

# Foundation Learning

## EmpowerED - Empowering Adults through Education

### In Brief

#### Start Date / Duration

This course starts in January 2025. Days and times are variable but will fit around other commitments. This course can be started throughout the year.

#### Entry Requirements

You must be aged between 19 and 24 and not currently in education or employment and you want to develop your skills to raise your employment potential.

#### You will achieve

You will achieve a series of awards aimed at increasing your skills and knowledge to help you progress into further education and gain employment.

### Course Overview

If you are aged between 19 and 24 and want to develop the skills needed to gain employment, our EmpowerED course can support you.

You will study a series of short qualifications with a flexible timetable, which will fit around school hours and your commitments. This will be in person with us for one day a week, with someone online work to complete at times to suit you. The courses range from employability skills to job search techniques to health and safety and more. They aim to help you identify and achieve your career goals, paving the way for further education and employment opportunities.

### Course Content

The EmpowerED course will kickstart your journey into education and employment by providing key information, advice and guidance (IAG) and career planning. We will then dive into a range of qualifications designed to develop your skills and knowledge which can lead into further study and employment. You will explore a range of qualifications which will be customised to help you achieve your career goals.

You will complete a number of short qualifications to help you to identify aspirational employment potential. You can pick specific units or complete a full programme, in which you will study all of the following:

- Employability skills award
- Job search and employment potential award
- Retail knowledge award
- Preparing to work in schools award
- Health and safety awareness award
- Preparing to work in adult social care award

## How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed through the activities you complete

## What Equipment Will I Need?

All equipment will be provided, although to access the online materials you will need access to a phone or computer.

## Where will I study?

Old Mill Lane campus  
Church Street  
Barnsley  
S70 2AX

## What can I do next?

You can progress onto a number of part-time courses at Barnsley College, across a range of different departments, to continue studying. Alternatively you may be ready to move straight into employment.

## How much does the course cost?

This course is free

## Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on 01226 216 267.

## Extra information

### Eligibility for Funding

Part-time courses are only available for learners who are 19 years old and above. You may not have to pay for this course if you are employed but earn below ??23,400 a year, or if you are unemployed and receive Job Seekers Allowance, Employment and Support Allowance or Universal Credit. You will need to provide evidence of your eligibility which will be checked at enrolment.

This course is funded by *South Yorkshire Mayoral Combined Authority (SYMCA) and/or West Yorkshire Combined Authority (WYCA)*. You must be living in the South or West Yorkshire regions to qualify for funding.

## Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or email [info@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk) [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk]

## English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't hold a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths, you will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards achieving a higher grade in English and Maths, we can help you do that too and we offer Level 3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths) which can be added to your study programme.

If you're aged 19 or above and don't hold a a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths we can help. We offer FREE English and Maths qualifications that can be studied on a part-time basis, subject to eligibility.

If you need any further information, please contact our Information Team by calling 01226 216 123 or emailing [info@barnsley.ac.uk](mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk) [mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk]

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