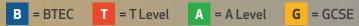


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# **INTEGRITY**

- Acting with honesty at all times, taking responsibility for our own actions.
- Always doing the right thing, especially when no one is looking.
- Demonstrating professionalism, working to fulfil our moral purpose especially when times are challenging.

# **INCLUSION**

- Ensuring that everyone feels welcomed and valued and is allowed to be their true, authentic self.
- Not just recognising, but celebrating the diversity of our community, ensuring that everyone has a voice.
- Making sure that everyone has equal access to what the College does.

# **EXCELLENCE**

- Having high aspirations and expectations for ourselves and those around us.
- Celebrating and valuing expertise and mastery at all times.
- Recognising that personal responsibility affects our ability to fulfil our potential, embracing opportunities to grow and develop our knowledge and understanding.

Welcome to Waltham Forest College!

I am so pleased you are seeking to progress your education, develop your skills, and start your career journey with us. Our College is an aspirational place to learn with highly skilled, supportive staff and industry standard facilities.

As one of London's top performing Further Education Colleges, we have high aspirations for our students and help them to progress to top universities as well as highly skilled and well-paid employment. We work closely with employers, to co-design industry standard training and specialist facilities for high quality technical education and training.

Waltham Forest College was one of only 12 leading institutions selected to be a WorldSkills UK's Centre of Excellence. This provides exciting opportunities for our students to further develop world-class skills, embedding excellence and competing in a global market.

We are proud to be a diverse and inclusive college, supporting and encouraging our students to 'Think BIG' and achieve their aspirations. You can join the growing number of students wishing to transform their lives by coming to our next Open Event.

If you are a parent or guardian wanting to help your son or daughter to make an informed choice about their next steps, we can provide you with all the support you need.

I look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to our college.

Janet Gardner Principal & CEO



# We aim to:

- Improve awareness and understanding of environmental issues
- Continue to improve our energy strategies, green initiatives, environment and estates
- Work with the local community and organisations to improve the local environment
- Develop a carbon neutral estate
- Enhance and integrate sustainable agendas in courses and curriculum

# Our Impact:

OVERALL CARBON FOOTPRINT

36% Properties of the second s

**ENERGY USE:** 

23% DECREASE



**ENERGY USE: GAS** 

58% A

**RECYCLING** 

35% C

- Partnered with the Mayor's of London's new Academies Programme focusing on digital and green skills
- Launched a Sustainability Working Group of staff and students
- Introduced eco-friendly cutlery & food ware to reduce plastic usage
- Introduced LED motion sensor lighting in parts of our estates
- Provided free eco-friendly metal reusable water bottle for staff and students



#### **INDUSTRY SPECIALIST STAFF**

Our teaching staff have relevant industry experience and work closely with top employers, demonstrating their expertise in everyday teaching and learning.

#### **ASPIRATIONAL COLLEGE**

Everything we do is rooted in our desire to always look to the future. 96% of students have progressed onto positive destinations that include higher levels of study top universities and highly skilled employment.

#### FREE BREAKFAST

All students who arrive early to the College are entitled to a free breakfast so you can boost your brainpower ahead of lessons.

#### **ENRICHMENT**

There are so many activities and clubs you can join. These will allow you to increase your circle of friends and equip you with skills and experiences you can transfer into your personal and professional life.

#### **CAREER PATHWAYS**

Our career-focused approach equips you for the career of your choice. You will gain the work-ready skills, industry knowledge, work experience and portfolio that will give you a competitive edge when you apply for your first job.



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Studied:
Computing Level 3
Progressed to:
Queen Mary University
To study
Computer Science and Al



# **Our College**

#### ONE OF THE BEST IN LONDON

 $Waltham\,Forest\,College\,is\,ranked\,in\,the\,top\,3\,Further\,Education\,colleges\,in\,London.$ 

#### **OFSTED**

The College has been graded 'Good' by Ofsted.

#### LONDON'S #1

Voted London's #1 College for 'Learner Satisfaction' by students two years in a row.

#### **GREEN TECHNOLOGIES**

Green Skills Hub for London.

#### MAYOR'S SKILLS ACADEMY

Awarded a Mayor's Skills Academies Quality Mark for skills provision within the green, health & social care, hospitality, creative and construction sectors.

#### WORLDSKILLS

We are proud to be a part of WorldSkills UK's Centre of Excellence. This partnership aims to supercharge the quality and delivery of technical and vocational learning by transferring top-class expertise and knowledge that prepares learners for success in the world of work.

#### **GOOGLE REVIEW**

4.4 star Google review rating.



#### **STEM CENTRE**

The STEM Centre supports skills development in motor vehicle and engineering, including facilities for 3D design and printing capabilities.

#### **ELITE SALONS**

On-campus training facilities for hair, beauty and barbering students. Members of the public, staff and students have treatments to provide hands-on experience.

AND LOTS MORE...

#### **TAKE A TOUR**

Visit our website to guide yourself around our various learning areas as part of a virtual tour.





Develop your interest and talents! We have a variety of activities, societies and events for you to take part in outside your classroom studies that will keep you physically and mentally healthy for your future success.

#### WATCH THE ENRICHMENT VIDEO

Visit our YouTube channel to see what activities our students engage with outside of lessons.



#### **Get Active**

Sports, fitness and trips.

#### **Get Skills**

Mentoring, workshops and live demos.

#### **Get Social**

Clubs, societies and gaming.

#### **Get Rewards**

Jack Petchey Awards, incentives and trips.



your course and focus towards a specialism. Our Careers Team will assist you with your UCAS application and ensure you have all the support you need to choose the right university and degree for you.

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

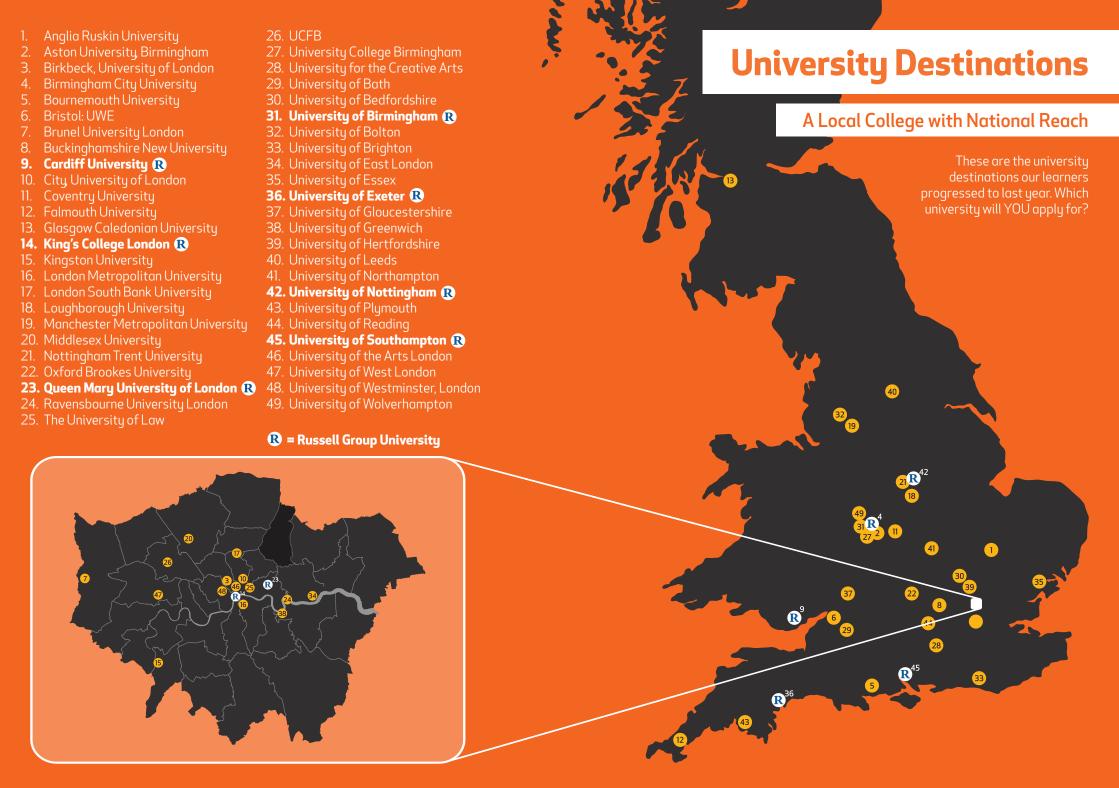
By the end of your time at college you will have had opportunities to engage with employers. This could be through work experience or industry placements, talks, workshops and networking sessions. We will also help you to develop your CV and provide interview practice.

1 day a week at a training provider. Some students start their post-school education at college and then progress after one year to an apprenticeship.

#### PROGRESS IN COLLEGE

We will support your progression through college. This could mean progressing from a Level 2 to a Level 3 course, or ensuring you get the important GCSE grade 4 pass in maths and English.

If you are studying a Level 2 course in business, construction, creative, digital, childcare or health & social care you may be able to progress onto a T Level.



# **GCSEs**

Waltham Forest College now delivers GCSE courses for 16-18 learners, for those who have just missed out on Grade 4s in their GCSE exams and those who have just recently entered the country.

The programme consists of a range of subjects that can be taken in combination with each other to have a complement of GCSEs that lead towards a complete package enabling progression to Level 3 study.

#### Eligibility

To be eligible for this study programme, students must have a minimum of Grade 3 in English (Language and/or Literature) and Mathematics.

Students must be able to demonstrate a positive attitude to their prior studies measured through a student reference and their prior attendance.

\*Please note that courses are subject to change and all updates will be available via our website.

# **GCSE Subjects**

All students on this pathway must study: English Language | Mathematics

Students will then be asked to rank their choices from the following subjects 1: English Literature | Combined Science (Biology, Chemistry and Physics)

Art | Business | Citizenship | Computer Science | Physical Education | Sociology

Visit our website to discover more about GCSEs, register your interest and kick start your application.



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# **A Levels**

Students who come to Waltham Forest College are positive about their experience and most importantly, they are successful. We are continuing to build on our excellent outcomes for our students, including a whole new generation of students by re-introducing A Level provision to the College.

Our A Level programmes are designed to ensure that students are paired with professionals working in fields related to their intended destination.

#### Why Study A Levels with us?

- Smaller groups means more tutor contact time
- More contact time ensures excellent outcomes
- Mentoring from industry professionals
- Targeted work experience programmes and enrichment opportunities to make you stand out from the crowd when applying for university

# **A Level Subjects**

- Biology
- English Literature
- Chemistry
- Government and Politics
- Economics • Mathematics

 Psychology Sociology

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Your suitability for A Level study will be measured against your predicted achievement at GCSE, and your commitment to study measured through references from your current school and your current level of attendance.

Visit our website to discover more about A Levels, register your interest and kick start your application.





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T Levels provide an alternative pathway to A-Levels, BTECs and apprenticeships.

They follow GCSEs and are equivalent to 3 A-Levels.

The 2-year T Level qualification brings classroom and work placement together on a course designed with employers and businesses to give you the skills and knowledge employers are looking for.

# Courses

- Accounting: Assistant Accountant
- Building Services Engineering Electrical Installation
- Building Services Engineering Plumbing
- Digital Production / Design & Development
- Digital Support Services
- Education & Childcare
- Health
- Management & Administration Business Support
- Management & Administration Team Leadership & Management
- Media Broadcast & Production

# Apply now

Visit our website to discover more about T Levels and to make an application.



# Apprenticeships

An Apprenticeship programme is a work-based learning programme that is delivered via a blend of on and off-the-job training, whereby people can apply their skills in real work contexts.

#### Why Study an Apprenticeship?

- Earn while you learn with the prospect of a permanent and full-time position on completion of the programme
- You will gain industry knowledge and skills taught by those with years of experience
- Progression to a Degree Apprenticeship will allow you to develop a greater skill set and remain debt-free

# **Our Offer**

We specialise in the below sectors to ensure we deliver the best service Business Administration | Electrotechnical

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

To start an Apprenticeship you must be 16+ years old - there is no upper age limit, have been a resident in the UK/EU for the last 3 years, pass a basic initial maths and English assessment.

Visit our website to discover more about Apprenticeships, and kick start your application.





#### 1. FIND YOUR PERFECT COURSE

To create your future on the perfect course you can explore this guide or for the most up-to-date listings, visit our website **www.waltham.ac.uk** 

#### 2. SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Apply online via our website - This is the easiest way to make your application and only takes around 5 minutes.

#### 3. ATTEND YOUR INTERVIEW

You will be invited to attend an interview with the course tutor. This will help us and you determine if you have applied for the right course and ensure you are on the level that will best suit you.

#### 4. RECEIVE YOUR COURSE OFFER

At the end of your interview the course tutor will confirm whether you have been given a conditional or unconditional offer. We will keep in touch to update you on what's happening at Waltham Forest College and keep you informed on when you can enrol.

#### 5. ENROLMENT

Enrolment is when you fully signup to your course. We will send you an invitation with a date and time slot for you to attend. You can also talk to our Careers and Learning Support Team for any advice and guidance if you are thinking of taking a different route to your original application,



 $Entry\,Level\,courses\,have\,no\,formal\,qualification\,requirement.$ 

#### LEVEL 1

4 GCSEs at grades 1-2 including English and maths or successful completion of Entry Level course.

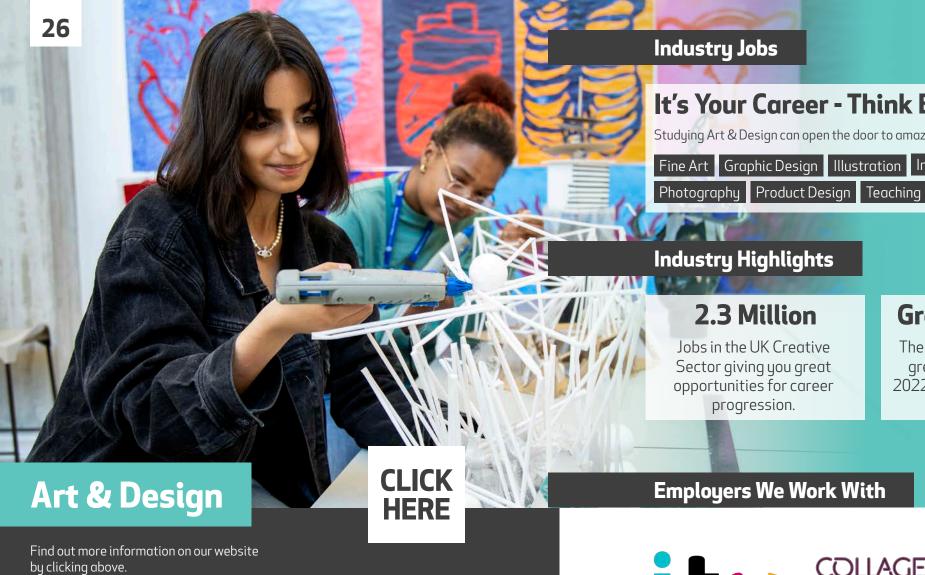
#### LEVEL 2

4 GCSEs at grade 3+ including English and maths or successful completion of Level 1 course.

4 GCSEs at grade 4+ including English and maths or successful completion of Level 2 course.

#### **ENGLISH AND MATHS**

To maximise your employment and earning potential when you leave education, you are required to have at least a Grade 4 in your English and maths GCSEs. If you don't achieve this at school you will have the opportunity to study it with us.



#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Art & Design can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Fine Art Graphic Design Illustration Interior Design

**Industry Highlights** 

#### 2.3 Million

Jobs in the UK Creative Sector giving you great opportunities for career progression.

# **Growth Industry**

The global arts market size grew from \$441 billion in 2022 to \$579 billion in 2023.

**Employers We Work With** 













Art & Design and Fashion

Creative Practice - Art & Design











#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Automotive Engineering can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Automotive Engineer

Garage Manager Motorsport Engineer

Vehicle Technician

# **Industry Highlights**

606,838

606,838 cars manufactured in the UK for export in 2022.

# **UK Motorsport**

41,000 people are employed in UK motorsport. 25,000 are engineers.

# **Employers We Work With**













Automotive Maintenance and Repair Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair **Light Vehicle Inspection** 

by clicking above.













## It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Business can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Business Analyst Data Analyst Finance and Investments

Insurance Marketing Supply Chain Manager

## Industry Highlights

#### 5.6 Million

Businesses registered in the UK as of 2021, 99.9% of them are classified as small or medium.

#### **Employment** Increase

Across all private sector businesses from 2022 to 2023.

# **Employers We Work With**











Digital, Business and Media

Business

by clicking above.

**AAT** Accounting

**Accounting: Assistant Accountant** 

Management & Administration: Business Support or Team Leadership & Management













TLEVEL (13)



#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Computing & Digital IT can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Applications Developer | Cyber Security Officer | Data Analyst

IT Network Professional Forensic Computer Analyst Marketing

#### **Industry Highlights**

## **Employment**

The UK Tech Sector employs over 1.7 million people every year.

## **Opportunities**

The number of tech jobs in the UK has increased by over 30% in the last three years.

# **Employers We Work With**











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Digital, Business and Media

**Digital Information Technology** 

Digital Production, Design and Development

**Digital Support Services** 



Find out more information on our website by clicking above.

**Construction Skills** 

Bricklaying

Carpentry

**Plumbing** 

**Electrical Installation** 

**Building Services Engineering** 





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# **Employers We Work With**















TLEVEL (L3)

Digital, Business and Media

Digital Media & Animation

Media - Broadcast & Production

**Industry Jobs** 

#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Digital Media can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Animation Digital Media Film Making Game Design

Graphic Design | Product Design | Social Media | Web Developer

#### **Industry Highlights**

## 2.3 Million

Jobs in the UK Creative Sector giving you great opportunities for career progression.

# Let's Go Digital

Between 2020 and 2021 digital marketing spending in the UK grew by 9.6%.

## **Employers We Work With**















**Engineering Manufacturing** 

Engineering

# **Opportunities**

Engineering currently accounts for 25% of all UK job postings. This means there is a high demand for your skills.











**About our ESOL Courses** 

English and maths are essential skills for any job or career progression that you may want to pursue. Employers are now demanding candidates show good literacy and numeracy skills.

You will study with young people from around the word with expert maths and English teachers. You will learn about living in the UK and get help with starting your life here. We will help you develop your confidence and communication skills and prepare you for work and further education.

#### **Alumni Testimonial**

**Ghalia** started with us as an Entry Level 1 student. She stayed in ESOL once she turned 19, has passed Level 2 Maths and Level 1 ESOL and is now on a Level 2 Travel and Tourism course in Waltham Forest College.

## **Employers We Work With**









Find out more information on our website by clicking above.

English for Speakers of Other Languages

Multiple Levels









**About our Foundation Learning Courses** 

Foundation Learning courses are designed for students aged 16-24 in possession of a current Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP).

These courses will allow students to develop skills for independent living and community involvement while working on improving self-confidence and communication. The aim is for students to develop skills to prepare them for future life, work or further study.

#### Student and Parents Testimonial

"I just wanted to thank you for listening to me, understanding me, helping me and giving me the support I needed. You were very patient with me and kind with me."

**Boyd, Foundation Learning** 

"I just wanted to thank you for all the help and support you gave Boyd in the two years he was at Waltham Forest College. I hope that the parents of the students you support are grateful for everything you do for them. Many thanks."

Angela (Boyd's mum)

# **Employers We Work With**





Find out more information on our website by clicking above.

Focus on independence Skills Build **Exploring Life Skills** Preparation for Life and Work

Pre-support Internship Pathway to Vocational Studies

Project Search and Support Intern.



# It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Hair, Beauty & Barbering can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Beautician Hairdresser Salon Manager

Theatrical Make-up Artist Therapy Professional

**Industry Highlights** 

#### **Social Media**

Is a major driving force behind the Hair & Beauty Industry.

#### 169 Billion

Beauty video views on YouTube in 2018 with many more on TikTok and Instagram.

**Employers We Work With** 





**Barbering Beauty Therapy** 

Hair & Media Make-Up

Find out more information on our website

Hairdressing

by clicking above.

Hair & Beauty Skills



**Chris & Sons** 





#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Health & Social Care and Childcare can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Dental Nurse | Emergency Care Assistant | Medical Technician

Nurse Paramedic PlayTherapist Teacher Therapist

#### **Industry Highlights**

# **Employment**

There were around 643,900 people working in childcare professions in the UK in 2023.

# **Opportunities**

There are great opportunities to find meaningful work in the health services right now.

## **Employers We Work With**











Find out more information on our website by clicking above.

Childcare

**Education and Childcare** 

Health







TLEVEL (L3)







TLEVEL (L3)



#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Hospitality & Culinary Arts can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Chef Food Scientist Health and Safety Inspector

Hotel Manager Nutritionist Restaurant Manager

**Industry Highlights** 

# **Food Nation**

As of February 2023 there are 42,477 restaurants operating in the UK.

# **Employment**

In 2021, approximately 2.4 million people were employed in the Accommodation and Food Services Sectors.

**Employers We Work With** 



THE **STRATFORD** 







Find out more information on our website by clicking above.

Entry to the Hospitality Industry

Hospitality Services

Hospitality and Cookery

**Professional Cookery** 

















#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Public Services can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Civil Servant Firefighter Forensics Paramedic

Police Officer | Solicitor/Lawyer

# Duke of Edinburgh Award



Accelerate your appetite for adventure and take part in The Duke Of Edinburgh's Award with the promise of a challenging but rewarding experience, designed to enrich your life by discovering new interests and talents.

# **Employers We Work With**









#### **Uniformed Public Services**

by clicking above.

Find out more information on our website

Uniformed Services: University Route and Degree Apprenticeship Route

Law, Criminology and Psychology













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**ESports** 

Sport

#### **Industry Jobs**

#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Sport: Leyton Orient can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Exercise Physiologist Fitness Centre Manager

Leisure and Sports Manager | Personal Trainer | Sports Coach

## **Industry Highlights**

# **Employment**

There is an estimated 155,900 people working in the Sport and Fitness Industry in the UK in 2023.

# **Gym Membership**

Over 15% of the total UK population have a gym membership.

# **Employers We Work With**













#### It's Your Career - Think BIG!

Studying Travel & Tourism can open the door to amazing career opportunities:

Airline Pilot | Events Manager | Hotel Manager

Leisure and Sports Manager Passenger Transport Manager

#### **Industry Highlights**

#### 39.2 Million

People visited the UK in 2017. 63% of visits are for holidays.

#### **Travel Sector**

The UK's Travel Sector contributes 4 million jobs to the UK's workforce and 10% to the UK's total GDP.

# **Employers We Work With**



THE **STRATFORD** 









Find out more information on our website by clicking above.

**Travel & Tourism** 

Travel & Tourism with Cabin Crew









Visit one of our Open Events to discover your perfect course!

Wednesday 1st November 2023 | 4pm - 7pm

Saturday 27th January 2024 | 10am - 2pm

Wednesday 13th March 2024 | 4pm - 7pm

Wednesday 15th May 2024 | 4pm - 7pm

Wednesday 5th June 2024 | 4pm - 7pm

#### **REGISTER FOR AN OPEN EVENT**

Visit our website to register for one of this year's Open Events.



# **How to Find Us**



#### TRAIN / TUBE

Trains run to Walthamstow Central from Liverpool Street station.
There is a 15 minutes walk to the College. Alternatively, you can get a bus.

Wood Street station is approximately 10 minutes walk from the College.

The Victoria Line ends at Walthamstow Central, which is approximately 15 minutes walk to the College.



#### **BUS**

#### From Walthamstow Central:

Bus 275 stops outside the College.

212 stops across the road from the College (Shernhall Street).

Buses 97, 357, 34 or 215 stop at the 'Bell Corner' (junction of Hoe Street and Forest Road). From here, the College is approximately 5 minutes walk.

# From Blackhorse Road Tube station:

Bus 123 also stops outside the College on route between Tottenham and Ilford.



#### CAR

The College car park is restricted during the day to staff and visitors, with the exception of motorbikes and scooters. Parking is available during the evening for students taking evening classes.

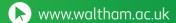
Disabled parking bays are available. If you are a student who requires disabled parking please contact us to find out how we can help you.



#### **BICYCLE**

Bicycle parking is available at the College for all students, staff and visitors.

#### **Contact us:**



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