



SOUTH DOWNS COLLEGE

Fantastic range of BTEC courses delivered by friendly and supportive teachers!

Situated near Portsmouth on the beautiful south coast of England, South Downs College is a vocational centre of excellence offering a wide range of BTEC qualifications. With fantastic exam results and extra-curricular activities, it's no wonder that many South Downs College students progress to study at leading universities. Equally, with the range of practical transferable skills gained on BTEC courses, students also have the option to go straight into employment.

South Downs College encourages

students to become independent adults by taking ownership of their studies and managing their spare time effectively, and this is encouraged by the college's progressive approach to timetabling. Classes do not start until 10am because academic research shows that teenagers learn better later in the day. Students then have 5 hours of teaching time per subject, per week, which is more than any other college in the local area. Staff are committed to providing students with the highest level of teaching and learning possible and all students are supported to ensure they reach their fullest potential.



Where is Portsmouth?

- 30 minutes from Southampton
- 1 hour from Brighton
- 1 hour 45 minutes from London
- Population: 216,000
- The perfect base for discovering the south of England

16-18

AGE RANGE

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PUBLIC SCHOOL

EU

STUDENTS

EU STUDENTS ACCEPTED

NON EU

STUDENTS

NON-EU STUDENTS ACCEPTED

TERM

3-4 MONTHS

TERM

SEMESTER

5-6 MONTHS

SEMESTER

AYP

ACADEMIC YEAR

SP

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

LGW

ARRIVAL AIRPORT: LONDON GATWICK



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SCHOOL TYPE

Independent	
State (Public)	•
Private Day	
Private Boarding	

QUALIFICATIONS AVAILABLE

A Level (1 YEAR INTENSE)	
A Level (2 YEAR)	
GCSE	•
T Levels	•
BTEC	•
Extended Project Qualification	
University Foundation	
IB	
Other	

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED

4,200

IELTS LEVEL REQUIRED

5.5

TEACHER : STUDENT RATIO

1:20

AVERAGE NUMBER OF DIFFERENT NATIONALITIES

16

RANKINGS

OFSTED - GOOD

TOTAL NUMBER OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ENROLLED

20

UNIVERSITY ACCEPTANCES

University of the Arts London
The University of Birmingham
The University of Bristol
The University of Southampton
The University of Exeter

SCHOOL ACCREDITATIONS

TES FE Awards 2020- Shortlisted for:
Outstanding Use of Technology
Best Teaching and Learning Initiative

Over 40 courses to choose from

A* - C GRADES

50%

SCHOOL UNIFORM?

No





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SCIENCES

Biology	
Animal Science	●
Agricultural Science	
Environmental Sciences	●
Geology	
Applied Science	●
Physics	

CORE SUBJECTS

Maths	●
English Language	●
English Literature	●

TECHNOLOGY

Media Studies	●
Computer Science/IT	●
Textiles	●
Graphic Design	●

MUSIC AND ARTS

Music	●
Art & Design	●
Drama & Theatre	●
Photography & Film	●
Fashion	●

SOCIAL SCIENCES

Psychology	●
Religious Studies	
Criminology	●
Sociology	
History	
Politics	
Law	●
Classics	
Geography	
Economics	
Philosophy	

OTHER

Travel & Tourism	●
Health & Social Care	●
Engineering	●
Hospitality & Catering	●
Performing Arts & Dance	●
Accounting	●
Music Technology	●
Sport	●
Journalism	●
Beauty Therapy	●
Hairdressing & Make-Up Artistry	●
Business	●
Creative Media Production	●
Digital Games Design	●
International Logistics	●
TV Production	●

PORTSMOUTH

Portsmouth is a highly popular and dynamic island city located on the beautiful south coast of England. With miles of beautiful waterfront, a rich maritime history and a lively and stylish city centre, Portsmouth is the perfect coastal destination that truly offers something for everyone.

International high school students who choose to live in Portsmouth will have a wealth of exciting things to do in their spare time. Their weekends can be spent exploring the city's many world-class visitor attractions, museums and unique shopping and dining destinations, or trying out watersports, taking boat trips to nearby islands or discovering local castles and nature reserves.



THE 'BE EXTRAORDINARY' PROGRAMME

There's a lot more to South Downs College than just gaining qualifications. The pioneering Be Extraordinary programme is designed to provide opportunities for all students to explore beyond their curriculum choices and enrich their student experience. Be Extraordinary allows students to participate in a range of activities focusing on Being Active, Being Employable, Being Involved and Being Adventurous. The activities, which range from work experience and university preparation to school trips and playing sports, all aim to develop students' knowledge and skills and provide building blocks for their chosen future pathways.

SPORTS & EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

- Football
- Basketball
- Rugby
- Badminton
- Netball
- Hockey
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Trampolining
- Volleyball
- Cricket
- Athletics
- Swimming
- Drama
- Debating
- The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme
- School Trips
- Students' Union
- Community Volunteering
- Combined Cadet Force
- LGBT Forum
- Book Club

WHY CHOOSE SOUTH DOWNS COLLEGE?



EXPERT LECTURERS

Whatever course type students choose, they'll be taught by dedicated and experienced lecturers who are experts in their field. South Downs teachers are committed to making lessons interesting and interactive and making sure students get everything they need to achieve their aspirations. Lecturers teach tips and tricks of the industry and pass on their own experience and excellent industry connections, whilst teaching students the key skills they will need to stand out from the crowd when applying for work or university.

STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES

Students can benefit from the wide range of modern facilities across the South Downs campus. Dance studios, science labs, recording studios, a fully-equipped gym and 4G AstroTurf pitch, art studios, study centres, libraries, a sensory room – the list is endless. Between lessons, there are also plenty of social spaces for students to grab lunch or a coffee with friends.

EXCELLENT EXAM RESULTS

South Downs College is a vocational centre of excellence, with a 98% pass rate, 42% of students achieving a high grade pass of A*-B grades and most progressing straight into employment or a university course.



APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- IELTS score minimum 5.5
- Completed application form, returned to Educatus
- Academic reports from the previous 3 years
- Teacher recommendation
- Full immunisation history and medical declaration
- Skype interview with Educatus representative & South Downs College
- Assessment tests

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