FIND YOUR FIT
SCHOOL LEAVER PROSPECTUS 2018/19

The Manchester College
be amazing
A very warm welcome to The Manchester College.

In this prospectus we’d like to change the way you think about education. Think of the College as the first step on the journey to your chosen career. To take that step, we’d like you to start thinking about what you love doing, what you’re good at and where you see yourself in the future. We can then help you to find your fit and choose a programme that will match your career ambitions.

Where better to start that journey than Manchester? It’s a unique city to live in and it’s full of opportunity. The Manchester College is working with leading employers to launch careers for a work-ready Greater Manchester. By joining us for your studies, you become a part of that exciting story. We focus on helping you to embark on a great career.

We’re the largest further education college in the UK and the number one provider of 16-19 and adult education in Greater Manchester. More students at The Manchester College go on to university, work or further study than from any other institution in Greater Manchester. Our higher education organisation, UCEN Manchester, delivers degree level courses, and nine out of 10 of our graduates are in a job or further study within eight months. Our goal is simple – to help YOU be amazing.

Finally, I’d like to encourage you to get in touch with us for help and information, wherever you’ve come from and whatever you’ve been doing before. A very important part of our mission is to inspire people from all backgrounds and give them the best chance of enjoying a prosperous future.

We can’t wait to meet you. Start your journey to amazing at The Manchester College!

Lisa O’Loughlin
Principal, The Manchester College
Welcome to The Manchester College. You’re already the star of your own story on your way to being amazing.

By picking up our prospectus you’ve taken your first step on your journey to amazing. Your next step begins with a choice. Have a look at the options on this page and decide which best describes you. You’ll then be taken on to the next stage of your personalised journey to amazing. (Don’t worry if you change your mind – just return to this page to start a new journey).

1. I have no idea which careers might be for me. I have my own interests but don’t know whether I can do anything with them in the workplace. Turn to page 06

2. I’m fairly sure about the career I’d like to go into but don’t know exactly what I need to do to get there. Turn to page 12

3. I would like to enrol on a course. I know which subject(s) I’d like to do and would like to know exactly what’s on offer and at what level. Turn to page 32

Whichever journey you’re on...
...you can find information on student support, enrichment, employability, financial support and how to apply from p16.
PASSIONS

Your next step on your journey to amazing...explore your passions.

Your passions are what make you amazing. Doing something you’re passionate about is what makes your career amazing.

The next few pages are all about what you love doing and how you could use your passions as a starting point for an amazing career.

Have a look at the suggestions on these and the next two pages. If one or more of the things you love are here, your perfect career could be just around the corner with a little help from The Manchester College.

When you’ve given some thought to your passions, turn to p12 to explore some amazing careers.

What are you passionate about?

Architecture
You’re fascinated by buildings old and new – how they’re planned and built; and maybe where you’d have to travel to find the strangest and most beautiful structures.

Animals & pets
If you love animals, you might be in your element in animal care or you might want to help make the world a better place for them, working in environmental science or research.

Baking
You can always be relied on to bring the cakes. Could you rock a catering career or would your creativity and head for weights and measures take you far in business?

Beauty therapy
You love helping people look good and feel better. Besides a wealth of opportunities in salons, you could bring your talents to media and theatre, healthcare or your own business.

Cars
Driving them, designing them, marketing and selling them or taking them apart – whatever drives your love of cars, there’s a career that will let you grab it by the steering wheel.

Caring for children
A little imagination could turn your love of children into a rewarding career – maybe in childcare, health, or even designing their clothes and toys.

Coding
If you like tinkering with code you could make yourself indispensable in computing and business careers. If you also have creative passions, consider games design.

Cooking
You love experimenting in the kitchen. A hospitality career could be calling, or your talent for sourcing ingredients could take you into business.

Culture
You’re passionate about the way people live and express themselves, making you a good bet for a range of careers, from the creative arts to travel and tourism.

What are you passionate about?
DIY
There’s never a loose shelf or a bare wall in your house! If you love doing it yourself you’ll love the choice of careers in engineering, design, media and more.

Entrepreneurship
If being your own boss is the dream, you might try your hand at almost any industry. Find something you’ll love doing and develop as many skills as you can.

Fashion
Options for fashionistas are as varied as colour swatches. Think about design, business, media, beauty or theatrical make-up to get you started.

Making things
Little things, big things, very technical things or gorgeous handmade things – if you like bringing an idea into the real world, one of several exciting careers could appeal.

Music
Listening to it, playing it, talking about it – however you get your fix, music is definitely your thing. And whether you’re a performer, blogger, or have leadership potential, there’s a path for you.

Dancing
If you love to dance you could aim for a career on the stage, in one of a number of performing arts careers. Or you may like to share your passion with others, as a teacher.

Helping others
Your caring nature is well known and you could help even more people by taking your generosity on a career journey. Think about healthcare or teaching for starters.

Photography
Life behind a lens can be the start of a bright career journey in digital media or science. You could also start your own business or translate your visual skills into fashion or design work.

Problem solving
You love a puzzle and can be relied on in a quiz team. An ability to hold on to facts and solve problems will take you a long way in careers from science to media and teaching.

Design
You’re intrigued by the way things look and work. If you have a talent for design, you could find your path in marketing, media, fashion, beauty, or in setting up your own business.

Keeping fit
You never miss a gym session or game in your team sport. There are a variety of careers worth considering in sport, or in public services where you need to be fit and active.

Health & nutrition
You know how to look after yourself and could help others do the same. Your interest in exercise, good food and health treatments could take you on one of many journeys.

Money and numbers
We’d all like more money, but how does a budget work and how can you make it go further? If you have the answers, you could be in demand in industries from catering to medical sciences.

Outdoors
Plenty of careers give you the chance to stay active and spend time outside. Among them are public services, some science and animal care careers and, of course, sport.

History
If the past interests you (from ancient times to this time last year) have you thought about careers in tourism, or even politics and public services?

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Passionate about something else? Visit our website to explore many more passions.

**Reading**
Several careers involve interesting research. If you like getting stuck in to a good book, why not get stuck in to careers like teaching and science?

**Research**
You’re fascinated and sometimes infuriated by the latest scientific findings. A passion for scientific discovery is useful in any scientific career, plus design, computing, sport and more.

**Singing**
A passionate singer with the right talent and staying power could go far in a performing career. The confidence and creativity singers have can also be useful in care or teaching.

**Technology**
You’ll be able to get your hands on the latest gadgets and software in a number of careers, including design, automotive, engineering and medical sciences.

**Theatre**
Whether you live to perform or are happiest in the audience, if you love the theatre you could enjoy a career in performing arts, teaching, tourism or media.

**Travel**
If you like being on the move, you might be perfect for a career in travel, tourism and aviation or other jobs that might involve travel, like media or journalism.

**Volunteering**
You love getting your sleeves rolled up and helping out in any way you can. Think about the skills you’ve gained through volunteering and how you can use them in your dream career.

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CAREERS

Your next step on your journey to amazing... plot your dream career path.

You have a good idea what you want to do, now find your fit with the best course to study.

The following pages are all about careers. We look at each career type in detail and map your educational route to an amazing career.

What best describes you?

You’re hardworking, with energy to spare. You’re passionate about animal welfare.

Careers in animal care p34

You’re ambitious, creative and have an eye for how the world works.

Careers in business p36

Your technical flair and creativity impress your friends. You can’t rest until you know how something works.

Careers in computing & IT p38

You have a thirst to know how things work and you just know you can make them even better.

Careers in construction & engineering p40

You’re hugely talented and holding tight to your dream. You’re ready to do whatever it takes to go the distance creatively.

Careers in creative & digital media p42

You’re bursting with potential and just need the right artistic ammo and industry know-how to get you there.

Careers in design & visual arts p44

You have bags of artistic talent and are keen to use it to help people look and feel good.

Careers in hair, beauty & retail p46

You’re passionate, compassionate and energetic by the bucketload. You want to make a difference to people’s lives.

Careers in health, care & wellbeing p48

You’re a kitchen crackerjack or a customer service supremo. Nothing makes you happier than seeing people enjoy themselves.

Careers in hospitality & catering p50

The faster-paced the environment, the better for you. You can’t wait to get your hands on the latest gadgets.

Careers in logistics & automotive p52

You’re born for the stage or screen.

Careers in performing arts p54

You want to make the world a better place. You have bags of self-discipline and the courage to make it happen.

Careers in public services p56

You’re intrigued by the human body and what it’s capable of. You want to explore limits and how to break through them.

Careers in sport p58

Your creativity knows no bounds; from an enhanced eyelash to an alien lifeform. You have lots of energy and a steady hand.

Careers in theatrical & media make-up p60

You have a thirst for world travel and boundless energy. You love the world you live in and your high spirits will help others love it too.

Careers in travel, tourism & aviation p62
LIFE
AT THE MANCHESTER COLLEGE

As well as getting you on your way to an amazing career, life at The Manchester College is all about an amazing experience. This section is all about how to make your time with us as enjoyable and fulfilling as possible, whether it’s taking part in enrichment activities, completing work placements, getting support with money or using our state-of-the-art campus facilities.

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ENRICHMENT

ENRICH YOUR LIFE AT COLLEGE...

Enrichment is an important part of your learning journey and your life on campus. Enrichment means making the most of your time at college. You’ll have loads of fun with a whole range of activities to get involved in, groups to join, and guest speakers to hear from. Most importantly though, you’ll be learning and developing some fantastic skills that will enable you to become work ready, the kind that employers and universities really want you to have to help you be amazing academically and personally.

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- themed events
- sports
- fundraising and campaigning
- volunteering
- clubs and societies
- college-wide competitions
- community projects
- guest speakers
- workshops
- short courses
- trips and visits

STUDENT AMBASSADORS & ENRICHMENT CHAMPIONS

When you enrol at The Manchester College you can become a Student Ambassador or Enrichment Champion. This means you will play a big role in supporting events and speaking to potential learners/visitors to the college. Being a Student Ambassador or Enrichment Champion looks great on your CV.

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council is a group of elected students who represent the views of their fellow students and plan activities. If you’re passionate about making a difference and want to have a real impact on what happens at the college, then you can join the Student Council.

Any questions?
Call 03333 222 444 and ask to speak to the Student Experience Team.
Employability

College life isn’t just about going to lessons and making friends, it’s also knowing that you’ll leave with the skills employers want, and will be career ready. To help you on your journey to an amazing career we have dedicated Employability & Partnership Coordinators. They collaborate with industry partners to create links with a range of employers and work with each curriculum area to make sure that our students have access to the best work experience opportunities.

Work experience is a key part of all our programmes of study. Through work experience you can start to network in your chosen sector, test out job roles to support your career planning, develop skills outside of your usual comfort zone and gain job references to support future opportunities and progression.

Where do I find more help?

When you become a student at The Manchester College you will be timetabled for regular employability sessions and assigned to an employability tutor. This is to help you prepare for an external work placement with an employer and will give you the opportunity to find a suitable placement, whilst continually developing your employability skills. There will also be a range of post placement reflection activities; these reflections will carry forward into future placements and your study at college.

Contact us

Please call 03333 222 444 and ask to speak to the Employability & Partnership Coordinators.

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Whatever your personal journey to amazing looks like, you won’t be making it alone.

Our Careers and Welfare team are here to help, from the moment you consider The Manchester College – until the day you get your qualification...and beyond. We look forward to meeting you at open days and interview evenings. Once you’re enrolled with us you’ll have the chance to get support through workshops and one-to-one appointments throughout the college year.

Just some of the ways we can help:

**Careers**
We are your guides on your journey to amazing! We can help you choose the right courses for your career plans, guide you through career options and offer workshops on careers topics like job applications, CV writing, job interviews, labour market information and using social media to find work.

**Achievement tutors**
For some courses you’ll also have a personal tutor. You’ll meet with your personal tutor for one-to-one tutorials, can talk to them about your progress and agree targets to help reach your potential.

**University**
We are committed to providing support all the way through your journey to your chosen university course. Our Careers and Welfare team can help you choose the right course and place of study whether this be with our higher education organisation, UCEN Manchester or another university. All applications for full-time places are through UCAS, we can help you with your application and personal statement.

**Apprenticeships**
We can help guide you through the process of applying for an Apprenticeship.
MONEY MATTERS

To support you financially on your journey to amazing we offer the Study Programme Award (SPA).

You will qualify for the SPA if you:
• attend at least 87% of your classes per week
• put effort into your work and behave appropriately on campus

The Study Programme Award is made up of:
• Bus Pass Award
• Lunch support
• Exceptional Award

You will receive your SPA support every week you are in College or when you are off site as part of your studies, for example if you are on a work experience placement.

BUS PASS AWARD
You will receive a free weekly bus pass to help you get to the College. The bus pass can also be used for travel outside of College hours.

LUNCH SUPPORT
You are entitled to a lunch allowance of £2.50 a day that you can use in College or on a work placement. This is only available to those students from a household with an income of £16,190 or less.

KIT AWARD
If your course requires you to have a kit, you will receive a voucher to help with the cost up to a maximum of £75.

EXCEPTIONAL AWARDS
There are three more awards available for all learners:

• Ambassador Awards
  Ambassadors actively promote the College and represent the learners of the College on committees, focus groups and at internal and external College events. Ambassadors are rewarded with resources which will help them with their course.

• Learning Mentor Awards
  This award is for learners in their second or third year at the College who are willing to volunteer time to support other learners to achieve their potential on their study programme. Mentors are required to provide 10 hours of one-to-one support over the academic year. Mentors are rewarded with resources which will help them with their course.

CONTACT US
We understand that finance and funding can be confusing so for more information, please call in to reception at your nearest campus or call 03333 222 444 and ask to speak to Careers and Welfare.
SUPPORTED LEARNING

Transition team
The College’s Transition Team support learners with Special Educational Needs & Disabilities (SEND) by ensuring that their move from school to college is a smooth and positive experience.

You don’t need to worry about the change involved in starting college, we are here to help and will provide you with a ‘transition package’ which is specific to your needs. We work very closely with all schools across Greater Manchester and can arrange visits to any of our campuses so that you are familiar with your new learning environment well before the start of your chosen study programme.

The Additional Learning Support (ALS) team
Learners with SEND may enrol on our Supported Learning Curriculum or any suitable course across our academic, vocational and technical curriculum. The role of our ALS team is to work with the teaching staff to offer personalised support programmes to all SEND learners. We provide a Quality First Teach approach which ensures that the individual needs of all learners are provided for in the classroom through high-quality and personalised provision.

Dedicated Supported Learning courses
Our Supported Learning curriculum is designed to remove barriers to learning for all individuals with learning difficulties, providing them with personalised tailored help and guidance on their journey to independence. The curriculum consists of the following ‘Routes to’ courses:

• Routes to Community Learning and Routes to Learning
  Designed to help students to gain independence, develop their confidence and support them in determining which progression route to take.

• Routes to skills
  Prepares learners for progressing onto vocational programmes at the college

• Supported Internship
  Young people have access to training in a real workplace, with host employers including Manchester General Hospital, Manchester Airport, and Manchester City Council, as well as a range of high profile businesses at Media City including the Lowry and the BBC and other high profile employers. It is very different from a traditional course as all the learning takes place within a workplace meaning you learn ‘on the job’.

FOR MORE INFORMATION...
...or to discuss your personal support needs contact Transition Officers transitionteam@tmc.ac.uk or call 0161 674 3532
OUR SCHOOL LEAVER CAMPUS

1. Harpurhey Campus
Rochdale Road, Harpurhey M9 4AF

2. Shena Simon Campus
Whitworth Street, M1 3HB

3. Nicholls Campus
Hyde Road Ardwick, M12 6BA

4. Openshaw Campus
Ashton Old Road, Openshaw, M11 2WH

5. Welcomb Street Campus
Welcomb Street, Openshaw, M11 2NP

6. Northenden Campus
Sale Road, Northenden, M23 0DD

7. Wythenshawe Campus
Brownley Road, Wythenshawe, M22 9TG

For a full list of facilities at each campus relevant to your course, see our website tmc.ac.uk
We invest in modern cutting edge equipment and facilities so you’ll hit the ground running when you start your career.

Our facilities are also here to help you enjoy life beyond the classroom. At The Manchester College you can enjoy your free time at any of our campuses, no matter which campus you study at. Our award-winning training restaurants have played host to celebrity chefs like James Martin and Simon Rimmer and are regularly the setting for top chefs’ competitions. Best of all, you’ll be able to grab a gourmet meal on a student budget.

After your meal, why not catch a show at one of our modern performance spaces or two city centre theatres. Many of our actors and technicians are on the brink of stardom – Performing Arts graduates from our higher education organisation, UCEN Manchester have made major film, TV and theatre appearances.

We can help you relax after a hard week, whether you prefer a beauty therapy treatment or just a quiet walk around our wildflower meadows and wildlife corridors. While you’re turning your attention to mind and body, don’t forget our full size games pitches hosting everything from casual kick-arounds to competitive tournaments.

Finally, if you can’t tear yourself away from your studies, feel free to use any of our on-campus libraries and IT suites.

For a full list of facilities at each relevant campus to your course, see our website tmc.ac.uk.
ABOUT YOUR JOURNEY

*School leavers aged 16-18

Deciding what to do after Year 11 can be hard, but we can help you make the best choices for you.

The high quality of the education we give you is at the heart of everything we do. More students at The Manchester College go on to university, work or further study than from any other institution in Greater Manchester.

To make sure you get the very best education, we may ask you to come in and talk to us about where you are now and where you want to go. We’ll find out where you’re up to with maths, English and IT skills and offer you a study programme which includes your main course to get your skills up to the right level. Careers and Welfare can advise you on careers and courses and more. You can read more about the support we can offer you on p20.

Apprenticeships are another great way to further your career. Apprenticeships are jobs with training so you will be paid a wage. We work alongside our sister company Total People, one of the largest suppliers of Apprenticeships and work-based training in the UK. Visit www.totalpeople.co.uk to find out more.

College is about being the best you can be and preparing yourself for the rest of your life. It’s also about a once-in-a-lifetime experience, making new friends, trying new things and finding out more about yourself. We have hundreds of activities, exciting VIP events and trips to help make college the time of your life.

Wherever you are in Manchester, you’re never far from one of our friendly campuses. You can use the facilities at any campus, no matter which one you study at. Why not catch a show in one of our two theatres, or play team sports on our full-sized pitches?

Our Student Council is your chance to get your voice heard and speak up for other students. We run a Student Ambassador scheme, where you can volunteer to give something back to the rest of the College and get some great rewards. Our team of Student Experience Support Workers and our Sports Makers are also here to support you and bring your ideas to life.

*Courses listed are available for the 2017/18 academic year and correct at the time of going to print. We’ve listed these courses to show you what is likely to be available in 2018/19. Up-to-the-minute changes to our course offering are made on our website tmc.ac.uk.
The following pages are all about the courses we offer, the careers they can lead to and the campuses the courses are delivered at. You can also find out about the entry requirements for your chosen course.

We have vocational and A-Level courses. Vocational courses are centred around work-related learning, with each option tailored to a specific job or sector. They teach you the skills you’ll need to succeed in a particular career, and typically involve lots of hands-on, practical learning experience. If you go down the vocational route you choose one subject to focus on.

A-Levels are based around traditional classroom learning and are the typical pathway to studying at university. Students study a total of three or four A-Levels, and assessments include exams and coursework. If you’d like to study A-Levels please see p64 for information about the subjects we offer.

Visit tmc.ac.uk for more details on individual programmes of study.
ANIMAL CARE

If the world of animal care was a place, it would be rich in animal life, from the very small to the huge and exotic. It would be a place where some animals had learned to trust us, while others needed extra patience to bring back their health and happiness. The people you meet would have energy, compassion and great ideas. If animal care was a place, you could walk around, and see places as different as a small vets’ practice and the rolling hills of a safari park. It may not be a place, but animal care is definitely a path on which you can travel far if you love animals. It helps to have a sense of humour too!

Getting there
People often start their first animal care qualifications with no previous experience. You might start working with pets, exotic animals or farm animals; understanding their behaviour, health needs and the impact of breeding. As you move on to higher qualifications you could learn to be an animal nurse and research issues like nutrition or conservation. After Level 3 you could apply for university courses in subjects like veterinary science or zoo management.

Entry Requirements

| Level 3 | 4 x GCSE grades 9-4 (A*-C) including English or maths at grade 9-4 and/or prior achievement at Level 2. |
| Level 2 | 4 x GCSE grade 3 (D) or higher including English or maths and/or prior achievement at Level 1. |
| Level 1 | There are no formal entry requirements. Evidence of previous work or a commitment to study may be required. |

Course Qualification Key areas of study

| Level 3 Animal Management | Diploma | • Biology of different animals  
• Animal behaviour  
• Health issues and diseases  
• Farming industry |
| Level 3 Animal Management with Science | Diploma | • Animal breeding and genetics  
• Animal nursing  
• Metabolisms of various animals |
| Level 2 Animal Care | Diploma | • Health and welfare of animals  
• Learn how to care for zoo animals  
• Develop an understanding of British wildlife species and their habitats |

Vet
If you follow your animal care qualifications with a relevant degree you could qualify as a veterinary surgeon or ‘vet’. You might treat pet, zoo or farm animals; performing surgery, giving vaccinations, carrying out tests, and doing anything else that’s needed to keep animals healthy and give them a good quality of life.
Average salary £39,395

Veterinary nurse
Veterinary nurses give expert nursing care to animals receiving treatment in a veterinary practice. They also help educate owners to take the best possible care of their pets. As a veterinary nurse, you would usually give tests, treatment and minor surgical procedures.
Average salary £18,720

Farmer
Farmers, or farm managers, run a business which usually produces either livestock (animals), crops or dairy products. As a livestock or dairy farmer an important part of your job would be looking after the animals’ welfare and working closely with vets. As well as having great business sense, you’ll need to be able to get up early!
Average salary £21,902

CAREER PICKS:

YOU’RE PASSIONATE ABOUT:

Animals & pets  
Entrepreneurship  
Outdoors  
Research  
Volunteering

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Alternatively, progress on to one of our degree courses at...
BUSINESS

Business, accountancy and finance & insurance are the three fastest growing industries in Manchester. With 45,000 new jobs created in the past 10 years and thousands more on the horizon, a business career in the city promises enormous opportunity to anyone with ambition who is ready to work hard. With one of the biggest financial districts in the country, Manchester is fast-paced, creative and packed with possibility.

Getting there

All you need to start learning about business is a keen interest in how it works. As you move up to higher qualifications, you can start to specialise in the areas that interest you most. At The Manchester College you’ll enjoy work placements and visits to businesses, as well as real-world activities like running a small company.

Entry Requirements

| Level 3 | 4 x GCSE grades 9-4 (A*-C) including English or maths at grade 9-4 and/or prior achievement at Level 2. |
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Course Qualification Key areas of study

**Level 3 Business Venture with Entrepreneurship with Marketing Diploma**
- Business strategies and operations
- Marketing and advertising
- Strategic planning

**Level 3 Business Venture with Entrepreneurship Diploma**
- Human resource management
- Marketing
- Business law
- Finance and accounting

**Level 3 Business Strategy and Innovation in partnership with Invasion Corp (branding company) Diploma**
- Course designed in partnership with Invasion Corp
- Work on live briefs from Invasion Corp to help give you a sample what it is like to work for a brand

**Level 3 Business Law with Entrepreneurship Diploma**
- Ins and outs of business law
- Exploring how marketing, finance and human resource management interacts with the legal profession

**Level 3 Business Finance with Entrepreneurship Diploma**
- Topics that affect businesses of all shapes and sizes on a day-to-day basis
- Accounting practices in the business world

**Level 2 Business Skills with Entrepreneurship Certificate**
- Skills and techniques required to effectively manage a business
- Tracking spending and income to overseeing resources

**Level 1 Introduction to Business Skills and Entrepreneurship Diploma**
- Develop key business skills including presenting a business idea, effectively organise meetings and run an event

**Business development manager**

A business development manager has their eyes and ears ever open for new business opportunities... and when they spot those opportunities, they pounce. They’ll work with clients, customers and partners to build the business, often going out to events and meetings, and rarely spend much time at their desks.

Average salary £40,789

**Receptionist**

As a receptionist, your face is often the first a visitor to your company will see. This calls for great people skills, communication and being able to present a professional appearance at all times. You’ll need to know your company inside and out and have the confidence to deal with difficult customers.

Average salary £17,181

**National government administration**

Also known as civil service, national government administration means working for the government to help bring services to communities and make sure things are working in the ways the government has set down in its policies. This can be a fascinating career path if you’re interested in current affairs and politics, and is a chance to serve the public.

Average salary £21,653

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COMPUTING & IT

Computing professionals do great things. They create the programming and design that make computer game characters jump, fly and shoot. They hack into computer networks to see just how far they can get in order to test their security. They run businesses. They develop software that will shape how we live in the future. Going the distance in this exciting, complex industry calls for creative thinking, technical flair and the ability to work with different people in different roles.

Getting there

At The Manchester College, you’ll look at the creative, technical and business aspects of computing and IT from the very start of your journey, whether you’re an absolute beginner to computing or join us at a higher level. This means that, when you’re ready, you’ll be able to concentrate on the techniques that most interest you. Our students are able to get their hands on cutting-edge kit, including CISCO technologies.

Entry Requirements

Level 3 4 x GCSE grades 9-4 (A*- C) including English or maths at grade 9-4 and/or prior achievement at Level 2.
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Level 1 There are no formal entry requirements. Evidence of previous work or a commitment to study may be required.

Course Qualification Key areas of study

Level 3 Computer Science and Developing Digital Solutions – Certified by Amaze Diploma • Work with CSS and HTML • Explore the functionalities of C# ASP.NET MVC applications • Handling data with MongoDB and SQL
Level 3 Computer Science and Digital Technologies in Partnership with Invasion Corp Diploma • Work on live briefs for Invasion • Software design and development projects • Website development
Level 3 Computer Science with Mobile Applications Development Diploma • Learn the languages of C#, Objective-C for iPhone, Java for Android and JavaScript for Unity • Develop apps for Android and iPhone devices
Level 3 Creative Design and Developing Digital Experiences – Certified by Amaze Diploma • Web design and app development • Coding effectively
Level 3 Digital Technologies Diploma • Website and application development – using CSS, HTML and C# • Computer game development
Level 2 Information and Creative Technology Diploma • Computer graphics and animation • Photoshop, Illustrator, HTML 5 and CSS 3
Level 1 Introduction to Digital Technologies • E-commerce, website design and imaging software • Design and publishing project

Software developer

The brains behind the design, installation, testing and maintenance of software systems. Simply put, a software developer has creative ideas that help people or businesses do the things they want to do with their software. You could write computer programs from scratch or re-work programs that already exist. If youlove solving problems, you could very well be in your element in this career.

Average salary £40,019

Specialist IT manager

A born leader, technical whizz and passionate problem solver who shines under pressure could go far as an IT manager. Usually working for larger organisations, IT managers plan and organise the installation and testing of hardware, software and systems, and may also work hands-on with the technology.

Average salary £43,784

IT systems analyst

As a systems analyst you will poke around every corner of a company’s IT systems and the ways the company works with them. Then you’ll recommend ways that the company can work better and whether there are any better systems they could use. You might also design IT systems and organise for them to be installed. Another great role for a problem solver...and one for someone who doesn’t mind speaking their mind.

Average salary £41,870

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*Average salaries based on data for the north west region as collated by EMSI Analyst.
CONSTRUCTION & ENGINEERING

Step into the working world of construction and engineering and you'll see well-equipped, safe buildings - old and new - surrounded by well-planned green spaces. Nuts, bolts and circuit breakers have been given the care and attention they need so that everything runs smoothly - from operating theatres to Pokemon GO. The people you'll meet are great at working with each other, responsible, pay attention to detail and love what they do. Career paths are varied - you might be a plumber, electrical or electronics engineer; or design machines, systems or cities.

Getting there
At The Manchester College, you'll be studying in one of the most technically advanced training centres in the north west, often working on real-world projects. We have 25 specialist construction workshops, including bespoke areas for scaffolding, refrigeration and fire sprinkler installation. We're the only learning provider in England working directly with the fire sprinkler industry.

Entry Requirements
Level 3
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Course Qualification Key areas of study
Level 3 Carpentry and Joinery Diploma • First fix flooring and roofing
• Double doors and mouldings

Level 3 Construction and the Built Environment Diploma • Project management and civil engineering
• Measuring, estimating and tendering processes

Level 3 Engineering Diploma • Engineering industry
• Industry skills

Level 3 Electrical Installations Diploma • Electrical science
• Health and safety in the industry

Level 3 Plumbing Diploma • Technical aspects of hot and cold water supplies
• Aspects of sanitation

Level 2 Brickwork Diploma • Produce thin joint masonry and masonry cladding
• Build solid and cavity walling

Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery Diploma • First fix flooring, roofing, frames, partitions and stairs

Level 2 Electrical Installations Diploma • Electrotechnical technology
• Principles of electrical science

Level 2 Engineering Diploma • Engineering materials
• Mathematics for engineering

Level 2 Painting and Decorating Diploma • Application of foundation and plain papers
• Producing specialist decorative finishes

Level 2 Plastering Diploma • Solid and fibrous plastering
• Fixing dry linings and plasterboards

Level 1 Construction Skills Certificate • Taster of a variety of trades including bricklaying, carpentry and joinery, plastering, painting and decorating, and plumbing

CAREER PICKS:

Plasterer
Plastering can be a satisfying career if you like to work with your hands. It can also be creative - ‘fibrous plastering’ is creating ornamental plasterwork using plaster and moulded fibres. You could be self-employed or work for a company.
Average salary £16,869

Engineering technician
An engineering technician solves problems that are specifically to do with technology in different fields including software, quality control and manufacturing. There can be a lot of scope for variety, as you might create technical drawings, carry out experiments or test products.
Average salary £40,114

Plumber
An unsafe boiler or damaged drainage system can be a nightmare - and a plumber can be the hero who makes life that bit safer and more bearable. A good career pick if you’re great with people and would like to use your practical skills while getting out and about.
Average salary £28,142

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Creative, digital, media. Three words that cover an eye-watering variety of careers and skills, from animation and photography to directing TV shows and designing video games. And with 45,000 people already working in Greater Manchester’s creative hub at MediaCityUK and jobs in broadcasting predicted to rise by 10% over the next couple of years, there are lots of employment opportunities in the region. Get ready to show the world how creative you are!

Getting there
Creative media is becoming more and more a multi-disciplinary career path. That means, the more you know about this broad industry and the more hands-on skills you have, the better. In our fully-equipped computer suites at The Manchester College you’ll find the latest technology for 3D modelling, design, development and editing. Our film studios host industry standard, professional DSLR cameras, green screens, specialist lighting and sound equipment. We’ve even got a production vehicle for use on location!

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<td>Level 3 Creative Media Production and Technologies - Digital Art and Animation</td>
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<td>Look at traditional, 2D and stop-motion animation, Motion graphics</td>
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<td>Level 3 Creative Media Production and Technologies - Games Development</td>
<td>Diploma</td>
<td>3D techniques in modelling, texturing, rendering, and sculpturing, Design, animate and develop characters, assets and environments</td>
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<td>Level 3 Creative Media Production and Technologies - TV and Film Production</td>
<td>Diploma</td>
<td>Producing films from concept creation to audio and visual editing, Produce your own short dramas, music videos, documentaries, and multi-camera recordings</td>
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<td>Level 2 Creative Media Production and Technologies</td>
<td>Diploma</td>
<td>2D animations and TV and film productions, Graphic and games design, Digital photography</td>
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<td>Level 1 Creative Media Production</td>
<td>Diploma</td>
<td>Digital photography, web design, and digital image creation, Develop and edit video and audio productions</td>
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CAREER PICKS:

YOU'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT:

Graphic designer
Graphic designers work ‘client side’ (for a company), for an agency who work for different clients, or are self-employed. You’ll agree a brief with the client or a project leader within the company and design advertising materials and publications using creative software. You may need to get quotes for printing costs, so a head for numbers can help.
Average salary £26,915

Photographer
As a photographer, you could be self-employed or work for a company. One of the most attractive things about a photography career can be the variety and opportunity to work in different settings. You might take portraits or work at weddings, in fashion, journalism or art, to name just a few examples.
Average salary £26,520

Film/TV producer
Producers are the people who make a film, TV or video project happen, looking after it from concept to editing. They raise funds, hire team members and pull any late nights it takes to get the project delivered on time, in budget and looking amazing, because it’s their ‘baby’. The producer usually gets the top credit.
Average salary £41,870

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If you’re a talented sketcher or love nothing more than customising and upcycling your clothes, you could bring your artistic flair to design and visual arts careers. Jobs in this industry are expected to grow in Greater Manchester by at least 20% in the next few years. If you’d like your day job to be all about exploring fashion trends and working with textiles, or crafting pieces of fine art (while giving your business skills a daily workout), this could be the path for you.

Getting there
Whether you want to be a stylist or product designer, jewellery maker or sculptor, The Manchester College has all the latest tools you’ll need in our workshops. Each course, regardless of your focus, will give you hands-on experience and opportunities to create original work. You’ll get the chance to showcase your work in galleries and presentations, and could even find yourself enjoying research trips abroad.

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Course Qualification Key areas of study
Level 3 Art and Design Diploma • Art production techniques • Digital and hand rendering graphics • Fashion and textiles • Photography and digital imaging
Level 3 Fashion and Textiles Diploma • Textiles techniques including embroidery and pattern repeat • Printmaking, drawing and illustrations
Level 3 Foundation Studies in Art and Design Diploma • Painting and drawing, sculpting, illustration and graphics • Textiles • Photography
Level 3 Graphic Design and Visual Communication Diploma • Advertising, packaging, branding and social media • Illustration, typography and layout design
Level 3 Photography Diploma • Portrait, fashion, landscape, documentary, still life and experimental image photography • Specialist darkroom and advanced digital techniques
Level 2 Art and Design Diploma • Graphic and communication design • Fashion and textiles • Drawing and working with 3D materials
Level 1 Art and Design Diploma • Animation, print, fashion, photography, art, design and mixed media.

CAREER PICKS:
Artist
As an artist, also known as a ‘fine’ artist, you might sell your original pieces by exhibiting your work, or a client might commission you to create a piece for them. As well as creating art pieces, you will usually need to promote yourself as an artist, approach galleries to ask them to exhibit your work and manage your own budgets and tax payments.
Average salary £26,832

Arts officer/producer/director
As an arts worker, you might arrange exhibitions, promote an artist, work for a cultural organisation such as a concert venue, work for an arts funding agency such as Arts Council England, or have one of many other rewarding roles. A community arts worker will work with groups such as offenders, young parents or local communities to help them improve their lives through artistic expression.
Average salary £39,624

Fashion designer
As a clothing designer, you could specialise in designs for adults or children. Haute couture makes the headlines, but designing these jaw-dropping (and often impractical) catwalk creations is a small part of fashion design. Most designs are destined for the high street, where they’ll brighten up the lives and wardrobes of people just like you.
Average salary £28,745
HAIR, BEAUTY & RETAIL

Ask a hairdresser or beauty therapist to tell you the best thing about today and they’ll tell you about a client who left looking great and feeling even better. The treatments they offer and the one-to-one time they spend with their clients help people feel special and can improve their self-esteem. There are two main routes for hair and make-up professionals – commercial salon careers, which we cover on these pages, and theatrical and media make-up, which you can find out about on p60.

Getting there
You would usually start your career as a junior hairdresser, beauty therapist, barber or nail technician, and could then choose to study specialised techniques. If you’re interested in business, you could work towards salon management. At The Manchester College, you’ll train in our bright, modern commercial salons and will have opportunities to work with paying clients once you’re at a certain level in your studies.

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| Level 3 Beauty therapy | Certificate | • Body massage skills  
                                 • Looking after clients  
                                 • Health and safety in the salon |
| Level 3 Hairdressing Studies | Diploma | • Cutting and styling techniques  
                                 • Bridal hair including working with extensions, perms and styles |
| Level 2 Barbering | NVQ | • Cutting hair using traditional techniques  
                                 • Cut and shape beards  
                                 • Shampoo, condition, dry and finish men’s hair |
| Level 2 Beauty Therapy Studies | Diploma | • Facial skin care  
                                 • Eyelash/eyebrow treatments  
                                 • Waxing techniques for hair removal  
                                 • Manicure and pedicure skills |
| Level 2 Hairdressing | Diploma | • Cutting hair  
                                 • Colouring and lightening hair  
                                 • Perming and neutralising |
| Level 1 Hairdressing with English as a Second Language (ESOL) | Diploma | • Shampooing, blow-drying and styling  
                                 • Sectioning hair and applying temporary colour |
| Level 1 Hair and Beauty Skills | Certificate/Award | • Using colour  
                                 • Hands, feet and nails |

Salon manager
As a salon manager, you would usually hire stylists and therapists, manage budgets and profit, market the business and position it in the market with an eye on things like name, location, current trends, interior design and target clientele. Not for the faint-hearted, but definitely an exciting pick.

Average salary £19,698

Beauty therapist
Beauty therapists learn a huge range of techniques and treatments for face and body. They help clients relax and look and feel their best. Beauty treatments are very personal and closely tied up in how the client feels about themselves. You’ll need to be a real people person, as well as being hugely dedicated to detail and quality service.

Average salary £15,642

Barber
Barbers cut and style hair and facial hair, usually for male clients. Unlike most hairdressers, barbers are usually specialists in facial shaving and scalp treatments. You might also colour clients’ hair.

Average salary £14,976

CAREER PICKS:

YOU’RE PASSIONATE ABOUT:

- Helping others
- Fashion
- Beauty therapy
- Entrepreneurship

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HEALTH, CARE & WELLBEING

Ask anyone who works in health, care and wellbeing what it’s like and they’ll tell you the people are passionate, compassionate and energetic by the bucketload. They’ll tell you they live in interesting times, with big change happening in our society. The NHS and our communities are evolving before our eyes and the need for informed, skillful professionals is greater than ever. An estimated 45,000 new roles are expected to be available in health and care by 2022, already the second largest sector in Greater Manchester. You could be one of the thousands dedicating their working lives to making a difference.

Getting there

You might enter the industry working on the ground, with people who need caring, professional people to champion their quality of life. At The Manchester College, you’ll study with industry professionals and, on many courses, you’ll have access to cutting-edge facilities.

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• Teaching young children English and maths through play and activities |
| Level 2 | 4 x GCSE grade 3 (D) or higher including English or maths and/or prior achievement at Level 1. | • Anatomy and physiology  
• Life stages development  
• Diet and nutrition |
| Level 1 | There are no formal entry requirements. Evidence of previous work or a commitment to study may be required. | |

Course Qualification Key areas of study

| Level 3 Childcare and Education | Award/cert/diploma | • Role of an early years practitioner  
• Teaching young children English and maths through play and activities |
| Level 3 Health and Social Care | Diploma | • Anatomy and physiology  
• Life stages development  
• Diet and nutrition |
| Level 2 Health and Social Care | Certificate | • Care and support required at different stages throughout life  
• Promoting health and wellbeing |
| Level 2 Introduction to Caring for Children and Young People | Certificate | • Using play in early learning  
• Child development  
• Craft activities for children |
| Level 2 Early years care and education | Certificate | • Physical care routines  
• Preparing young children for school |
| Level 1 Caring for Children | Diploma | • Safeguarding young people’s welfare  
• How children grow and develop  
• Play in early learning |
| Level 1 Health and Social Care | Diploma | • Personal care  
• Creative activities for children and adults  
• Promoting healthy eating |

CAREER PICKS:

Midwife

Midwives can be men or women and are experts in childbirth. They help deliver babies, but are also important throughout a pregnancy and for a month or so after the birth. Midwives work in midwife-led units, birth centres, hospitals and GP practices and also go out to home births. They can often advise parents with particular needs, for example teenage parents.

Average salary £37,038

Nursery nurse

Nursery nurses look after children aged from birth to five-years-old. Childcare is closely wrapped up in the science of children’s health and psychology, meaning there’s lots to wrap your brain around. At the same time, you could easily find yourself covered in paint and glitter, so bags of energy and a sense of humour are essential! Sometimes tough, often joyful, childcare is a rewarding and important career.

Average salary £14,260

Social worker

As a social worker, you would support vulnerable adults or children to make sure they are protected from harm and to help them through difficult times. Examples of situations you might be involved with include families threatened by domestic violence, children who are not attending school, or someone who has become disabled and wants to make changes to carry on living a full life.

Average salary £32,588

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HOSPITALITY & CATERING

Maybe you’re a whizz in the kitchen and the thought of exploring gourmet recipes has your mouth watering. Or perhaps the organiser in you would love nothing more than overseeing a big event. Hospitality and catering careers are the business of making sure people have a great time and are well looked after. That’s as important in a workplace canteen or at a corporate event as it is in a Michelin starred restaurant or hotel.

Getting there

You might start your career as a kitchen assistant or waiter while you study more specialised techniques, perhaps becoming a chef and eventually a restaurant manager. Or you might qualify in events management and organise anything from small company events to stadium concerts. The important thing is that you understand how your industry works from the ground up. With three award-winning training restaurants at The Manchester College, you’ll get your hands on professional facilities and fully stocked kitchens while serving paying customers.

Entry Requirements

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Level 2 4 x GCSE grade 3 (D) or higher including English or maths and/or prior achievement at Level 1.
Level 1 There are no formal entry requirements. Evidence of previous work or a commitment to study may be required.

Course Qualification Key areas of study
Level 3 Advanced Cookery Studies Diploma • Advanced preparation and cooking techniques • Using vegetables, meat, poultry and fish to create dishes • Working with finer ingredients like game and shellfish
Level 2 General Patisserie and Confectionery Certificate • Make a selection of biscuits, cakes and sponge products • Working with paste and fermented dough
Level 2 Hospitality Industry Skills (Food Service) Certificate • Professional silver service and table service skills • Safe and hygienic working environments • Food and drinks service
Level 2 Hospitality & Catering Principles Certificate • Producing various dishes using meat • Making pastry, basic cakes and sponges
Level 1 General Food and Beverage Service Certificate • Food safety in catering • Food and beverage service • Food groups and a healthy diet
Level 1 Hospitality & Catering Award • Basic food preparation • Food safety in catering • Customer service skills
Level 1 Professional Cookery Studies Diploma • Preparing and cooking food by boiling, stewing, braising, baking, roasting, grilling, and frying • Using kitchen equipment

Conference/exhibition manager

An exhibition manager, also known as an events manager, runs events from the planning stage to the final clean up. A conference manager does many of the same jobs as an events organiser, but as the manager of a venue. Both jobs have a vast range of responsibility - be prepared to get your marigolds on if a sink gets clogged, but also to coordinate huge venues and large numbers of people.

Average salary £23,733

Chef

As a chef, you’d cook food and prepare ingredients as part of a team. You’ll need a cool head, as kitchens can be intense working environments. Most chefs start out as kitchen assistants and those with the right talent and sticking power can climb to the dizzying heights of head chef, where they create original dishes, set menus and look after the budget.

Average salary £16,640

Baker/flour confectioner

Bakers produce bread and confectionery, while flour confectioners specifically work with confectionery (cakes, sweet pastries etc.). You might work in a craft bakery making artisan breads, at an in-store bakery, or a large mechanised bakery that mass-produces baked goods.

Average salary £17,534

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It’s a fact of modern life that things and people need to move from place to place, safely and efficiently. Whether you drive them, fix them, build them or coordinate their safe arrival at a host of national and international locations, vehicles could be your ticket to hundreds of fulfilling career possibilities.

Getting there
Our state-of-the-art facility has industry-specific training vehicles, specialist tools and a 4,500 square metre automotive facility. We’re one of only a few colleges to have a bespoke auto-electrical lab for teaching specific auto-electrics.

Entry Requirements

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Course Qualification Key areas of study

| Level 3 Auto-Electrical and Mobile Electrical Principles Diploma | • Diagnosing complex electrical malfunctions  
• Carrying out successful repairs  
• Identifying engine electrical faults |
| Level 3 Auto Mechanical Specialist Diploma | • Engine management systems  
• Dissect electrical auxiliary equipment  
• Repair issues with a chassis |
| Level 3 Multi Skills Light Vehicle Diploma | • Vehicle repairs after an accident or crash  
• Repairing paintwork and body damage  
• Diagnosing problems with MET (Mechanical Electrical Trim) |
| Level 2 Auto-Electrical and Mobile Electrical Operations Diploma | • Diagnosing and repairing electrical units  
• Correcting simple electrical faults  
• Removing and fitting basic mechanical, electrical and trim (MET) components |
| Level 2 Auto Mechanical Specialist Diploma | • Freight Transport Services  
• Warehousing and Inventory  
• Purchasing |
| Level 2 Logistics and Transport Award | • Freight Transport Services  
• Warehousing and Inventory |
| Level 2 Multi Skills Light Vehicle Diploma | • Brakes, steering, suspensions systems, tyres and exhaust systems |
| Level 1 Automotive Mechanical Specialist Diploma | • Brakes, steering, suspensions systems, tyres and exhaust systems |

Vehicle paint technician
Also known as a paint sprayer, vehicle paint technicians give cars their final touch of pizazz (and also protect them from the weather), applying colour and coatings. A great pick for someone who takes pride in getting the detail just right and wants to get their hands on state-of-the-art-gadgets.

Average salary £30,509

Large goods vehicle driver
Large goods vehicle (LGV) drivers deliver goods and materials across the country and sometimes travel overseas. If you’re self-motivated, love driving and are happy working by yourself, then this career could be a good chance to travel and take on a large amount of responsibility.

Average salary £31,559

Garage manager
A garage manager would usually employ staff and look after the management, budgets and daily running of the garage. If you’re great with people, love working with vehicles and have a head for money and numbers, you could go far as garage manager for a company or your own business.

Average salary £40,690

Alternatively, progress on to one of our degree courses at...
PERFORMING ARTS

If you were born to perform – as an actor, singer, dancer or musician – or if you want to work behind the scenes, you’ll be well placed in Greater Manchester with its huge media hub, legendary music scene and fantastic theatre district.

Getting there

At The Manchester College, the focus is getting you ready for real work in this tough but exciting industry. You’ll learn from tutors who are still active in the business, enjoy visits from guest speakers like directors and choreographers, and get masterclasses from some of the best in the business. You’ll perform regularly for the public and have lots of opportunities to network. Our music team have an incredible partnership with Band On The Wall, one of the region’s leading venues. On many music courses, you’ll be able to perform, engineer or promote gigs at the iconic venue.

Entry Requirements

| Level 3 | 4 x GCSE grades 9-4 (A*- C) including English or maths at grade 9-4 and/or prior achievement at Level 2. |
| Level 2 | 4 x GCSE grade 3 (D) or higher including English or maths and/or prior achievement at Level 1. |
| Level 1 | There are no formal entry requirements. Evidence of previous work or a commitment to study may be required. |

Course Qualification Key areas of study

| Level 3 Jazz Music Performance Diploma | Playing in a jazz ensemble and performing solo | History of jazz |
| Level 3 Music Performance Diploma | Music theory and harmony | Music production techniques |
| Level 3 Music Technology (DJ/Performance/Acoustics Pathways) Diploma | Sound engineering using Pro Tools and Logic Pro | Make your own recordings |
| Level 3 Music Technology Diploma | Sound recording and mixing | Live sound operation |
| Level 3 Performing Arts (acting) Diploma | Performance skills and styles | Audition preparation |
| Level 3 Performing Arts (dance) Diploma | Urban (Street) Dance, Jazz, Ballet, Tap and Contemporary |
| Level 3 Performing Arts (Musical Diploma theatre) Diploma | Dance, singing and acting |
| Level 3 Production Arts (technical theatre) Diploma | Practical technical skills | Backstage world of the professional theatre |
| Level 2 Performing Arts (acting) Diploma | Theatre business | Create your own pieces |
| Level 2 Performing Arts (dance) Diploma | Variety of practical dance and performance skills | Create your own pieces |
| Level 2 Music Performance Diploma | Performance skills | Composing music |
| Level 2 Music Technology Certificate | Develop skills in music production, sequencing and DJ skills |
| Level 1 Introduction to Music Technology Award | Hardware and software systems involved in music production |

Dancer/choreographer

As a dancer you could work in ballet, contemporary dance, street dance or one or more of many other genres. You could dance in front of a live audience, on TV or in music videos. Dance is often a ‘portfolio career’, meaning that you would work in lots of part-time or temporary jobs, rather than a full-time one. Many dancers are also choreographers, who create routines for dancers.

Average salary £38,002

Musician

No one needs to be told in these days of TV talent contests that hard work and a thick skin are absolute must-haves if you’ve got your sights on a musical career. What talent shows don’t always show us is that the reality of a music career can be less glamorous, but far more creative, than the experiences of our favourite X Factor contestants. Talented people find amazing careers as session musicians, touring with bands, as songwriters, music managers and many more.

Average salary £31,304

Actor/presenter

As an actor, you might perform on stage, on TV, in films, performance art pieces or radio and voice pieces. Like dancing, acting is usually a portfolio career (unless you play Ken Barlow), so you might also teach or work in arts development, for example. Presenters are often also actors and have a similar job to do in entertaining their audience and communicating information or a story to them.

Average salary £33,509

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Average salaries based on data for the north west regions are collected by EMSI Analyst.

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PUBLIC SERVICES

A career in the public services is a real chance to make a difference. Public services are often associated with the uniformed professions such as the police, ambulance service, armed forces and the prison service, but can also include careers in government, outdoor activities leadership and other non-uniformed roles in the public services sector.

Getting there
At the beginning of your journey, you can get a good overview of the sector with a broad public services qualification. Practical activities are an important part of all our public services courses at The Manchester College, as well as written assignments.

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CAREER PICKS:

Police officer
Police officers protect people, prevent crime and ensure the law is upheld. They can also be a reassuring presence, helping to reduce fear of crime and advising communities on crime prevention. You’ll need to be courageous, fair and level-headed. In return, you’ll be well-placed to give something back to your community.
Average salary £36,587

Probation officer
Probation officers work with offenders to help them change their attitudes and behaviour, and avoid further offences. They might also work with dangerous offenders to reduce their risk to the public. They often provide pre-sentence reports to the courts, advising on what sort of sentence should be passed.
Average salary £31,533

Fire service officer
The impression most of us have of firefighters is of a fire crew rushing to put out a huge blaze. Firefighters, also known as fire service officers, respond to these sorts of emergencies, but also help prevent them in the first place by educating people about safety. As well as fires, the fire service might attend floods, chemical leaks and major accidents.
Average salary £32,926

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Manchester was named the greatest sporting city in the UK after research commissioned by sport website ESPN in 2015. More than 17,000 people are employed in the sporting industry here, at places like the National Cycling Centre, Manchester Aquatics Centre and our two big football clubs. Sport is the love of physical games and exercise, but it also combines exercise with nutrition, science with psychology; and can turn a passion for healthy living into a career.

Getting there
When you enrol on a sports-related course at The Manchester College, you'll benefit from state-of-the-art exercise physiology facilities, including a fully equipped gym, custom-built football centre, pulsoximeters and microspirometers, and specialist scientific tools like cortex metalyzer gas analysis, blood lactate, cholesterol and glucose measurements. Not sure what they are? Join us and you’ll find out soon enough!

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<td>Level 3 Sport &amp; Exercise Science</td>
<td>Extended Diploma</td>
<td>• Healthy living • Role of the athlete • Biomechanics • Elite sports performer • Fitness testing</td>
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<td>Level 3 Supporting the Delivery of Physical Education and School Sport</td>
<td>NVQ</td>
<td>• Preparation for the workplace in a coaching role • Coaching groups within a variety of sports • Leadership skills</td>
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<td>Level 2 Activity Leadership</td>
<td>NVQ</td>
<td>• Essential coaching skills • Preparing for and leading sessions • Looking after children in your care</td>
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<td>Level 2 Sport</td>
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<td>• How the body works • Sports nutrition • Qualities that make a good player</td>
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<td>Level 1 Sport and Active Leisure</td>
<td>Diploma</td>
<td>• How the body works • Importance of exercise for a healthy lifestyle • Job roles in the sports industry</td>
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CAREER PICKS:

School sports teacher
One of the best things about this is that you will work with young people of all abilities and have the opportunity to inspire a lifelong love of fitness and healthy living that goes beyond competitive sports. You will usually coach school teams and arrange inter-schools matches. Like all teachers, you will need a teaching qualification and spend a good chunk of your time planning lessons and marking homework.

Average salary £28,161

Leisure/sports manager
If you manage a fitness centre, gym, leisure centre or health club, you’ll need to know what activities and facilities your customers are likely to want, so a strong background in sports roles is useful. You’ll also need to make sure the centre is profitable and runs to budget, so strong business skills and good ideas are important.

Average salary £26,187

Sports player
If you have the talent and dedication to rise to the very top of your sport, you could become a professional player. While many sportspeople who compete at the highest levels are actually amateurs, some do pursue professional careers. As well as training hard, you’ll need to know the science behind your physical and mental fitness and have a good understanding of your own body.

Average salary £19,968

Alternatively, progress on to one of our degree courses at...
Theatrical and media make-up artists are the creative professionals who get actors, presenters or models ready for their close-up – whether it’s looking flawless to read the news, looking the part for a film or stage show, or looking older, injured or like they come from another planet altogether for a special effects sequence. But theatrical and media make-up is more than cuts, bruises or a spotless complexion. Make-up artists often have a say in how scenes are filmed, for example.

Getting there
You could move into theatrical and media make-up from a salon background or start from scratch with an introductory course. At The Manchester College, you’ll study in our state-of-the-art studios and have lots of opportunities to enter national competitions and get experience on real productions.

Entry Requirements
Level 3 4 x GCSE grades 9-4 (A*- C) including English or maths at grade 9-4 and/or prior achievement at Level 2.
Level 2 4 x GCSE grade 3 (D) or higher including English or maths and/or prior achievement at Level 1.
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Course Qualification Key areas of study
Level 3 Fashion, Theatre and Media Hair and Make-Up Studies NVQ • Airbrush and camouflage make-up • Eyelash and brow treatments • Wig services • Style and dress hair creatively • Fashion and photographic make-up • Plaiting • Working with prosthetic pieces and bald caps

Level 2 Hair and Media Make-Up Diploma • Creation of specific themes • Photographic make-up • Body art design • Themed face painting • Apply make-up • Shaping and colouring eyebrows • Style and dress hair • Temporary hair colour • Plaiting and twisting

CAREER PICKS:

Theatrical make-up artist
Theatrical make-up is becoming closer to make-up for film and TV, as a naturalistic look is now more popular. This is often because performances are filmed or because audiences are used to recorded media. The main difference is that theatre is live and characters may change their costume and appearance rapidly. This can be a very exciting challenge for a make-up artist and you’ll need brilliant timekeeping and the ability to think your way out of a crisis.

Special effects make-up artist
As a special effects artist, you’ll be working to the full reach of your creativity, working with make-up, wigs and prosthetics. You could work in theatres, on film sets, at theme parks or at fashion shows and any other events where a fantastic spectacle is called for. You’ll need to be creative, imaginative and up to working under pressure, sometimes for long hours at a stretch.

Photographic stylist
Stylists use clothes, accessories, make-up, hairstyling, props and settings to create the mood for a photo shoot. In fashion, you would often build this ‘mood’ around the pieces of clothing the shoot aims to showcase. You might also style celebrities for photo shoots. You’ll work closely with photographers and a good understanding of photography will give you the edge. You might style the model yourself or direct a team.

Alternatively, progress on to one of our degree courses at...
TRAVEL, TOURISM & AVIATION

People love holidays and travel, and they hate it when something isn’t right. Well qualified, friendly travel, tourism and aviation professionals can make all the difference. Things to look forward to in this career area range from world travel to the chance to meet lots of interesting people in your home city.

Getting there
At The Manchester College you’ll build up a really broad knowledge of travel, tourism and aviation. We are a Swissport Academy and a member of the Institute of Travel and Tourism. The Academy status puts our students in prime position to fill jobs at Manchester Airport. You’ll get to explore a realistic air cabin and galley set-up on campus. You’ll try out some of the specialist check-in software used by airlines and work with industry-standard equipment like Drager smokehoods for emergency evacuations. You’ll get a specialist uniform to wear, preparing you for a role as a working professional.

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Course Qualification Key areas of study

| Level 3 Travel and Tourism | Diploma/ Extended Diploma | • How the travel industry operates  
• Marketing destinations  
• Roles and responsibilities of holiday reps abroad |
| Level 2 Air Cabin Crew | Diploma | • Cabin crew tasks  
• Airline emergency procedures  
• Health, safety and security policies  
• Aircraft types |
| Level 2 Aviation Environment | Diploma | • Airline and aviation operations  
• Emergency procedures  
• Specialist communications  
• Duties of air cabin crew  
• Check-in services and handling baggage  
• Boarding, arrivals and marshalling procedures |
| Level 2 Travel and Tourism | Diploma | • Customer service  
• Visitor attractions in the UK  
• How airports operate  
• Tour operators  
• Marketing |
| Level 1 Travel and Tourism | Diploma | • Schedule, charter and low cost airlines  
• Role of the air cabin crew |

CAREER PICKS:

Air travel assistant
Also known as air cabin crew, air travel assistants carry out important safety checks and make sure passengers are safe, healthy and comfortable throughout a flight. You’ll need to be friendly and able to keep a cool head, reassuring people and letting them know what to do in an emergency.

Average salary £19,011

Hotel manager/owner
This will ask a lot of you in terms of the time you put in to a business; making sure it runs smoothly, marketing it, taking care of the finances, dealing with complaints – put simply, giving the hotel the love it deserves. In return, you usually have a good amount of control over your own career direction and are in a good place to open your own business if you want to. A good choice for a people person who likes a big project.

Average salary £24,731

Travel agent
Travel agents take the confusing tangle of available flights, hotels, transfers and activities and turn it into a winning business trip or holiday for their customer. You’ll need an interest in, and knowledge of, the sort of destinations your customers travel to, great organisational skills and attention to detail.

Average salary £18,866

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A-LEVELS

A-Levels are subject-based qualifications that can lead to university, further study including HNC/HND, Foundation Degree, Honours Degree, apprenticeship or employment. You normally study three A-Levels over two years. They’re usually assessed by a series of examinations.

Who can study A-Levels?
Anyone between 16-18 who has achieved the required GCSE grades can study A-Levels. They’re highly valued by universities and employers, and focus on academic subjects, although some are work-related.

Who are they for?
If you are thinking about going to university most degree level courses require specific A-Levels or a combination of A-Levels to get onto the course.

Entry Requirements
To study A-Levels you will require at least 5 x GCSE grades 9-4 (A*-C) including English and maths. For some subjects, you may also need science and/or English and maths at grade 5 or higher.

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THREE A-LEVELS AT A*/A? YOU DO THE MATHS!

With three top A level grades at The Manchester College - Hooman has shown that determination and hard work add up to success.

Before moving to Manchester, Hooman’s attendance was poor at his school in Iran. Hooman, now 19, said: “I wasn’t enjoying school, but then I started to play basketball. I really enjoyed it and started to spend about six hours a day playing basketball. I soon became really good at it. This made me realise that if I put time into something, I can become good at it. This soon became my work ethic. I decided to start studying again and joined The Manchester College. I invest a lot of time in studying. If I put in enough time and visualise my future, I believe I will get where I want to be.”

The proof of this approach is in Hooman’s top A-Level results. His hard work and positive view of the future helped him to A*s in maths and further maths, and an A in accounting.

Hooman didn’t let his focus and hard work ethic stop at the classroom. He scooped three awards at this year’s National Maths Challenge, organised by the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust, including highest mark in the school year, highest mark among The Manchester College entrants and a Gold certificate. The Gold award is given to the highest scoring 6-7% of entrants. Hooman is proud to have also won the same three awards last year.

Hooman said: “My maths teacher arranged our entry into the challenge. It is optional, but I thought it would be good for my personal statement. I revised by completing past papers. I strongly believe that if you work for something, you can achieve anything.”

The future looks bright for Hooman. He has accepted a place at Durham University to study for a degree in maths and plans to go on to study for a Master’s and PhD. His career goal is to become a professor. It’s going to be an amazing journey.
FIND YOUR FUTURE

STUDY YOUR DEGREE WITH US

When you enrol at The Manchester College, you will start your journey as a school leaver and could finish as a graduate of UCEN Manchester. UCEN Manchester is our higher education organisation which delivers degree level courses. We’re committed to providing you with the skills, knowledge and success to ensure you find your future.

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- Computing
- Construction and the Built Environment
- Creative Arts & Digital Media
- Health & Care Professions
- Make-Up Artistry & Special Effects
- Criminology and Social Justice
- Sports and Exercise Science
- Teacher Education
- The Arden – Performing Arts
- The Manchester Film School

Here are just a few reasons why you should choose UCEN Manchester:

- exceptional teaching and learning, recognised by our Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) Silver status
- small class sizes that foster a superb personal learning environment
- our students graduate with the skills and qualifications to embark upon a sustainable career or further education
- everything we do is about preparing you for a successful career. More than 90% of our students go on to work or further study within six months of leaving UCEN Manchester*

* based on 16/17 UNISTATS

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HOW TO APPLY

ATTEND AN INTERVIEW
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Visiting also gives you a chance to explore the campus and learn more about life as a student, if you haven’t already.

HOW YOU APPLY TO THE MANCHESTER COLLEGE DEPENDS ON YOUR AGE AND COURSE LEVEL.

School leavers aged 16-18 (non-degree courses)
Applying to study at The Manchester College is really easy. Just follow these simple steps, and you’ll be on your journey to amazing in no time at all.

**STEP 1**
FIND YOUR COURSE AT TMC.AC.UK AND APPLY ONLINE
You can apply on our website tmc.ac.uk or via UCAS Progress if your school uses it. If you need help with any part of your application process, our Course Enquiries team will be more than happy to help you with queries, questions and other formats of the application form.

Once we’ve received your application, we’ll aim to send you confirmation within 48 hours. If you haven’t heard from us after seven days, it’s best to give us a call on 03333 222 444.

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**STEP 4**
GETTING THE RIGHT COURSE FOR YOU
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**HOW TO APPLY**

**STEP 1**
FIND YOUR COURSE AT TMC.AC.UK AND APPLY ONLINE
You can apply on our website tmc.ac.uk or via UCAS Progress if your school uses it. If you need help with any part of your application process, our Course Enquiries team will be more than happy to help you with queries, questions and other formats of the application form.

Once we’ve received your application, we’ll aim to send you confirmation within 48 hours. If you haven’t heard from us after seven days, it’s best to give us a call on 03333 222 444.

**STEP 2**
ATTEND AN INTERVIEW
After we’ve got your application, we’ll invite you to meet our tutors and have a chat about your career goals and future plans. This will usually be at the campus where you’ve applied to study.

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