

Brackenhurst – Nottingham Trent University

Frequently Asked Questions for College Level Courses

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1. What are the entry requirements?

This course is designed for students aged 19 or over and intending to study a Higher Education course at University. Therefore, to study this course starting September 2020, you will need to be aged 19 or over, and have GCSE Maths and GCSE English at grade 4 (C) or above. As this course is great for students looking for a career change, other qualifications are also considered. Similarly, this course is helpful for prospective students who didn't opt for Science at A-level and need this as an entry requirement for their chosen degree. These entry requirements could change for September 2021 entry. If you are interested in this course but are under 19, our Level 2 Diplomas and Level 3 Extended Diplomas may be more appropriate.

2. When and how do I apply?

You can apply anytime for either September 2020 or September 2021 entry. To apply, fill in an application form (https://www.ntu.ac.uk/data/assets/pdf_file/0025/914614/FE-application-form-2020-EDIT.pdf) and return via email to the address at the beginning of the form.

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6. What will I study?

Examples of modules include "Animal Management & Behaviour", "Land-Based Industry Skills" and "Higher Education Study Skills". These are taught through a mixture of, classroom based, theory and practical work (overall 30% practical and 70% theory). You will also study a large proportion of science through applied animal science.

7. What will my timetable look like, how long is the course and who is it accredited by?

This is a 1-year full time course accredited by CAVA. More information on this awarding body can be found at: <http://www.cava.ac.uk/>. You must be able to commit to 15 hours per week of teaching and the same amount for independent study. Teaching will take place on the same 3 days per week from 9:30am – 3pm.

8. What kind of job can I get after?

This course equips you with credits towards a Diploma and prepares you for University Level study. Future jobs in the Animal industry include animal biologist, zoo keeper, animal welfare officer and veterinary nurse (with additional study).

9. How is the course assessed?

The course is assessed through written reports and essays, presentations, posters and exams.

10. Can I go on to study at University after completing these courses?

This course prepares you for studying a land-based degree at NTU's Brackenhurst campus. If you pass this course, you can study courses in disciplines such as Animal Science, Equine Science, Environmental Science and conservation & Ecology. UCAS points change year to year, you must contact the University beforehand to check the course you would like to study accepts this course as an entry requirement.

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13. Can I work alongside studying this course?

This is a full-time course with, overall, at least 30 hours of studying (taught and independent) needed per week. Most students work part-time alongside their studies but, as a full-time course, you need to be able to commit the time to both timetabled lectures and coursework. The course is structured to allow for childcare commitments.

14. Can I live at Brackenhurst?

Yes, you can. We have dedicated accommodation at Brackenhurst in our onsite halls of residence. For more information please contact brackenhurstaccommodation@ntu.ac.uk.

15. How much will the course cost me?

The fee for this course is £5,197, however, if you have not completed a full Level 3 qualification before, tuition is free. Students can also apply for an Advanced Learner Loan. This loan is not means tested, and is written off on completion of an undergraduate degree. More information can be found at <https://www.ntu.ac.uk/study-and-courses/college-courses/fees-and-funding> or by emailing fe.enquiries@ntu.ac.uk.

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1. What are the entry requirements?

To study this course starting September 2020, you will need 4 GCSEs at grade 3 (D) including Maths and English. Students with grade 3 (D) in Maths and /or English will have to complete Maths and English Language retakes as a mandatory part of their study programme, alongside the Level 2 Agriculture Diploma. You will be supported in this with extra classes. These entry requirements could change for September 2021 entry.

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6. What will I study?

Examples of modules include "Farming & Agricultural Estate Management", "Crop Production" and "Livestock Husbandry". These are taught through a mixture of classroom based, theory and practical work (overall 40% practical and 60% theory) as well as through trips, for example to industry shows such as Nottinghamshire County Show, and through 180 hours of work experience placements.

7. What will my timetable look like, how long is the course and who is it accredited by?

This is a 1 year full time course accredited by BTEC. You will be studying 4 full days a week. There are also additional opportunities including working during lambing season and competing for NTU at local events in ploughing matches and lawnmower races.

8. Where will I do work experience?

Brackenhurst has long-standing links with farms and you can work with local farmers or places such as Openfield or the National Farmers Union. We will support you in finding these placements, through our dedicated careers team.

9. What kind of job can I get after?

This course can be your first steps into careers within the agricultural industry including tractor driver, dairy herd manager, farm manager, machinery salesperson and agronomist.

10. How is the course assessed?

The course is assessed through a portfolio of evidence, written external assignments, presentations, practical assessments and external exams.

11. What can I go on to study after this course?

After this course, you can go on to study a Level 3 Extended Diploma at Brackenhurst in Agriculture. You will need to achieve a Distinction in the Level 2 to continue on this course. After this, you can go on to study Foundation or Undergraduate degrees at NTU or another University, for example, in Agriculture.

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14. Can I work alongside studying this course?

Part-time or weekend work would be appropriate especially if within the agriculture industry as work experience is a mandatory part of the course, and therefore, a job in the industry would be helpful. During the summer, it is advised to work and/or gain experience within the industry.

15. Can I live at Brackenhurst?

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16. How much will the course cost me?

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7. What will my timetable look like, how long is the course and who is it accredited by?

This is a 2 years full time course accredited by BTEC. Equivalent to studying 3 A-levels. You will be studying 4 full days a week. There are also opportunities to complete extra qualifications, for example in telescopic handling, to work during lambing season and to compete for NTU at local events in ploughing matches and lawnmower races.

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11. Can I go on to study at University after completing these courses?

The short answer is yes. Although there are stipulations as to where and what course you can study. You can continue to study a related discipline at NTU Brackenhurst. For example, you can study our Bachelors Degree (BSc Hons) in Agriculture depending on the grade you achieve. Other Universities also accept this qualification, however, as UCAS points change year to year, you must contact the University beforehand to check the course you would like to study accepts this course as an entry requirement.

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6. What will I study?

Examples of modules include "Animal Behaviour and Handling", "The Principles of Animal Biology" and "Working in the Animal Care Industry". These are taught through a mixture of, classroom based, theory and practical work as well as through trips, for example to Crufts, and through 75 hours of work experience placements. You will also undertake 'duties' in the animal unit on a rota system and may have additional English or Maths classes.

7. What will my timetable look like and how long is the course?

This is a 1-year full time course, equivalent to studying GCSEs. You will be studying 3 full days a week with duties twice a week before and after sessions.

8. Where will I do work experience?

Brackenhurst has long-standing links with organisations in the animal sector including local veterinary centres, kennels, catteries & zoos. We will support you in finding these placements, through our dedicated careers team.

9. What kind of job can I get after?

Future jobs within the animal industry include animal carer, kennel technician and dog groomer. You can also go on to study a number of Brackenhurst's Level 3 courses providing you pass with a distinction, widening your experience.

10. How is the course assessed?

The course is assessed through a portfolio of evidence and a synoptic exam, whereby you are assessed undertaking a project over a 2-week period. Also, you will be assessed through written external assignments, practical assessments and external exams.

11. What can I go on to study after this course?

After this course, you can go on to study a Level 3 Extended Diploma at Brackenhurst in either Animal Management, Agriculture or Land and Wildlife Management. You will need to achieve a Distinction in the Level 2 to continue on these courses. After this, you can go on to study Foundation or Undergraduate degrees at NTU or another University, for example, in Veterinary Nursing.

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9. What kind of job can I get after?

Future jobs within the animal industry include animal carer, veterinary nurse and industry salesperson. Unfortunately, you cannot go on to study veterinary surgeon courses with this qualification, however you can aim to be a veterinary nurse.

10. How is the course assessed?

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To study this course starting September 2020, you will need 4 GCSEs at grade 4 (C) or above including, Maths, English and Science. Please note, if either English or Maths is grade 3 (D) you will have to retake the lower grade to achieve a grade 4 alongside studying the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Equine Management. You will be supported in this with extra classes. To study the riding modules, you will also have to demonstrate you can ride at 3 paces and a maximum rider weight of 14 stone is in place for our horses' welfare. To study non-riding modules, you will have to demonstrate you can tack up in a practical task. These entry requirements could change for September 2021 entry.

2. When and how do I apply?

You can apply anytime for either September 2020 or September 2021 entry. To apply, fill in an application form (https://www.ntu.ac.uk/data/assets/pdf_file/0025/914614/FE-application-form-2020-EDIT.pdf) and return via email to the address at the beginning of the form.

3. Can I apply for more than one course at Brackenhurst?

Yes, you can apply for more than one College Course at Brackenhurst. You can fill in one application form and list the courses you are interested in at the top, together.

4. Where will I study?

You will study at Nottingham Trent University's Brackenhurst Campus (Brackenhurst Lane, Southwell, Nottinghamshire, NG25 0QF). There are dedicated buses from Newark and Mansfield and a public bus from Nottingham City Centre.

5. What facilities and resources will be available to me?

NTU's Brackenhurst Campus has a dedicated team of lecturers as well as a fully stocked Library used by both Further and Higher Education students. There are dedicated careers and wellbeing teams. Also, Brackenhurst has, on site, stabling 65 horses, an Equestrian Centre with indoor and outdoor arenas and a mechanical horse amongst other facilities. More information is found at <https://www.ntu.ac.uk/study-and-courses/courses/our-facilities/equestrian-centre> or come and visit on one of our Open Days!

6. What will I study?

Examples of modules include "Horse Behaviour and Welfare" and "Introduction to Equestrian Coaching". There are optional modules to study either riding or non-riding modules. Modules are taught through a mixture of, classroom based, theory and practical work (overall 40% practical and 60% theory) as well as through trips and work experience placements. You will also undertake duties at the Equine Unit on a rota system. There are also opportunities to undertake additional qualifications and experiences including NTU Rider and Groom Academies and BHS qualifications.

7. How long is the course?

This is a 2 years full time course, equivalent to studying 3 A-levels. You will be studying 4 full days a week with duties twice a week before and after sessions as well as one day every 3 weekends.

8. Where will I do work experience?

Brackenhurst has long-standing links with organisations in the equine industry and past students have worked with the BHS and a British Dressage Judge. We will support you in finding these placements, through our dedicated careers team.

9. What kind of job can I get after?

Future jobs within the equine industry include riding coach, yard manager, groom and equine retail worker.

10. How is the course assessed?

The course is assessed through a portfolio of evidence and a synoptic exam, whereby you are assessed undertaking a project over a 2-week period. Also, you will be assessed through written external assignments, practical assessments and external exams.

11. Can I go on to study at University after completing these courses?

The short answer is yes. Although there are stipulations as to where and what course you can study. You can continue to study a related discipline at NTU Brackenhurst. For example, you can study a Bachelors Degrees (BSc Hons) in Equine Sports Science. These are dependant on grades. Other Universities also accept this qualification, however, as UCAS points change year to year, you must contact the University beforehand to check the course you would like to study accepts this course as an entry requirement.

12. What is the interview process like?

After completing and sending us your application form, you will receive an offer for an interview. This will consist of a face to face interview as well as a practical assessment. If undertaking riding modules, you must demonstrate you can remain in balance in walk, trot and canter. If you wish to study non-riding modules, you must complete a practical task which involves tacking up.

13. Who can I talk to about if I want more information about Brackenhurst or their FE courses?

More information on our College Courses can be found on our website (<https://www.ntu.ac.uk/study-and-courses/college-courses>) and in our college course prospectus. You can also contact our Schools Liaison Officer, Sam Wells (samuel.wells@ntu.ac.uk) to arrange a phone call/video chat if you have any questions about the course.

14. Can I work alongside studying this course?

As this is a full-time course, we recommend not working whilst undertaking this course, especially as morning, evening and weekend work is needed to undertake duties at the Equine Unit. During the summer, it is advised to work and/or gain experience within the equine industry.

15. Can I live at Brackenhurst?

Yes, you can. We have dedicated accommodation at Brackenhurst for FE students – students aged under 18 live together and the security team is available 24/7. For more information please contact brackenhurstaccommodation@ntu.ac.uk. Accommodation is available for over 18's in at our onsite halls of residence.

16. Can I stable my own horse at Brackenhurst?

You can stable your horse at Brackenhurst on a DIY basis, however, students in the past have found it difficult to keep up with the demands for the course, the duties and the upkeep of their own horse. Therefore, it is not recommended.

17. How much will the course cost me?

If you are 18 or under as of the 31st August on the year your course starts. Tuition is free. If you are 19+ and this is your first Level 3 qualification, you may be eligible for free tuition. If you are 19+ and you already have a level 3 qualification, you will have to pay tuition and registration fees. For tuition fees, you can apply for an Advanced Learner Loan. More information can be found at <https://www.ntu.ac.uk/study-and-courses/college-courses/fees-and-funding> or by emailing fe_enquiries@ntu.ac.uk.

18. How do I secure my place?

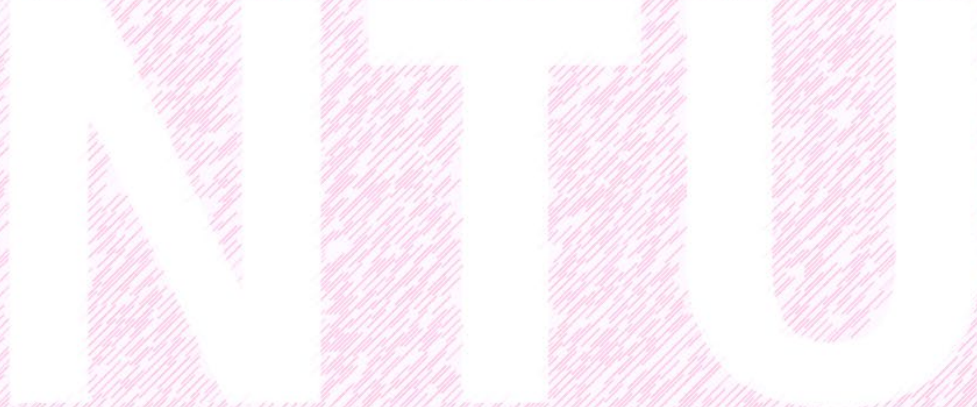
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19. When will I start?

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More information can be found in our College Course Guide at...

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1. What are the entry requirements?

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6. What will I study?

Examples of modules include "Woodland Management", "Wildlife Ecosystems and Conservation Management" and "Plant and Soil Science". These are taught through a mixture of, classroom based, theory and practical work (overall 40% practical and 60% theory) as well as through trips and volunteering projects, for example, for The Wildlife Trusts and through 300 hours of work experience placements.

7. What will my timetable look like, how long is the course and who is it accredited by?

This is a 2 years full time course accredited by BTEC. Equivalent to studying 3 A-levels. You will be studying 4 full days a week.

8. Where will I do work experience?

Brackenhurst has long-standing links with local conservation charities and environmental consultants. We will support you in finding these placements, through our dedicated careers team.

9. What kind of job can I get after?

This course can be your first steps into careers in conservation. Jobs in this area include countryside ranger, ecology assistant, conservation officer and researcher.

10. How is the course assessed?

The course is assessed through a portfolio of evidence as well as through written external assignments, presentations, practical assessments and external exams.

11. Can I go on to study at University after completing these courses?

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