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Adult **Course Guide**



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Are you ready to
kickstart your future?



Welcome to Southwark College, one of London's top further education colleges in the vibrant heart of SE1.

At Southwark College, we believe in your potential. Our dynamic campus offers flexible learning options and modern facilities, perfect for exploring your passions and gaining new skills.

Your wellbeing is our priority, and we are committed to providing a safe, supportive environment that helps you thrive. Whether you are aiming for further study or kickstarting a new career, our dedicated team is here to guide you.

Check out our exciting work-focused courses and join us at our open events to discover our welcoming community.

We know that sometimes students change their minds or want more help around careers and university. We can offer you a session with one of our qualified careers advisors to help you with this. To arrange a session, or if you need any further information, please contact us on **020 3757 4000**, **info@southwark.ac.uk** or via live chat on our website at **www.southwark.ac.uk**

We look forward to meeting you at the College very soon.



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Your college in the heart of London

At our modern campus, you will study in great facilities with real-work environments, including an aircraft fuselage classroom, technical theatre studio, art and design workshops, dance studios, and science labs.

Our courses are designed in partnership with leading London employers and every student has access to the NCG Guarantee, offering them the opportunity to benefit from:

- » Attending masterclasses, guest speaker sessions, industry visits as well as student support, group tutorial and careers advice
- » Learning Support and Resource Centre with e-learning materials and study support
- » Taking part in national competitions, work experience and volunteering placements
- » Employability Hub with access to part-time job vacancies and work experience with local employers and support to improve your CV and job applications
- » An active Student Union and enterprise and enrichment programme offering a range of sports, clubs, societies, visits and international trips
- » On-site café and discounts in the many catering facilities in the area



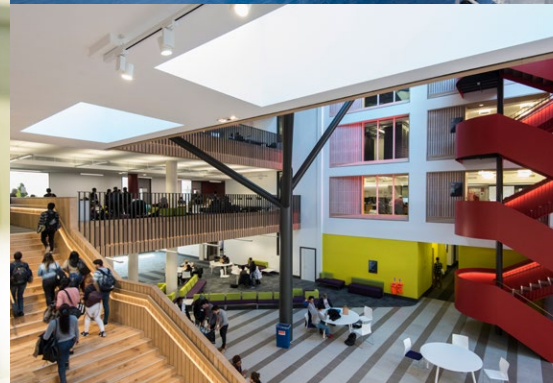
Facilities

Southwark College has a wide range of high quality facilities across our modern campus.

Ranging from contemporary spaces to hi-tech demonstration spaces, including aircraft fuselage classroom, to a full-sized theatre.

If you would like to visit us, book in for an open day at southwark.ac.uk/opendays.

Contact us today





Open Events

Join our Open Day events to find out more about the College, meet the teachers and speak with our Advice and Guidance team.

Our Open Days take place on campus and are a great way to get a feel for College life and see our facilities. At our events you can:

- » Hear from our students and teachers
- » Find out more about our courses
- » Receive information about the support we offer
- » Find out more about student life

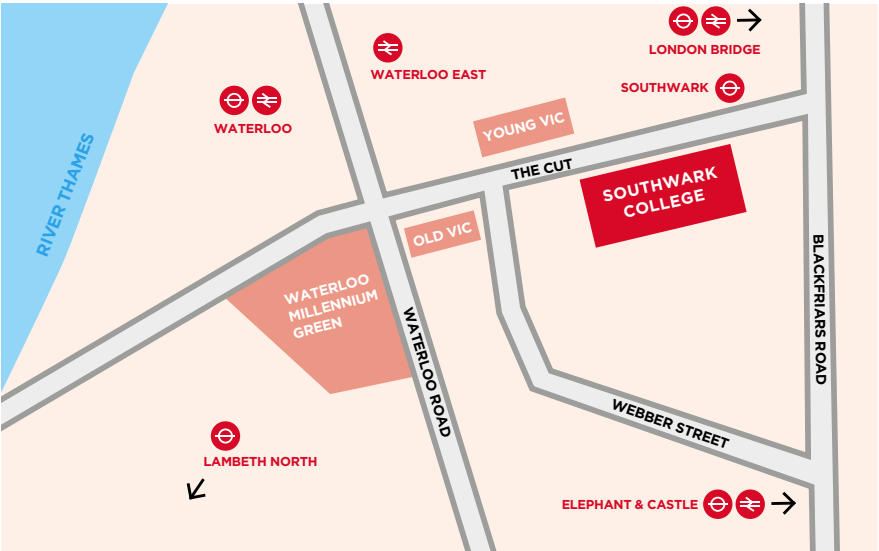
Register today!
southwark.ac.uk/open-days



Study in SE1

You will find our campus right in the heart of London on The Cut in SE1, across from Southwark tube station. We are a stone's throw away from Waterloo and London Bridge stations.

There are several bus, rail and tube routes close by, making it easy to travel to us from across Greater London and the surrounding counties.



Southwark College
25 The Cut
London
SE1 8LF

Nearest Travel routes.

- Buses:** 1, 4, 26, 59, 63, 100, 155, 168, 171, 172, 176, 188, 381
- Tube:** London Bridge, Waterloo or Southwark
- Rail:** London Bridge, Waterloo or Waterloo East



Information, advice and guidance

Choosing your next step is an exciting time but we know you may have questions about what happens next.

We are here to support you on your journey and keep you informed throughout the process so that you have everything you need before enrolment begins.

Look out for our regular emails, which will remind you of key dates and update you on the latest news from the College.

If you have any questions in the meantime, you can contact our student advisors on **020 3757 4000** or by email to info@southwark.ac.uk.



Our friendly digital representatives will also be available to help you through the application and enrolment process. You can speak to them via our web messenger service southwark.ac.uk/chat, on a Live Q&A on our **socials** or online webinars for applicants.



Supporting your career

We have a dedicated employability and careers team to support you throughout your time at Southwark. Our partnerships with employers, local community organisations and universities will give you the foundation you need to develop your confidence, knowledge and skills.

Southwark College has industry links with hundreds of employers across London and can support you to find great work experience and volunteering opportunities as well as part-time work to enhance your CV and UCAS applications.

The world is evolving and we support our students to embrace that change. Today's employers are increasingly looking for individuals who can make a difference and at Southwark College you will have access to a range of opportunities for your career and to achieve your future goals.



Supporting your student experience

We encourage students to get involved in all aspects of College life. Each class will elect Course Representatives, who are invited to discuss any concerns with College management staff on a regular basis. The Student Union will also work to help organise student-run events.

You will also be able access a range of student benefits, including student discounts.

Starting college with confidence

Choosing the right course is about more than submitting an application. It's about feeling informed, supported and confident in your decision.

Throughout the year, we run a range of events designed to help students understand what to expect and prepare for college life.

These events give you the opportunity to meet our teams, explore your options and feel confident about your next steps.

» Open Days

Visit the college, explore our facilities and speak directly with tutors and support teams. Open Days are ideal if you are still deciding which course is right for you or want to experience college life first-hand.

» Principalship and Admissions Webinars

Join our online webinars to learn how Southwark College works and understand the application and enrolment process.

Led by senior leaders and admissions specialists, these sessions cover entry requirements, timelines and what happens after you apply, with live Q&A so you can ask questions from home.

» Curriculum Spotlight Events

Subject-focused sessions that give you a deeper insight into the courses you are interested in. You will learn about course content, assessment, progression routes and career opportunities, and meet the tutors who teach on the programme.

» Taster Sessions

Experience college learning before you enrol. Take part in hands-on activities, use specialist facilities and see what studying your chosen subject is really like.

» Student Support and Welfare Events

Events designed to help you understand the support available at college, including wellbeing, learning support and financial guidance. These sessions introduce the teams who are here to support you, from learning mentors to financial support staff, helping you understand what help is available throughout your time with us.

» Careers and Employability Events

Connect with employers, universities and training providers, explore future pathways, apprenticeships and career options and gain practical advice to help you plan for life after college.

» Creative and Celebratory Events

College life is also about celebrating success and getting involved in the wider community. From showcases and festivals to end-of-year celebrations, these events highlight students' achievements and give families and employers the chance to see the work our learners produce.

Find out more

We recommend attending as many events as possible to help you feel confident and fully prepared for your next step. Details of upcoming events and how to register can be found at southwark.ac.uk/events.



Supporting your wellbeing

We have a dedicated team to help with welfare and safeguarding concerns and emergency situations.

You can access counselling support as well as one-off support and advice. If you have a diagnosed mental health concern we will do all we can to support you.

You can contact the Safeguarding Team by emailing **safeguarding@southwark.ac.uk**.

We can also support you if you are a parent or carer. If you have any learning difficulties or disabilities or require exam access arrangements the team will discuss ways the College can support you.



Supporting care experienced students

Students who are in, or have been in, the care system may face several additional challenges, so we work in partnership with carers, social workers, virtual schools and other professionals to implement a bespoke support plan that will give you the support you need.

Each care experienced student at the College is supported by a designated college team/colleague.

To find out more visit: **southwark.ac.uk/careleavers**





Fees, finances and bursaries

Studying at Southwark College is an investment in your future. It is important to us that attending college is affordable and that you have access to any financial support for which you are eligible.

Adult courses are usually subject to tuition fees but in many cases, courses can be funded. There is a range of financial support available that may help you to pay for your course as well as other costs related to attending college, such as books, travel and equipment.

The fees you will pay will be determined by the course you enrol on and your own personal circumstances.

Further information on course and resources fees is available on our website or by speaking to the student finance team on campus.

Our Student Services team can help you to apply for additional bursaries or funding, including:

» Advance Learner Loan

This government loan provides support with tuition fees for adults (19+) on Level 3 to Level 6 courses.

» 19+ Study Award

This provides support towards costs related to attending college for adults experiencing financial hardship. Awards are subject to eligibility criteria and available funding. Payments are made half-termly and require a minimum attendance of 85%.

» Travel Support

If you live more than three miles away from the College, you may be eligible for a Travel Award which helps with the costs of travelling to College.

If you are a full-time student aged 19 to 25 and have a Statement of Educational Need (SEN), you may be eligible for transport support from your local Council.

» Care to Learn scheme

Successful applicants of this scheme receive up to £175 a week towards childcare costs while you study if you are under 20 and a parent.

» 20+ Childcare Award

A Childcare Award is available to help parents aged 20+ with the costs of childcare while they attend college. If you have a household income of £21,000 or less you may be eligible for this award.

» Totum Card

The National Union of Students (NUS) Totum Card give you access to discounts for eating out, shopping, music, travel and more.

Visit the Student Services team on campus or email bursaries@southwark.ac.uk for further advice and guidance on applying for a bursary or accessing financial support.

Information correct at the time of going to print, please visit southwark.ac.uk/finance for the latest information.

All financial support is subject to eligibility and availability.

Your journey: From application to enrolment

Follow these simple steps to apply for a course.

Application Steps



What happens next?

Once you have submitted your application, you will receive a confirmation email and an invitation to the next stage of the process.

After completing the application process and having received a conditional offer for your chosen course, you will receive an invitation via email to book your enrolment appointment in August.

This is where you fully enrol and receive your Learner Agreement and Student ID card.



Choosing the right course for you

Choosing your next step can be challenging, with many subjects and qualifications offered at different levels. The level you study will depend on your previous qualifications, skills and experience.

Use our levels chart to find the right course for you.

You will find the levels clearly indicated in each subject area, giving you a better understanding of the course’s depth and entry requirements. This way, you can choose the option best suited to you.

Level	Qualifications	Entry requirements	With this qualification you could progress on to:
E3 Entry Level 3	Awards, Certificates/ Diplomas, Functional Skills, Foundation Learning, Skills for Life	There are no entry requirements but if you do not have any qualifications you will be asked to take an English and maths test	Level 1 course
L1 Level 1 (Foundation)	BTECs, NVQs, Functional Skills, Foundation Learning Tier Pathways	There are no entry requirements but if you do not have any qualifications you will be asked to take an English and maths test	Level 2 course or apprenticeship
L2 Level 2 (Intermediate)	GCSE grades 4-9, BTECs, NVQs, Functional Skills and Preparation for Access to Higher Education	Four GCSEs at grades 9 – 3/A* – D (English and Maths desirable) or a Level 1 qualification	Level 3 course, apprenticeship or employment with training
L3 Level 3 (Advanced)	GCSEs in applied subjects, International Baccalaureate, BTECs, NVQs, T Levels and Access to Higher Education	Four GCSEs at grade 9-4/A*- C, including English and maths, or a Level 2 qualification in a related subject and Level 2 Functional Skills English and maths	Higher Education, higher level apprenticeship or employment
T T Level Programmes (Advanced)	T Levels are two-year Level 3 programmes equivalent to three A Levels, designed with input from employers to equip students with essential skills for future careers	Five GCSEs at grade 9-5/A*- B, including English and maths, or a Level 2 qualification in a related subject and Level 2 Functional Skills English and maths	Higher Education, higher level apprenticeship or employment

Our courses

Whether you are planning to return to work after a break, looking for a promotion in your current career, or wanting to move into a new field you’ve always dreamed about, Southwark College can help you achieve your goal.

Our wide range of courses will give you the skills and knowledge you need to make your next move, and by learning alongside other adults, you’ll widen your network of contacts and build your confidence, too.

We welcome thousands of adult learners every year and offer flexible learning options to suit busy lifestyles. You can choose from evening, weekend, short or even online courses, which enable you to fit study around your work or family commitments.

Whether you are looking to develop new skills now or planning your future progression, you can also explore Higher Education opportunities at our dedicated HE centre in Canary Wharf.





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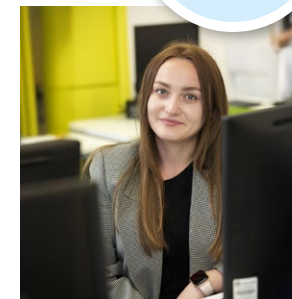


Business and Finance



Do you have an eye for opportunity and innovation?

Our Business and Finance courses will equip you with essential skills for the business world. Under the guidance of experienced teachers and industry professionals, you will engage in real-world projects that prepare you for careers in accounting, administration, finance, and more.



Key opportunities include:

- » Exploring theories in strategy, consumer psychology, marketing, and operations
- » Collaborating on group projects that reflect real business scenarios
- » Improving presentation skills through team tasks
- » Gaining insights from professionals in international organisations



Our courses include:

- L1 AAT Access Award in Bookkeeping**
- L1 AAT Award in Business Skills**
- L1 Certificate in Business and Finance**
- L2 AAT Certificate in Bookkeeping**
- L2 Preparation for Access to Business and Law**
- L3 BTEC Foundation Diploma in Business**
- L3 Access to HE Diploma Business and Law**



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School of English

ESOL

ENGLISH
AND
MATHS

GCSE

Giving you the skills you need if English is not your first language

We offer English, maths and ESOL (English for speakers of other languages) courses at all levels and for a range of specialist careers, which means you can study on exactly the right course for you.

What you will experience:

- » Improve your English language with the support of dedicated teachers
- » Learn about British culture and citizenship
- » Gain vital skills for a variety of purposes, including employment, further study or communicating with English speaking friends and family



Our courses include:

ESOL for Life, Work and Study

Pre-Entry, Entry, Level 1 and 2

Functional Skills

Pre-Entry, Entry, Level 1 and 2

L2 GCSE English

L2 GCSE Maths

Employability and Skills

Free courses for job seekers

Many of our courses are free/funded for job seekers, so if you are currently unemployed and looking for work, our employability courses, including Sector-based Work Academy Programmes, offered in partnership with employers could help you develop your skills, gain new qualifications and get ahead at work.

We can also provide support with finding employment and using job boards, CV/job applications and interview techniques, so get in touch today to get ready for your future.

Current courses include:

- » Health and Care
- » Hospital/Clinical Care
- » Facilities Management and Support
- » Security
- » English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- » Heating and Plumbing Field Service Engineering
- » Working in Education

Courses are added throughout the year, with our large range of employer partners offering exciting new opportunities regularly.

Visit our website for the latest employability programmes available at Southwark College:

southwark.ac.uk/employability





southwark.ac.uk/health



Health and Social Care



Develop your desire for helping people

Our government recognised courses will give you the essential knowledge and expertise to work in this rewarding care sector.

What you will experience:

- » Gain a thorough understanding of equality, diversity, inclusion, healthcare legislation and health and safety.
- » Opportunities to gain real experience in the Health Industry, caring for those in need in a variety of settings

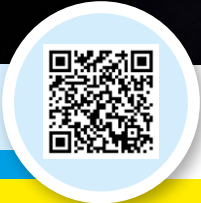


Our courses include:

- L1 L2** Certificate in Skills for Health and Social Care, Adult and Children
- L3** Access to HE Diploma Health and Social Care
- L3** Access to HE Diploma Nursing and Midwifery



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IT, Computing and Digital



Prepare for a career in the fast-growing digital world

Digital is the backbone of the modern world. Whether you are interested in becoming an IT project leader, developing and maintaining websites, or providing customer support, our courses will give you the essential skills to pursue a career in your chosen field.

What you will experience:

- » Use of contemporary ICT systems within modern computer labs
- » Collaborating on group projects that reflect real digital business scenarios
- » Gaining insights from professionals from the industry



Our courses include:

- E3 L1 Essential Digital Skills**
- E3 L1 IT Application Specialist**
- L1 L2 L3 Cybersecurity**
- L2 City & Guilds Certificate for IT Users**
- L3 Diploma for IT Users**
- L3 Access to HE Diploma Computer Science and Maths**



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Science



Take your enthusiasm for experiments and research to the next level

On our science courses you will learn the fundamentals of your chosen specialism and put theory into practice in our high-tech labs, preparing you for a fascinating future in a range of industries.

What you will experience:

- » Learning how to apply scientific principles and analyse forensic evidence
- » Developing key laboratory techniques in our high-tech laboratories
- » Improving presentation skills through team tasks



Our courses include:

- L2 GCSE Biology**
- L2 GCSE Chemistry**
- L3 Access to HE Diploma Science**



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Supported Learning



Helping every learner to achieve their potential

We offer Supported Learning courses to support people with Educational Health Care Plans and Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. On our Supported Learning courses students gain more independence, improve knowledge and get the guidance and encouragement they need to successfully move into work.



What you will experience:

- » Help in deciding which course is best for you when you visit the College at an information event
- » Built-in support to ensure you get the most out of your time at the College and progress
- » Being part of a small, friendly group of students
- » Learning at your own pace to prepare you for the world of work and independence



Our courses include:

Community and Enterprise Engagement Programme

Contact us

Our team of Advisors are available to help you find out more about all of our courses and provide information, advice and guidance on how you can take the next step towards your future career.

If you would like to get in touch with Southwark College, you can use our live chat on our website, call or email us using the details below.

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Southwark College aims to provide the most up-to-date information in its prospectuses and on its website. However, it may be necessary to move or withdraw courses due to unforeseen circumstances. Where a course is cancelled or amended in any way to that advertised, the College will try to transfer students to an alternative course, should one exist that is appropriate and available but the College cannot guarantee the provision of all courses advertised in this guide or on the website. You are, therefore, advised when making an application to or enrolment with Southwark College to satisfy yourself as to any amendments or alterations that may affect your particular course and the course fees in place when you enrol, which will supersede any previously advertised. All courses are subject to validation, availability, eligibility and additional support requirements. You will not be guaranteed a place on a course until you have fully enrolled and received your Learning Agreement. Please visit southwark.ac.uk for further information.



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