resident 6 months+)



#### Call 020 8583 6000 for the full eligibility criteria

### Fees and Concessions

Some of our courses are automatically free, and some individuals can learn on any course for free, depending on their level of income. Please see the information below and **if you have any further questions, contact the team.** 

#### Free Courses Entitlements:

All English and Maths qualification courses (including GCSE if you do not already have a grade A\*– C/Grade 4 or higher), Essential Digital Skills Qualifications and Level 3 Free Courses for Jobs are free for those who don't yet have them.

#### London Living Wage Earnings Threshold (currently £27,007.50 annually)

#### National Living Wage £25,000 (Non-London residents)

Individuals who are unemployed, employed or self-employed are fully funded for the cost of their learning. You will need to show recent proof of income (no more than 3 months old) when you enrol e.g. wage slip, Universal Credit or bank statement.

# Out of Work and not in receipt of benefits:

You do not need to pay the course fee (for qualifications or essential skills) or pay only 10% of the course fee (all other fee-bearing courses) if you:

- » Want to be employed, or
- » Are seeking exceptional support with social integration.

#### Fees:

If your course has fees and you do not meet the criteria above, you need to pay all of your fees before your course starts.

We accept debit/credit cards.



Please note, you are still liable for course fees even if you withdraw from the course. Refunds of full fees are only given if:

- » A class is cancelled by the Service and there is no suitable alternative
- » You are unable to attend for medical reasons and have an appropriate medical certificate.

Administration, resource, exam and assessment fees are not refundable. Please see www.hace.ac.uk for our Fees Policy.

#### **Case Study**

#### Aruna Yamsani

Aruna's story is a powerful example of how learning can lead to life-changing opportunities. When she first joined Learn Hounslow, her goal was clear: "My aim was to gain new skills that would enhance my work experience. My ultimate goal was to secure a permanent job in administration." She began with the **Microsoft Office Basics** course, laying the foundation for her digital literacy.



As her confidence grew, Aruna enrolled in further **Digital Skills** courses, where she became proficient in Excel and Word. "I explored different courses that would enhance my administrative skills. The digital skills I gained are incredibly useful in my role, and I now feel much more confident using them."

Aruna also completed the **Photography Level 1 Award** and learned to use **Canva for graphic design**. "I enjoy adding graphics to documents. My typical day begins with a catch-up meeting, where I receive my tasks for the day. Throughout the day, I work on research, data analysis, and graphic design."

To further strengthen her administrative knowledge, Aruna took the **Working in Business and Retail Level 1** course.

The turning point came when she discovered a job listing on the **Work Hounslow** website. "I submitted my CV and cover letter to Work Hounslow, and they applied for the role on my behalf, they later informed me that I had been shortlisted and that an interview would be scheduled soon."

"Work Hounslow invited me for interview preparation, where I was asked sample interview questions and given useful feedback. They also recommended that I visit the National Careers Service website for additional preparation." This support helped her feel confident and ready.

Aruna is now employed at a local Architect with a London Living Wage employer.

Reflecting on her journey, Aruna encourages others to take the leap: "If someone is considering taking a course at Learn Hounslow, I would highly recommend it. The courses are incredibly helpful, the teaching methods are excellent, and the tutors are very supportive."

## Enrolment Process

The website is updated with the latest courses for each academic term.

We do add additional courses throughout the term or sometimes cancel courses due to enrolment numbers. For the most up to date course information, visit our website coursesearch.hounslow.gov.uk or contact us for more information.

#### How to enrol step by step

#### Select a course

Browse through the course listing on pages 12-22, or visit the course search website at **coursesearch.hounslow.gov.uk**. The course information sheets will be available to download for each course on our website or contact us if you would like to discuss further.

#### Enrolment

Once you have selected your course, make note of the course name, code and start date. We offer different methods of enrolment, the easiest method to enrol is over the phone.



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Some courses require an Initial Assessment. The Initial Assessments allow us to identify if the course is right for you and understand any extra support you may need. You will need to book and attend an Initial Assessment for the following course types:



- » Qualifications
- » ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)
- » English and Maths
- » Digital Skills

We run Initial Assessments for the new academic year in July, September and throughout the year.



#### You are a learner!

Once you have enrolled, your course enrolment will be confirmed by text. A Hounslow Adult and Community Education account will be created for you to manage your learning.

Please note your place on a course is only confirmed when your enrolment process is complete and a receipt is issued. Some courses are very popular and fill up quickly so please ensure you enrol as early as possible.

#### **Contact details**

Call us on 020 8583 6000. You can visit our main centre: Meadowbank, Community Close, Hounslow TW5 9QX

#### **Reception opening times**

Term-time: Mon - Wed 9am - 8pm Thurs - Fri 9am - 4.30pm Sat 10am - 12pm

School holidays: Mon-Fri 9am - 4.30pm





# **Support for Learning**

## **Careers and Education:** Information, Advice and Guidance

Our service is Matrix accredited, and we ensure that we provide up-to-date information, advice and guidance to support your learning and career aspirations.

available from your course tutor, curriculum team, and

You can ask for information and advice before, during and after your course.

# Information and advice about your learning options are

frontline centre staff.

If you require career advice, we can refer you to the WorkHounslow team, where an advisor can provide you with impartial information, advice, and guidance. You can access this service by calling 020 8583 6174. For

# more details see page 32.

We may be able to loan you a laptop and show you how to use it. We can also show you how to set up and use your own device for online learning.





Support with childcare

We have additional funds that you may apply for to help assist with childcare costs whilst you are studying for a qualification with Learn Hounslow. Please ask at enrolment for further details.

#### Additional Learning Support

We aim to make our courses accessible to everyone and help all our learners to achieve.

If you think that you may need additional support to complete your course, please notify us at enrolment or discuss with your tutor once enrolled. Your request will be treated in confidence. A meeting will be arranged with the Learning Support Team to assess your learning needs.

Appropriate support (assistive technology, adaptive equipment, resources or learning support assistant) will be arranged to assist you according to your learning needs.

#### Support with fees

**Online learning** 

If you are experiencing financial hardship and are unable to meet all the costs of your course, please ask the staff at the main centre and they will be able to advise you about our Discretionary Learner Support Funding, which is available for certain gualification courses.



#### Learn Hounslow offers comprehensive learning up to Level 3, with

**Higher Skills** 

programmes designed to prepare you for the next steps in your educational journey, including Level 4 and above.



**Building a Strong Foundation:** With Learn Hounslow you will develop transferable skills that are crucial for Higher Education and professional success. From digital skills and confidence to effective communication and meeting deadlines, to prepare you for your next steps.

**Boosting Confidence:** Confidence is key to pursuing Higher Education and Learn Hounslow provides a supportive learning environment to help you build the self-assurance needed to thrive in more advanced studies.

**Pathways to University:** Hounslow's unique location and great transport links means that University could be on your doorstep. At Learn Hounslow you can benefit from links to higher education providers, Open Days and workshops supporting your next steps.

#### **University Highlight**



#### **BSc (Hons) Adult Nursing with Foundation**

Delivered by the University of West London, this 4-year foundation course offers an alternative route into nursing. It has been designed for applicants who do not meet the entry criteria for the 3-year course but are able to demonstrate they hold the values and attributes required to be a nurse.



# Why Learn and Work in Hounslow?

Hounslow is a fantastic Borough in which to live, study and work with growing opportunities in key sectors.



#### **AThriving Hounslow**

Hounslow's economy is one of the significant contributors to London's overall economic landscape, it stands out as a major economic hot spot within the city.

#### **Industry Leaders**

Hounslow hosts the headquarters of Sky, Paramount, and National Geographic.

#### **Sector Strength**

Dive into key sectors like media, aviation, digital and transport. With over 13,000 businesses, your career opportunities are endless!

#### **Connectivity Boost**

Hounslow has some of the best transport links, with tube, rail, bus and the airport it is easy to access opportunities across the Borough and beyond.

#### **Creative & Digital Industries**

Immerse yourself in Hounslow's growing creative and digital scene. With a strong presence in broadcasting, media, and IT, the future is digital.



#### Your Employment Advisor will work with you to:



Explore your employment goals



Help you search for and apply to London living wage vacancies. Work with you and employers for bespoke career pathways and exclusive job opportunities







If required, help you



Help you create a plan for your next steps

Support you to improve your CV







WORK HOUNSLOW are the Skills and Employment Team, working closely with **LEARN HOUNSLOW** to support you to move into fantastic local jobs that pay at least the London Living Wage and access information about training and volunteering opportunities.

We work with all Hounslow residents over 18 who are either unemployed or in low-paid employment, providing high-quality Information, Advice and Guidance, one-to-one support and great connections with local employers (see a step-by-step support guide on the left).

To find out more about how we can help you, please call us on 020 8583 6174, email us at work@hounslow.gov.uk or speak to a member of staff from Learn Hounslow who will put you in touch with the team.

> You can visit our website which we update with all of the latest jobs, training and volunteering opportunities at www.workhounslow.co.uk

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