



THE FYLDE COAST'S ONLY DEDICATED  
SIXTH FORM COLLEGE FOR 16-19 YEAR-OLDS

# BUILD YOUR FUTURE



## OUR MISSION

INSPIRING LEARNING, DEVELOPING  
CHARACTER, BUILDING FUTURES.



# WELCOME TO BLACKPOOL SIXTH



BTEC TRIPLE  
DISTINCTION  
STAR



“At Blackpool Sixth our students come first and our core values are at the heart of all we do.”

*Nicola Craven - Principal*



# 5 REASONS TO CHOOSE **BLACKPOOL SIXTH**

**1**

## **Specialist 16-19 College**

Blackpool Sixth is the Fylde Coast's only dedicated college for 16-19 year-olds, offering over 60 advanced level options.

**2**

## **Flexible Course Options**

Choose from A Levels, BTEC, T Levels or the Foundation Programme to create a study plan tailored to your goals.

**3**

## **Supportive Environment**

Every student has a Progress Mentor to provide guidance, support progress, and plan future steps.

**4**

## **State-of-the-Art Facilities**

An excellent learning environment with cutting-edge equipment and resources.

**5**

## **Enriching Opportunities**

Enjoy diverse extra-curricular options, including personal development, work experience, sports, leadership roles, and subject academies.

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# COURSE LIST

## A Level Courses (Level 3)

- Accounting
- Ancient History
- Art: Graphic Design
- Art: Fine Art
- Art: Photography
- Art: Textiles
- Art, Craft and Design
- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Drama and Theatre Studies
- Economics
- Electronics
- English Language
- English Literature
- English Language and Literature
- Environmental Science
- Film Studies
- French
- Further Mathematics
- Geography
- German
- Law
- Mathematics
- Media Studies
- Modern History
- Music Technology
- Physical Education
- Physics
- Politics
- Psychology
- Religion, Ethics and Philosophy
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Statistics

All course information and other information regarding study programmes is correct at the time of printing, however the details may be subject to change.

**We would strongly advise checking our website for the most up-to-date information.**

[www.blackpoolsixth.ac.uk/courses](http://www.blackpoolsixth.ac.uk/courses)

## Vocational & T-Level Courses (Level 3)

- CTEC Applied Science
- BTEC Art and Design
- BTEC Business
- Applied Diploma in Criminology
- BTEC Dance
- CTEC Engineering
- BTEC Fashion Design, Promotion & Marketing
- BTEC Film and TV Production
- BTEC Health and Social Care
- BTEC IT
- BTEC Music
- BTEC Musical Theatre
- BTEC Sport
- BTEC Sport & Exercise Science
- BTEC Travel and Tourism
- BTEC Uniformed Protective Services
- T Level: Digital
- T Level: Health

## The Foundation Programme (Level 2)

- BTEC: **Applied Science**
- BTEC Award: **Business**
- BTEC Award: **IT**
- BTEC Certificate: **Creative Skills**
- BTEC Certificate: **Public Service**
- BTEC **Health & Social Care**
- GCSE **English Language**
- GCSE **Mathematics**

[www.blackpoolsixth.ac.uk/foundation-programme](http://www.blackpoolsixth.ac.uk/foundation-programme)

# STUDY PROGRAMMES

At Blackpool Sixth you will follow a full-time study programme which will set you on course for future success. Apart from your chosen subjects, your study programme will also include pastoral mentor support sessions and personal development through career academies, enrichment and work experience.

## LEVEL 2 THE FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

**The Foundation Programme** is designed for students who have just missed out on the entry requirements for our level 3 programmes. This three year option enables them, in the first year, to gain further qualifications at level 2 and develop the skills required for future success before moving onto a two year level 3 programme.

## LEVEL 3 A LEVEL

Our **A Level study programmes** are excellent preparation for university and high apprenticeship entry. You can include up to three A Levels in your study programme - there is plenty of choice.

## LEVEL 3 COMBINED

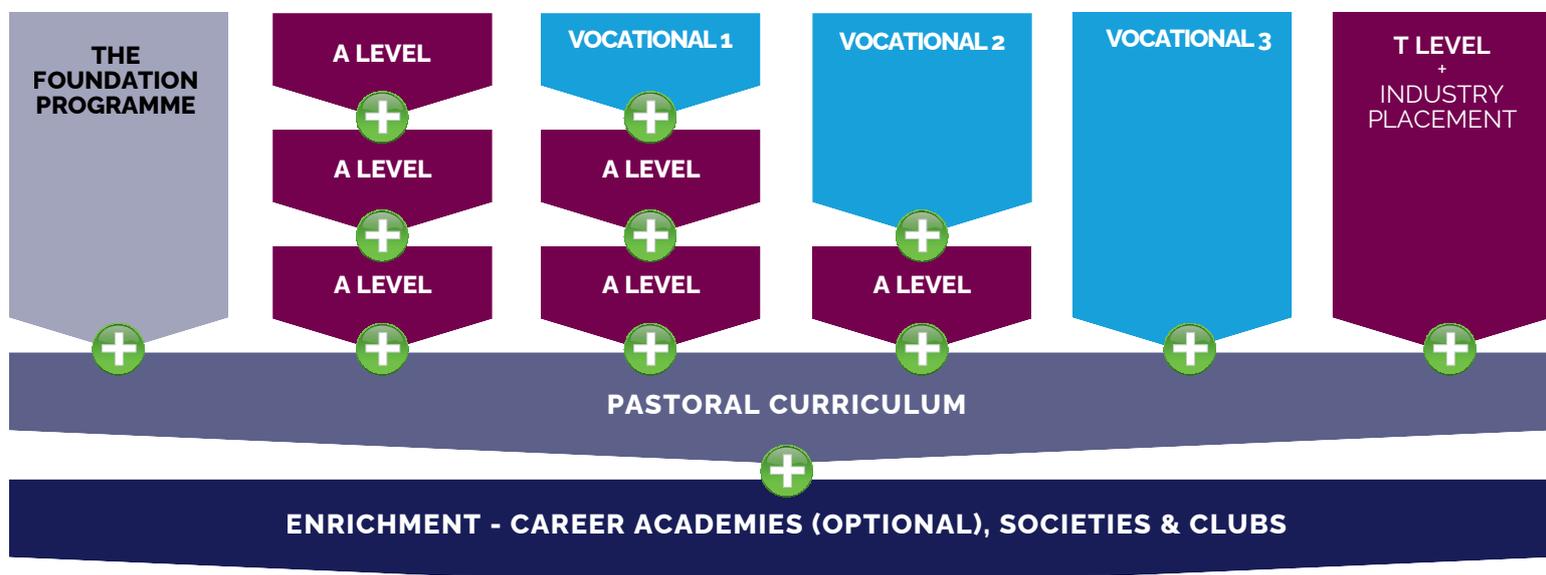
Our **Combined Programme** provides an opportunity to create a package of study that includes elements of both vocational and A Level study to suit an individual's career aspirations; this works particularly well when grouping together related courses.

## LEVEL 3 VOCATIONAL

A **vocational study programme** could be for you if you want to focus on a particular industry or vocational area. Vocational study programmes include courses like BTECs, and CTECs, with Level 3 courses equivalent to A Levels. Courses are offered as single, double or triple; your study programme will include three (or the equivalent of three) courses.

## LEVEL 3 T LEVEL

**T Levels** are an alternative to A levels, BTECs, apprenticeships and other 16-19 courses. Developed with employers, they are equivalent to three A levels and combine the academic elements of A Levels with the vocational aspects of BTECs and the practical experience of apprenticeships.



# CAREER PATHWAYS

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Health Professions and Social Care



Sport and Wellbeing



Engineering



Science and Technology



Digital



Education



Law, Society and Public Service



Tourism and Hospitality



Enterprise, Retail and Entrepreneurship



Language and Culture



Creative



Performance

At Blackpool Sixth, you'll find a wide range of Level 3 courses to choose from, including both A Levels and vocational options, as well as a smaller number of Level 2 courses that match student interests and local skills needs.

Our Pathways are groups of subjects linked to clusters of careers. They are designed to help you make informed choices about your study programme and future options. These pathways have been chosen as they reflect both local and national job opportunities including areas of growth.

Each Pathway is linked to a set of career areas and can be especially helpful if:

- You already know the field you'd like to work in and want your subjects to support this
- You're not yet sure, but want to begin shaping a sense of direction
- You have no clear career idea right now, but want to focus on subjects you enjoy—pathways can help you see how your choices connect to different careers

It's important to know that career pathways don't restrict your choices. As long as you meet the entry requirements, you can tailor your study programme to suit your interests and goals. Pathways are simply a tool to give you guidance and a clearer picture of where your choices could lead.

### OFSTED SAID:

"Students develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours that they need for what they want to do next. Almost all students go on to positive destinations, including prestigious higher education institutions and apprenticeships. Students with high needs thrive both academically and socially."

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# ENRICHMENT

## CAREER ACADEMIES

Each Career Pathway also links to one or more Career Academy. These academies help you develop a wide range of transferable skills and a greater understanding of careers available through a year-long career-focused programme of fun and exciting activities.

Even if you don't join a Career Academy, you will still benefit from:

- Support and guidance from a Progress Mentor
- Careers support from the Futures team
- Access to a wide range of enrichment activities across the college
- Opportunities for work experience and volunteering

Some students will also be part of a specialist programme, such as the Excellence Programme or the Foundation Programme, which offer additional support to help you reach your full potential and prepare for your next steps.



**ENTREPRENEUR ACADEMY**



**DIGITAL ACADEMY**



**ENGINEERING ACADEMY**



**JOURNALISM ACADEMY**



**LAW ACADEMY**



**LEADERSHIP ACADEMY**



**MEDICAL SOCIETY ACADEMY**



**RESEARCH ACADEMY**



**SCIENCE ACADEMY**



**SPORTS & EXERCISE SCIENCE ACADEMY**



**TEACHING ACADEMY**



**HEALTH ACADEMY**



**MUSICIANS ACADEMY**



**PERFORMERS ACADEMY**



**VISUAL ARTS ACADEMY**

**ACA**

BLACKPOOL SIXTH ACADEMY OF CREATIVE ARTS

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# SPORTS ACADEMIES

We have many extra-curricular sports and physical activities for students to enjoy.

Often, students choose to participate in more than one. You may want to be part of a successful team or simply want to join in for exercise and enjoyment.

We run teams in:

- **Basketball** (male and female)
- **Netball** (female)
- **Rugby** (male)
- **Football** (male and female)



# CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

Our enrichment programme is full of activities and events that complement our courses at Blackpool Sixth, helping you develop new skills and relevant knowledge to ensure your university or job application stands out.

Sign up for our enrichment activities, and you will meet like-minded people. Past students tell us their best college memories feature friends who participated in enrichment activities.

We offer various clubs and societies for students to participate in such as musical theatre, badminton, table tennis, climbing, DofE, yoga, book club, 5-s-side football, LGBT+, Eco Action, Student Union and many more.

These clubs are optional and run at lunchtimes, Wednesday afternoons and after college.



Duke of Edinburgh Award (DofE)



Eco Action



## OFSTED SAID:

"Students at Blackpool Sixth enjoy an extensive enrichment programme, taking part in clubs, societies, and community projects."

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# The Excellence Programme

Blackpool Sixth's Excellence Programme has been specially crafted to support our highest performing students in their studies and prepare them for entry to the country's top universities. As an Excellence Programme student, you will take part in an exciting and challenging programme, designed to help you to meet your aspirations and succeed to the very best of your ability.

## What does the Excellence Programme involve?

- **Career Academies** - A fantastic range of 'academies' offer you the chance to develop extra skills outside of your core subjects.
- **EPQ - The Extended Project Qualification** enables you to undertake your own independent research project and gain a qualification that is highly valued by universities, and in some cases can help to lower your university entrance offer.
- **Super-curricular lectures** - These feature a diverse range of talks, from space and architecture to cutting-edge medical researchers, and are designed to further your thinking beyond the classroom.
- **Prestigious universities** - Blackpool Sixth has a proven record of students gaining highly competitive places at some of the best universities in the country, including Oxford and Cambridge. All students receive support throughout the application process to university, and students on the Excellence Programme are no exception. They will receive individual support in the application process to the most selective universities, including high and highest tariff (Russell Group) institutions.
- **Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths Excellence** - Specific support for medical, dentistry and veterinary school applications.



The Excellence Programme, Oxbridge programme and medical society all helped me develop the skills required to gain a place at Cambridge University.

- Abigail Jukes, former student

### OFSTED SAID:

"Blackpool Sixth's teachers are subject experts who inspire their students through clear curriculum design, expert questioning, and carefully structured feedback."

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# STUDENT SUPPORT



## Progress Mentors

At college, your physical and emotional welfare is key to your success. That's why every student is assigned a Progress Mentor to help you settle in and thrive.

Your mentor delivers weekly pastoral curriculum sessions, covering:

- Career advice and guidance
- Mental and physical well-being
- Life skills, like managing finances

These sessions prepare you for life after college, while also providing opportunities to discuss any individual needs.

Additionally, one-to-one meetings with your mentor focus on:

- Academic progress and personal development
- Setting improvement targets
- Making career and higher education decisions

## Additional learning support

Our dedicated team supports students with special educational needs, disabilities, or emotional challenges, including access to counselling. We work with you to ensure you have everything you need to succeed at Blackpool Sixth.

## Technology support

We encourage students to bring a laptop or tablet to lessons. If you don't have a device and are concerned about costs, contact us for information on bursary schemes and access funds that can help.

## Careers and education information, advice and guidance

Our experienced Futures Team is here to help you plan your next steps. Whether you're unsure of your path or need support with career plans, they'll guide you. From work experience to extra-curricular activities, they'll help boost your CV and prepare you for the future.

## Transport and financial support

If you need help with transport or finances, speak to us! We work with local providers to offer affordable travel options and provide financial support packages for students to cover study-related costs.

## Learning resources

The FYi is the college's library and learning resource centre. You can rely on our study advisers to help you find all the books and web resources you need for reading and research. With over 10,000 books in the library, there will surely be something to start your next reading adventure.



### OFSTED SAID:

"Students appreciate the positive and respectful culture at the college. They feel confident to be themselves. Students with high needs quickly develop independence and confidence. They take increased responsibility for their own learning, overcoming what they saw previously as barriers. Students feel safe in college. They appreciate the calm and well-structured environment."

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# STUDENT SUCCESS



Aimee Duerden, a former Saint Aidan's Church of England High School student, achieved a Triple Distinction\* in BTEC Level 3 Performing Arts: Musical Theatre. Aimee is going to Bird College in London, where she will continue to pursue her passion for Musical Theatre.



Dan Abbott, a former Garstang Community Academy student, achieved an outstanding set of A Level results at Blackpool Sixth: A\* in Further Mathematics, A\* in Mathematics, and an A in Accounting. Dan is now progressing to a high-level apprenticeship with MHA Accountants.



Bella Beatton, has achieved an exceptional set of A Level results: A\* in Psychology, English Literature, Extended Project Qualification, and an A in Ancient History. Bella will now be taking the next step in her academic journey at the University of Oxford, where she will study Classical Archaeology and Ancient History—a course perfectly suited to her passion and dedication.



Huge congratulations to Jesse Moseley, who started on our Foundation Programme before progressing to Level 3 BTEC Film and Television Production RQF, achieving the highest grade possible – Triple Distinction Star. Jesse is now taking the next step at Escape Studios (accredited by Coventry University) to master the art of visual effects.



Harrison Hawe, former Baines School student studied A level History, Sociology and Law at Blackpool Sixth. Harrison is now beginning an internship with Project SEARCH Blackpool, a transition-to-work programme designed for young adults aged 16 to 24 with SEND.

## OFSTED SAID:

"Learners arrive to lessons well-prepared, motivated, and ready to succeed, making full use of the college's top-tier resources, welcoming atmosphere, and strong academic support."

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# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Here are just some examples of the destinations of recent former students:

- **Oxford University**  
Medicine
- **Cambridge University**  
Archaeology
- **Warwick University**  
Maths
- **Warwickshire Police**  
Police Constable Degree Apprenticeship
- **Lancaster University**  
English Language
- **University of Birmingham**  
Operating Practitioner
- **Cardiff University**  
Genetics
- **King's College London**  
Ancient history
- **BAE Systems**  
Degree Apprenticeship in Project Management
- **Bentley Motors**  
Degree Apprenticeship
- **Blackpool Victoria Hospital**  
Employed as a Health Care Assistant
- **University of Dundee**  
Architecture
- **University of Edinburgh**  
Graphic Design
- **University of Glasgow**  
Earth Science
- **De Monfort University**  
Dance
- **University of Leeds**  
Civil and Structural Engineering
- **Durham University**  
Music
- **Aberystwyth University**  
Astrophysics
- **University of Exeter**  
Law
- **Jet2 Manchester**  
Employed as Cabin Crew



Almost all of our students progress to university, higher apprenticeships, other jobs with training or a gap year

## International destinations of recent former students:

**The New York Film Academy**  
Filmmaking

**University of Canterbury in New Zealand**  
Degree in Law and Psychology

**Madrid, Spain**  
Employed as an Au Pair and studying Spanish at a language school



Megan Willmot studied A Level Biology, A Level Chemistry, A Level Psychology and an EPQ.

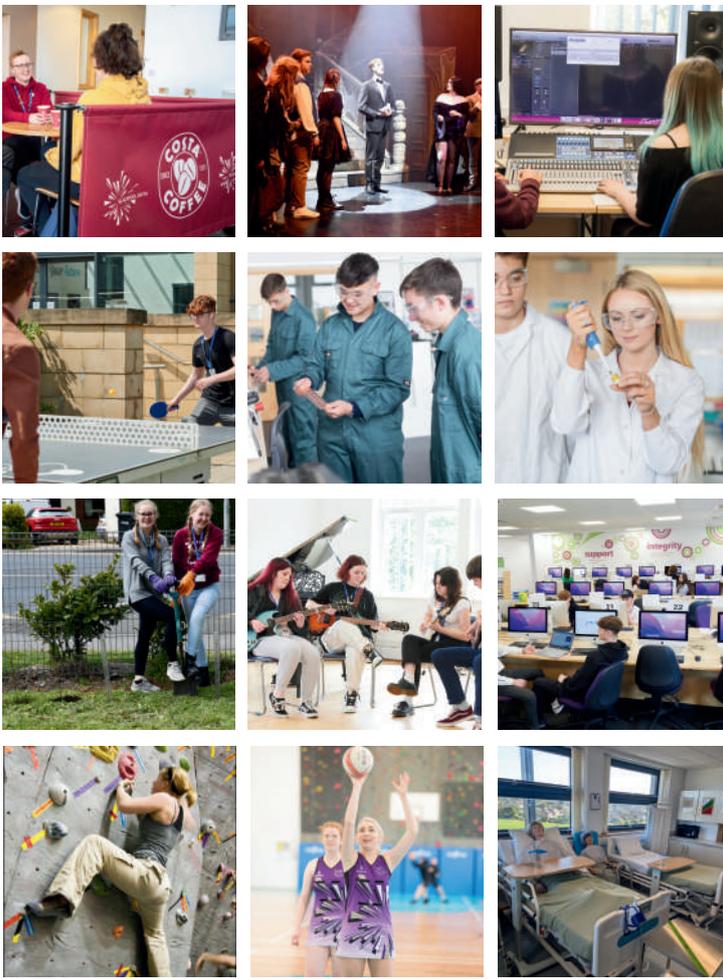
“Blackpool Sixth helped me achieve the necessary grades to join my dream course Medicine at Bangor University.”



“I have really thrived at Blackpool Sixth, mainly due to the friendly environment. I could not have felt more included or valued at college.”  
Student Feedback

# FACILITIES

Blackpool Sixth students benefit from an excellent campus which is spacious, modern and extremely well-equipped.



- State-of-the-art science laboratories
- FYi – excellent library and study zone
- Outstanding technology for learning
- State-of-the-art classrooms
- 300 seat professional standard theatre
- New T Level Health ward
- Professional drama studios
- Professional standard dance studio
- New fully equipped music recording rooms
- Sports hall with climbing wall
- On-site gymnasium
- Engineering facility
- The Frame – excellent open plan art centre
- Wheelchair access throughout the building
- Excellent catering facilities
- Costa coffee with seating areas
- Faith Space
- Attractive grounds including orchard and wildlife area
- Polytunnel for growing projects

## Blackpool Sixth

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- TASTER SESSIONS
- OPEN DAYS
- NEW STUDENT DAY
- COURSE DISCUSSIONS
- PERFORMANCES

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# RESULTS DAY 2025



**95%**

OF STUDENTS SECURED THEIR  
**FIRST CHOICE  
UNIVERSITY**

\*National average is 82%

**98%**

LEVEL 3  
**PASS RATE**

51 COURSES ACHIEVED

**100%**

**PASS RATES**

# FEEDBACK

Hear what our students and parents have to say about their experiences with us!

**"Blackpool Sixth offers an opportunity to learn and reach your potential while also allowing you to be independent and grow as an individual."**

**"You are guaranteed to experience new and exciting learning adventures in subjects that you love. You also have a supportive system of staff and students preparing you for the future."**

**"6Xtra and the Excellence Programme have been great ways to develop new skills and meet new people."**

**"Nothing has been too much trouble for these dedicated teachers - high expectations of their students, clear subject knowledge, an amazingly organised approach to their teaching and constructive feedback - the list is genuinely endless."**

**"I have enjoyed all the opportunities that Blackpool Sixth offers. There is something tailored to everyone's interests."**

**"My son gained a first in his Physics degree at Manchester University. His physics teacher at Blackpool Sixth played a huge part in his success."**



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