



**HIGH PAVEMENT
SIXTH FORM**

Part of Nottingham College

A Level Course Guide 2019

**YOUR
FUTURE**

**OVER 200 YEARS
IN THE MAKING**



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WELCOME

to High Pavement Sixth Form

High Pavement Sixth Form is right on the doorstep of Nottingham Trent University's City campus, so it really is the next stop on your way to university.

Our staff have extensive years of sixth form teaching between them. This means they know exactly what it takes for you to succeed at A Level and beyond. Part of that experience is helping you develop the independent study skills you need to succeed at university, while providing the support you need to succeed at A Level.

You'll notice the difference to school. You'll have more independence and be treated like an adult, but you will also have a dedicated Progress Tutor to guide you through your studies and an Achievement Coach to ensure you have the personal support you need.

High Pavement is a dedicated Sixth Form with a vibrant atmosphere and friendly and supportive staff.

We can also offer you confidential additional learning support if you need it.

Outside of your studies there are plenty of extracurricular activities to get involved in. These include: inter-college sport, men's and women's football, cricket, and men's rugby, as well as clubs and societies and trips.

If you think you might be better suited to studying a more practical course, Nottingham College offers a range of career-related (vocational) courses, as well as apprenticeships. So why not take a look at our website?

We've got a modern, purpose-built campus and fantastic facilities. But did you know that our roots can be traced back to the original High Pavement School in 1788? We think it's the perfect combination of academic history and forward thinking.

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Reasons to choose High Pavement Sixth Form

A unique experience

Twice-yearly University and Careers Fair, with representatives from many major universities, local and national employers, and opportunities to take part in employment workshops and fun activities.



Purpose-built facilities, including state-of-the-art laboratories and a well-equipped Library.

The vast majority of students go on to university. These include highly competitive institutions such as Russell Group members. In 2017, over 90% went on to higher education, an apprenticeship or employment.



More than 20 different subjects to choose from.



A great location - at the heart of Nottingham's student hub, and you'll get opportunities to take part in enrichment activities and to socialise at any Nottingham College campus.



We have a great working relationship with our neighbours, Nottingham Trent University (NTU) - who give our students lots of crucial advice, hints and tips on applying to university.



Fantastic support and guidance to help you achieve your goals.

A different type of study - more independence, no uniform, and being on a first-name basis with your tutors



98%
Overall Pass Rate - plus 17 A Levels with 100% pass rate in 2018

A great student lifestyle

Taking part in extra activities alongside your studies will look great on your CV or UCAS application and will also contribute to a great College experience.

You can try out a sport or activity including: basketball, futsal, football, rugby, tennis, badminton, table tennis, ice skating and indoor cricket, which you can take part in with classmates and friends from across the College. The activities run during lunch and late afternoon and are free for students.

Frequent competitions are organised including:

- **Intra College** – internal College tournaments and leagues in football, table tennis and mini tennis. Other sports competitions can be set up on request.
- **Inter College** – playing against local colleges across Nottinghamshire, including: football, basketball, table tennis, badminton and the FE Games.

When you enrol, you will automatically become a member of our Students' Union. For £12 you can get a Totum card powered by NUS Extra, giving you hundreds of online savings, cheap cinema tickets and shop discounts.



You can also get involved in the running of the College as a Student Representative, Student Ambassador or even a Student Governor.



There are also clubs and societies, trips, volunteering opportunities and awareness events. Examples include:

- 5 a side football
- badminton/short tennis
- boxercise
- British Sign Language (BSL)
- circuit/HIIT classes
- computer games club
- cooking skills
- driving theory
- futsal
- ice-skating
- legs, bums and tums
- refugee football
- table tennis
- tai chi
- walking groups
- women's only multi-sports
- yoga

A dark blue graphic for 'OPEN DAYS'. The words 'OPEN' and 'DAYS' are written in large, bold, white capital letters. Surrounding the text are several colorful hand icons in yellow, purple, and blue, some pointing towards the text and others away. Below the main text, there is a yellow subtitle: 'THE PERFECT WAY TO GET TO KNOW US AND FIND OUT WHAT HIGH PAVEMENT CAN OFFER YOU'. At the bottom, the dates and times for the events are listed in white text.

OPEN DAYS

THE PERFECT WAY TO GET TO KNOW US AND FIND OUT WHAT HIGH PAVEMENT CAN OFFER YOU

Saturday 13 October 2018 • 11 - 2pm

Tuesday 20 November 2018 • 5 - 7pm

Tuesday 22 January 2019 • 5 - 7pm

Saturday 8 June 2019 • 11 - 2pm

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Supporting you to succeed

We appreciate that studying for A Levels can be stressful at times. We're passionate about helping you to succeed, as well as making your time here rewarding and enjoyable. The College has a dedicated Student Support team to support you through those times. Our Student Services staff have even won awards for the support they provide.

Who do you talk to?

Your Personal Tutor: if you need help with your course let them know right away.

Achievement Coach: if you are worried about things outside your course and you need to speak to someone, they'll be able to help you. If they can't resolve the issue they will put you in touch with someone who can.

Careers Adviser: they can help you get advice and information about your next steps, plus work and training options. They can also access a range of support to develop the skills you need to progress to university, and ultimately into employment.

Specialist UCAS Advisers: they are at High Pavement to help with choosing your options, completing your UCAS application, and preparing for interviews. This can be particularly useful in preparing for Oxbridge, or those more difficult to access application processes, such as for medicine and veterinary science.

Student Services: if you need to talk to someone confidentially to discuss money or get some health advice, they are here for you.



"All the staff at High Pavement are so supportive. I can't say how much they have helped me!"

Harmony got a place at the University of Nottingham to study Veterinary Medicine.

Harmony Biology, Psychology, Chemistry

How can we help?

Before you enrol we can:

- make any special access arrangements you need for your application and enrolment
- arrange for you to meet your tutor before you start
- assess your support needs and set up everything you need before you start at High Pavement Sixth Form

Once you've enrolled you can access:

- learning support workshops
- one-to-one and in-class support
- support with reading, writing and maths
- specialist learning materials
- personal assistance
- exam and study support



Deaf students

Our Deaf Access Communicators all use British Sign Language (BSL), and will work with you to make sure you are able to be fully involved both in lectures and in your wider student experience, while supporting you to be independent. Deaf awareness training is also given to tutors, staff and students across the College. Contact our Deaf Access team:

Call: 0115 838 0952

Text: 07817 310 183

Visually impaired students

If you are visually impaired, we can work with you to make sure you are able to be fully involved both in lectures and in your wider student experience, while supporting you to be independent. Contact our Visual Impairment team:

Call: 0115 838 0951

Removing barriers

We want to make sure that we enable you to achieve. If you have a physical disability, medical condition or mental health issue (like experiencing bereavement, abuse, bullying or anxiety) we can help you to make sure that it doesn't get in the way of your learning. You can access support at any time and you won't need to tell your family, friends or tutor.

Call/text: 07979 607 393

Equality, diversity and inclusion

Nottingham College is positively committed to creating an environment which is free from discrimination and where there is mutual respect and equality for all.



Widening participation

– how can we help?

Not everyone has the same start in life, but we believe everyone deserves the best chance to reach their potential. At Nottingham College we have a long tradition of giving extra support to people who need it. We have extra programmes to help when students are from communities which have been less successful in accessing university education over the years.

At the application stage we will identify students who can take advantage of our:

HE Plus – which is a scheme run by the University of Cambridge, to support applicants from schools and areas that have not traditionally sent a high number of students to Oxbridge.

Access Champions Programme – which supports university applicants from postcodes where fewer 18-year-olds progress to higher education.

Your Library – a wealth of information

With access to over 70,000 resources, our Library is the place for all your information needs.

The Library will support your study and personal development needs, by providing a wide range of resources to help you throughout your course.

High Pavement Library has a range of desktop PCs, laptops, tablets and Surface Books, all equipped with the Microsoft Office Suite and internet access, for use on a drop-in basis. You can also pre-book a PC up to three weeks in advance. You can even borrow items such as digital and video cameras, charging cables and headphones!

Free WiFi and WiFi printing is also available, along with scanning facilities and both colour and black and white printers and photocopiers.

There are a range of quiet/silent study spaces for independent study as well as group working areas.

Our qualified and experienced Library staff are on hand to help you with your day-to-day studies including finding information; researching a topic; using the PCs; creating documents and presentations; and compiling bibliographies/reference lists. You can also access support in these areas from the Library pages of the student intranet.

We also have an extensive collection of online resources available for access 24/7. Our Library staff can show you how to use these in either one-to-one or group sessions. Thanks to the College's MILO (My Independent Learning Online) project, you can access these resources on your mobile or tablet as well as from a desktop.



Information for Parents

Your child will be with us for up to two years. During that time we support them with one-to-one tuition, a dedicated team of Careers Coaches and expert teachers who will develop their academic or technical understanding of their chosen areas of study.

College is a place where young people develop the independence they need to succeed at university. With that comes an expectation of independent learning. This means private study and homework as well as taught classes. Please do all you can to support them during their study, and if you have any concerns, don't hesitate to get in touch.

Attendance

Attendance is vital too. We expect 100% attendance in all scheduled classes and tutorials unless there is a very good reason. If, for whatever reason, students can't come to College, we need them to tell us in advance by calling our absence line on 0115 838 0555.

Learning Support

The College has an excellent Additional Learning Support (ALS) team. They support students who, for whatever reason, are finding things difficult. For example, they may have a learning difficulty or disability, or may be going through an emotional time.

Support for Parents

At the start of the year parents are given:

1. the Parent Handbook which outlines what you can expect from us and what to do if you have any concerns, as well as information about parents' reports, parents' evenings, awards ceremonies and dates of exams results.
2. access to our Parent Portal, which gives you access to your son or daughter's timetable and allows you live access to monitor their attendance and progress.

You will also be invited to two Parents' Evenings over the course of the year. The first is just before Christmas, with a second in the spring, and you will have opportunities to discuss progress and future progression with your child's tutors.



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Entry requirements

How many subjects?

You will study three A Levels at High Pavement, but in exceptional circumstances students may be able to study four.

Entry Requirements

You will need at least five GCSEs at grades 9–4 (A* – C), including English Language and Maths. **Some courses have additional entry requirements**, such as a grade 6(B) in certain subjects. Please see the table opposite for full details.

GCSE grades have been changing over to a new system since 2017. For people taking their GCSEs in summer 2019, GCSE results will be graded from 9 to 1 (with 9 being the highest grade) instead of from A* to G.

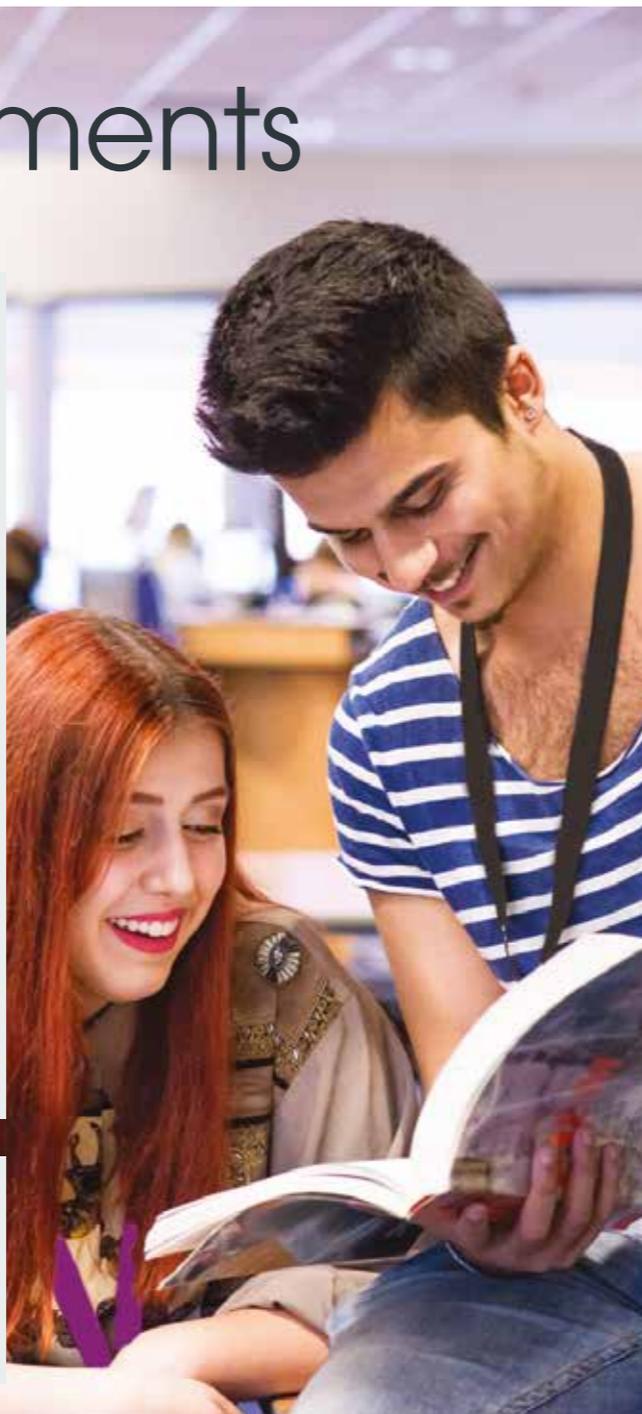
For full details about the changes and how the different grades compare, see page 17.

If you already have GCSEs from the older grading system, don't worry, we still accept them of course.

Students will have the opportunity to apply to study Core or Further Maths or complete the Extended Project alongside their three A Levels, to support their application to competitive universities with high entry requirements.

Don't meet the specific entry requirements?

If you don't have the GCSE grades you need to meet our A Level entry requirements don't worry. You could improve your GCSE grades with Nottingham College in just one year. See nottinghamcollege.ac.uk for more details or to order a Full-Time Course Guide.



Subjects with additional entry requirements

| | |
|-------------------------|---|
| Art & Design | Grade 4 or above in GCSE Art & Design or Textiles. If you have not achieved either of these you will need to show us a portfolio of your relevant work. |
| Biology | Grade 5 or above in GCSE Maths plus grade 6 or above in either GCSE Biology, Additional Science, or Science Trilogy. If you achieve grade 5 in higher Maths you will also be enrolled onto a Core Maths qualification. |
| Chemistry | Grade 5 or above in GCSE Maths plus grade 6 or above in GCSE Chemistry, Additional Science, or Science Trilogy. If you achieve grade 5 in Maths you will also be enrolled onto a Core Maths qualification. |
| Computer Science | Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths, plus an initial assessment |
| Economics | Grade 5 or above in GCSE English Language and Maths, plus grade 6 or above in four other GCSEs |
| French | Grade 6 or above in GCSE French, plus an initial assessment |
| Further Maths | Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths. This subject must be studied alongside A Level Maths and two other A Level subjects. |
| Geography | Grade 5 or above in GCSE Geography. We will accept a grade 6 in GCSE Physics or Biology in place of GCSE Geography if studied as separate science qualifications. |
| Maths | Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths. If you gained grade 5 on the higher paper, you may be able to choose A Level Maths following an initial assessment. Successful applicants with grade 5 or 6 will complete a two-day bridging course in September. |
| Photography | Grade 4 or above in GCSE Art & Design, Photography, or Textiles. If you have not studied any of these you will need to show us a portfolio of your relevant work. |
| Physics | Grade 6 or above in GCSE Maths and in either GCSE Physics or Science Trilogy. This subject must be studied alongside A Level Maths. |
| Politics | Grade 5 or above in GCSE English Language. You must also have completed an additional essay-writing GCSE subject such as Geography or History. |
| Psychology | Grade 4 or above in GCSE Science (not GCSE Psychology) |
| Textiles | Grade 4 or above in GCSE Art & Design or Textiles. If you have not studied either of these you will need to show us a portfolio of your relevant work. |

Don't worry if you do not meet the entry requirements when you receive your results in 2019 – we will work with you to look at alternative pathways, for example different A Level subjects, a career-related vocational course, or perhaps retaking some of your GCSEs.



New GCSE grades

GCSE grades have been changing over to a new system since 2017. For people taking their GCSEs in summer 2019, all GCSE results will be graded from 9 to 1 (with 9 being the highest grade) instead of from A* to G.

To help you when applying to study at Nottingham College, it's useful to know that we accept grades 9 to 4 as being equivalent to grades A* to C when asking for specific entry requirements. So, for example, if we ask for grade 4 or above this is equivalent to grade C or above. Some courses may ask for a grade 5 in the new system, which is equivalent to a 'top C', or higher grades in some cases, but where this is the case it is clearly stated on our website.

If you already have GCSEs from the older grading system, don't worry, we still accept them of course.

If you have any questions, we'll be happy to help. Just ask at one of our Open Days, contact us online or give us a call.

The below table explains how the newer grades relate to the old grading structure in case you're unsure.

| New grading structure | Old grading structure |
|-----------------------|------------------------------|
| 9 | A* |
| 8 | A |
| 7 | |
| 6 | B |
| 5 | 5 & above = top of C & above |
| 4 | 4 & above = C & above |
| 3 | D |
| 2 | E |
| 1 | F |
| | G |
| U | U |

Getting your place

Once you have decided to choose Nottingham College, the next step is of course securing your place.

Applying to study here is really easy! We've outlined the process here so you know what to expect.



Look through the Course Guide and find the subject/s you'd like to apply for.

Still not sure?

Call one of our Course Advisers for some advice on 0115 9 100 100. If you're still not sure, they can book you in for a free advice session with one of our Careers Advisers.

I've made my choice!

Go to nottm.co/apply and apply online – it's an easy step by step process. Alternatively, you can complete the application form at the back of this Guide.

We'll make you a conditional offer and you will be invited to:

attend a taster day
(these take place twice a year, in December and in the summer.)

Next stages of your journey:

- 1 We'll send you an email offering you a place, which you accept through your online account.
- 2 We'll invite you to a taster session.
- 3 We'll write to you to let you know about your Enrolment Day.
- 4 Come to your Enrolment Day where you'll be given your ID.

CONGRATULATIONS

You start your course with us and you become part of High Pavement Sixth Form at Nottingham College!



Apply online

It's quick and easy to apply for your course online – just head to nottm.co/apply, choose the course you're interested in, and fill in the application form.

You can apply for more than one course, so if you're not sure what you want to study, don't worry.



Stay Connected

Follow Nottingham College on social media for all the latest news, events and competitions, and to connect with your course and other students.

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Sociology

CREATIVE ARTS

ART & DESIGN

25 Stoney Street

Course content: this practical course is a great way to learn new techniques and develop ideas. You'll be encouraged to experiment and develop your own unique style. You'll study drawing, painting, ceramics, sculpture, screen printing, lino and mono printing, photography, creative textiles, graphics, computer graphics, and art history. You'll visit art galleries and museums, and undertake projects and workshops with industry partners, artists and the local community.

Assessment: a combination of examinations and coursework, including a personal investigation with 3,000 word study and a controlled assignment (15-hour exam).

Next steps: you could progress to further studies on a foundation diploma in art and design, or a higher education course in fine art, graphic design, textile design or 3D design. There are lots of careers open to you, such as fashion designer, graphic designer, illustrator, interior designer or textile designer.

TEXTILES

25 Stoney Street

Course content: this practical course explores the use of traditional materials, techniques and processes to communicate and demonstrate your individual ideas. It can be used to explore fashion, interior or fine art textiles. You will get the opportunity to use a variety of materials and techniques including print, knit, weave, structure and natural fibres. An important aspect of the course is to consider the work of artists and designers to help inform your own personal creativity.

Assessment: a combination of examinations and coursework, including a personal investigation with a 3,000 word study and a controlled assignment (15-hour exam).

Next steps: you could choose to move on to a related higher education course such as fashion design, pattern cutting or fashion business. You could be working towards a career as a fashion designer or garment technologist.

FILM STUDIES

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Course content: film is a major art form of the 21st century, and this course provides deeper understanding and enjoyment of a variety of films through practical work, analysis and the study of critical approaches to film.

In year 1 you'll focus on learning how the language and techniques of film making such as editing, camera or cinematography, lighting, sound, performance/costume and setting are used to create meaning. This is done through studying conventional Hollywood and British film genres and their production alongside a practical portfolio that allows you to create pieces such as a storyboard, script or even a short film.

The second year is more far-reaching in its scope as you'll begin to use the skills and knowledge gained in the first year to analyse examples of film from World Cinema, Experimental Film and recent contemporary classics such as Fight Club.

Assessment: assessments, examinations and a portfolio of work.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as media studies, film production, history, teaching, humanities, social sciences or film production. There are lots of careers open to you such as TV production assistant, video editor, film producer, runner, music video director or production manager.

CREATIVE ARTS

MEDIA STUDIES

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: this course aims to develop a critical response to the media by exploring a wide variety of media, drawing on fundamental media concepts and theoretical framework. You will gain an understanding of how media products are constructed; why the producers of a text are important in media industries; how audiences are grouped and targeted, how the digital revolution allows us to become producers ourselves and how the representation of people, places and events is evident in media.

Topics include: Component 1 - Media Products, Industries and Audiences: In this section you will study a number of set texts from a range of platforms including advertising and marketing, newspapers, video games, music video, radio and film marketing.

Component 2 - Media Forms and Products in Depth: In this section you will study three areas of media in detail. Television in the Global Age; Magazines: Mainstream and Alternative Media; and Media in the Online Age.

Component 3 - Cross Media Production. This is your opportunity to get creative! In this section you will research, plan and create your own products to meet a brief set by the exam board. Previous students have created music videos, short films, sequences from TV shows, pages from magazines, print marketing for films, TV or music industry, website and more.

Assessment: two exams worth 70% and a creative coursework portfolio worth 30%.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course: media, teaching, humanities, social sciences or film studies. Potential careers include: journalist, broadcaster, digital marketing executive, special effects designer, web designer and many more. This industry is one of the fastest growing areas of employment, so many job roles might not even exist yet!

PHOTOGRAPHY

Adams

Course content: experimental and practical in approach, this course is designed to build on your existing skills.

Topics include: history of photography (equipment, materials, photographers and photographic movements), general photographic theory, darkroom skills for black and white photography, digital photography, using Photoshop, and photographic contextual studies.

Assessment: a combination of coursework, personal investigation and controlled test, for example a major coursework assignment, supported by developmental work and a sketchbook personal investigation, and a controlled assignment.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as photography, media or art and design. There are lots of career opportunities open to you such as a professional photographer in fashion, nature, portrait, events, fine art, commercial and many other genres.

ENGLISH & LANGUAGES

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: this course is perfect if you enjoy analysing spoken and written language and you are a keen reader and writer. Your technical vocabulary and communication skills will increase significantly. It combines well with a wide range of other A Level subjects.

Topics include: language, the individual and society (written paper), and non-exam assessment (NEA) which involves a language investigation of your choice, allowing you the freedom to explore your own areas of interest.

Assessment: a combination of examinations and non-exam assessment. (The exam component will be worth 80% of the final grade).

Next steps: this course is a pathway to a huge range of higher education courses and careers, for example teaching, journalism, playwriting, marketing PR and media. The skills you learn will be invaluable for essay writing, dissertations, report writing and presentations in later life.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: if you enjoy English, but feel that you can't choose between language (looking at a wide range of techniques and language in society) and literature (reading and commenting on written texts), this is the course for you. You'll focus on spoken language and language production as well as studying a wide range of literary texts - a chance to do both aspects of English in one A Level.

Topics include: integrated analysis and text production, analysing novels, poetry and an anthology, comparative analysis and text adaptation through independent study.

Assessment: examinations and non-exam assessment (NEA).

Next steps: this course, as with other English subjects, is a pathway to a huge range of higher education courses and careers, for example teaching, journalism, playwriting, marketing, PR and media. The skills you learn will be invaluable for essay writing, dissertations, report writing and presentations in later life.

ENGLISH & LANGUAGES

ENGLISH LITERATURE

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Course content: this course combines a detailed study of literature with the opportunity to read more widely and independently. Throughout the course you will be encouraged to attend theatre productions of the texts studied and to watch film versions of set and related texts.

Topics include: during the first year, we look at aspects of tragedy, examined in 2 papers: one on drama, the other on prose and poetry. In the second year the connecting genre is crime, with 3 texts studied and wider reading encouraged in preparation for writing on an unseen extract. The NEA component (20%) of 2 coursework essays gives the option of choosing texts for independent study and applying critical ideas.

Assessment: examinations and non-exam assessment (NEA).

Next steps: this course is a pathway to a huge range of higher education courses and careers, for example teaching, journalism, playwriting, marketing, PR and media. The skills you learn will be invaluable for essay writing, dissertations, report writing, analysis and presentations in later life.

FRENCH

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: this course will allow you to build on your existing language skills and explore the culture and society of France.

Topics include: development of language skills: listening, reading, speaking and writing development, topic study.

Assessment: a combination of written and spoken tests.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as languages, business, international affairs or teaching. There are lots of careers open to you such as translator, linguist, teacher or jobs in the international business world or travel industry.

Interested in Journalism, Graphic Design or Photography?

Then why not become a reporter for Screever – High Pavement’s very own student magazine. It’s written by students, for students. Become a published writer and build your very own portfolio!

Get some essential practical experience if you’re interested in going on to do print/broadcast journalism, creative writing, English or many other media-related degrees at university.

SPANISH

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Course content: you will take part in stimulating activities to develop your linguistic skills alongside your understanding of the culture and society of the countries where Spanish is spoken. We select a broad area of study to prescribe certain aspects for closer examination. The core content includes social issues and trends, political and artistic culture, grammar and options from literature and film.

Topics include: how Spanish-speaking society has been shaped socially and culturally and how it continues to change. In the first year, aspects of the social context are studied, together with aspects of the artistic life of Spanish-speaking countries. In the second year further aspects of the social background are covered, this time focusing on matters associated with multiculturalism. Students also study aspects of the political landscape including the future of political life in the Hispanic world by focusing on young people and their political engagement. Students will develop their knowledge and understanding of themes relating to the culture and society of countries where Spanish is spoken, and their language skills. They will do this by using authentic spoken and written sources in Spanish. The choice of works (literary texts and films) offers opportunities to link with the themes so that, for example, the play *La casa de Bernarda Alba* could be linked to the sub-theme modern and traditional values, while the film *Volver* could be connected to the sub-theme equal rights.

Assessment: Two written exams and one oral exam which together assess speaking, listening, reading and writing.

Next steps: you could follow a language degree course at university, or any degree course and continuing language studies as subsidiary. Alternatively, students find immediate employment in the target-language country or make a job application in the future with the skill of speaking two or more languages.

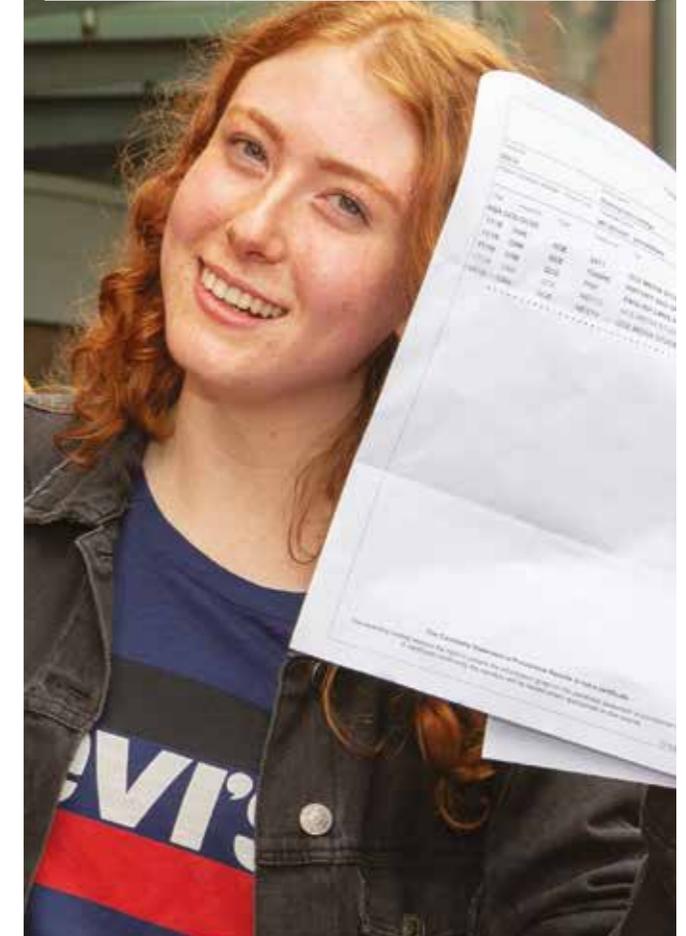
“The teachers at High Pavement Sixth Form have really supported me to get the grades I wanted.

“My amazing teachers will definitely stick with me, and I hope I can inspire other students the way they inspired me.”

Savannah progressed to the University of Nottingham to study English Language and Literature.

Savannah

English Language & Literature, Media Studies, History



MATHS, SCIENCE , COMPUTING & PE (STEM)

BIOLOGY

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: biology is the study of life in all of its forms. It combines problem solving with practical skills and enables you to develop a scientific approach to the subject. Biology complements arts, humanities and other science A Level subjects. The first year will focus on many of the fundamentals of biology: biological molecules, transport in and out of cells, cell structure and organisation, enzymes, DNA replication, protein synthesis, mutations and patterns of inheritance, evolution, adaptation and animal and plant physiology. The second year will build on these by delving into some important and fascinating subjects such as: photosynthesis and respiration, speciation, forensics, determining time of death, microbiology, diseases and immunology, muscle structure, the effects of exercise and drugs on the body and the nervous system.

Assessment: examinations and some practical assessment.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as biochemistry, biomedical science, dentistry, medicine, midwifery or nursing. There are lots of careers open to you such as dentist, optometrist, physiotherapist, vet, pharmacologist, midwife or nurse.

CHEMISTRY

High Pavement Sixth Form

It is expected that you will be studying at least one additional Science or Maths alongside your A Level Chemistry.

Course content: the Salters' Chemistry course has a structure that gives focus to the applications and implications of chemistry: industry, materials, medicine, environment, and food. All topics are dealt with in a way that links them to how they affect our life. A range of learning styles are employed, including teaching, multimedia resources, textbook, workbooks, online assessment, independent study, and practical laboratory work.

Topics include: general chemistry, inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry, physical chemistry, analytical chemistry and many more advanced topics in Year 2.

Assessment: three exams at the end of the second year plus practical assessment throughout.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as medicine, agriculture, materials technology, energy, pharmacy, physiotherapy or chemical biochemistry. There are lots of careers open to you such as, dentist, physiotherapist, doctor, forensic scientist and biochemist.

COMPUTER SCIENCE

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: computer science is a practical subject that enables you to apply the academic principles learned in the classroom to real world systems. It is a creative subject that helps you to develop the skills to solve problems, design systems and understand the power and limits of human and machine intelligence. There is an emphasis on learning computer programming and the mathematical skills used to express computational laws and processes.

Topics include: software development, algorithms, exchanging data, and programming.

Assessment: a combination of examinations and practical projects.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course in computer science. The qualification is also well thought of by employers for students wanting to go straight into employment.

CORE MATHS

High Pavement Sixth Form

At the end of the course you will achieve AQA Certificate Level 3 in Mathematical Studies, equivalent to one AS Level.

Course content: core maths is designed for students who are not studying A Level maths but want to continue learning some form of mathematics. Core maths will help you understand and apply clear, mathematical reasoning to real-life problems, analyse and interpret data in various contexts and confidently deal with everyday financial maths. These practical mathematical skills will also help you with your other A Level subjects, in particular with sciences, geography, business, psychology, and economics.

Topics include: modelling, statistics, finance, working with graphs and gradients, risk, estimation, problem solving and use of technology.

Assessment: two written examinations.

Next steps: universities and employers from many different sectors are in strong support of core maths qualifications. The course will help you retain, deepen and extend your mathematics to be better prepared for higher education and employment.

MATHS, SCIENCE , COMPUTING & PE (STEM)

FURTHER MATHS

High Pavement Sixth Form

Your tutor will discuss entry requirements during the first year of your A Level Maths programme. An early start in the first year is possible for some students.

Course content: further maths will extend your work in pure maths, statistics and mechanics and may include a numerical methods unit or decision maths unit. You will need your own scientific calculator. A graphical calculator is also strongly recommended - ask your tutor for advice before buying one.

Assessment: a combination of examinations.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as maths, business, accountancy, science, computing, engineering or economics. There are lots of careers open to you such as aeronautical engineer, actuary, software engineer, mathematician, biochemist, veterinarian or chemical engineer.

MATHS

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: many of our students take this subject alongside sciences, business studies, economics, psychology, sociology and geography. As part of the course you will study pure mathematics, building on the work you did at GCSE level and extending your range of mathematical skills and techniques to solve more difficult problems.

Topics include: pure maths mechanics and statistics. You will need your own calculator. Your tutor will advise you which calculator to buy.

Assessment: a combination of examinations.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as maths, business, accountancy, science, computing, engineering or economics. Maths is essential to everyday life and is relevant to a huge range of scientific, technological and engineering careers.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

High Pavement Sixth Form & Basford

Course content: this course examines the world of sport through theory into practice, during your studies you will examine a range of areas including physiological and psychological factors that affect performance, sport and society, skills acquisition, applied anatomy and technology and its role in sport. There will also be opportunities to get involved in sports academies in football and cricket.

Assessment: examinations and practical assessment.

Next steps: higher education courses, such as sport science, sport coaching & development, sport & exercise science, physical education, sport business management, sport coaching, physiotherapy, teaching, sport-related medicine, applied psychology and sociology, or youth work.

PHYSICS

High Pavement Sixth Form

It is expected that you will be studying maths alongside physics. You will need to take an initial maths assessment.

Course content: you will use maths skills and scientific reasoning to find answers to your questions about how the world works. This exciting and challenging course is highly regarded by universities and future employers.

Topics include: mechanics, materials, electricity, waves, quantum physics, further mechanics, fields, thermal physics, nuclear and particle physics, amongst others.

Assessment: theoretical exam and practical tasks.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as physics, engineering, medicine, health studies or sport science. There are lots of careers open to you such as oceanographer, medical physicist, astronomer, clinical scientist or meteorologist.

PSYCHOLOGY

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: this course is perfect if you want to find out more about the link between people's behaviour and their environment and enjoy carrying out investigations to look for patterns in behaviour.

Topics include: social influence, memory, attachment, approaches in psychology, psychopathology and research methods, issues and debates in psychology, plus three from the following topics: relationships, gender, cognition and development, schizophrenia, eating behaviour, stress, aggression, forensic psychology and addiction.

Assessment: three written exams.

Next steps: psychology provides an excellent gateway for a wide range of higher education courses or careers dealing with people to include caring and criminal related professions, education, sports, human resources or research.



"I'm very pleased to be going to uni and my family were really happy when I told them."

After joining Nottingham College to get a second chance at his A Levels after a year out, Khaled has now progressed to The University of Manchester to study Chemical Engineering.

Khaled Maths & Further Maths, Chemistry, Physics

PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

BUSINESS

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: A Level Business is a dynamic and engaging subject with a holistic approach to business. You will study models, theories and techniques to help you develop a deeper understanding of business issues relevant in the modern world. You will develop the knowledge and skills needed to analyse data, think critically about issues and make informed decisions - all skills that are needed for further study and employment.

Topics include: an introduction to business and objectives, financial control, operational control, marketing decisions, and human resource management. In the second year you will gain a greater understanding of strategic choices and the importance of issues such as globalisation.

Assessment: written examinations.

Next steps: you could progress to a range of business, economics and accountancy degrees, or degrees in psychology, sociology, maths and history. Our students have also moved on to Higher Apprenticeships with companies such as Rolls Royce. The subject allows a career in management, retail, marketing, accountancy, HR, event planning, logistics, supply chain management - and many other areas of business.

ECONOMICS

High Pavement Sixth Form

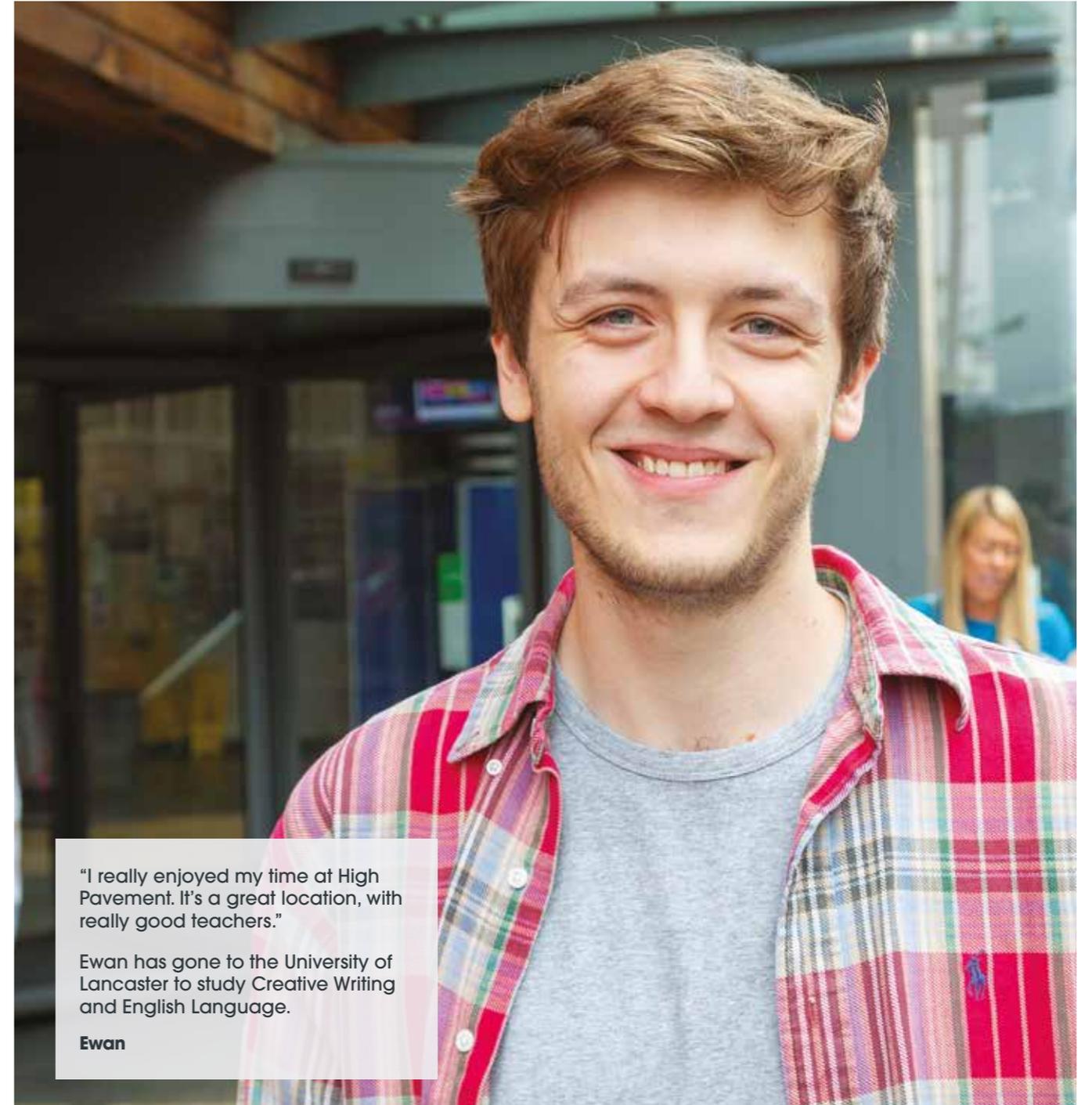
Course content: economics studies the problem of scarce resources alongside the unlimited desires of humans and society. The course studies this problem from two perspectives.

Firstly, it looks at how markets work to set prices and how economies deal with failures of the market mechanism.

Secondly, the course looks at the wider economic problems faced by government such as achieving economic growth and managing inflation. The course ends with a unit that brings both of these areas of economics together for a study of applied economics looking at specific economic problems.

Assessment: examinations.

Next steps: you could progress on to a related higher education course such as economics or business finance. To enter an economics degree course the majority of universities require A Level Maths. There are lots of careers open to you such as economist, investment analyst, actuary, market researcher, data analyst or accountancy.



"I really enjoyed my time at High Pavement. It's a great location, with really good teachers."

Ewan has gone to the University of Lancaster to study Creative Writing and English Language.

Ewan

SOCIAL SCIENCES & HUMANITIES

GEOGRAPHY

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: geography is about the relationship between people and the environment, including topical issues such as climate change and globalisation. Hands-on experience of fieldwork is an essential part of the course: field trips, day visits and local studies will be integrated into the programme.

Topics include: natural hazards, globalisation, geographical investigations and the global challenges of the 21st century such as: how to feed 9 billion people, the causes and impacts of migration and the potential fight for energy and water security.

Assessment: examinations (80%) and coursework (20%).

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as geography, planning, development, environmental studies or earth sciences. Geography graduates are among the most employable and move into a variety of areas such as planning, logistics, sustainable management, the energy sector, site management and surveying.

HISTORY

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: this subject builds on the skills and knowledge you gained at school.

Topics include: a Breadth Study: Tsarist and Communist Russia, 1855-1964 (1855-1917 for AS Level), and a Depth Study: The English Revolution, 1625-1660 (1625-1642 for AS Level). Both topics are assessed by exams which are made up of a combination of source-based questions and essays. You will also undertake an historical investigation into any aspect of history that interests you, which carries 20% of the overall A Level marks.

Assessment: examinations and coursework.

A Level: two 150 minute exam papers, each worth 40% of the marks, and a 3,000-3,500 word historical investigation worth 20% of the marks.

Next steps: History A Level can lead to higher education in a wide range of subjects and is particularly useful for related subjects such as history, politics, law or teaching. History is a highly regarded academic subject which develops skills valued by employers and universities.

POLITICS

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: you will study the features of government and political systems at local, national and international levels. You do not need to have studied the subject before, but you must have an interest in politics and current affairs.

Topics include: UK Politics, UK Government, Core Political Ideas and Global Politics.

Assessment: examinations.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as politics, political studies, political history, sociology or international relations. There are lots of careers open to you such as journalist, political researcher, local government officer or civil servant.

SOCIOLOGY

High Pavement Sixth Form

Course content: if you are interested in what makes society tick and how we are affected by the society we live in, this is the course for you. You'll learn to question and challenge ideas and assumptions, critically examine evidence, and experience lots of discussion and debate.

Topics include: education and methods in context, families and households, research methods, education and methods in context, families and households, global development, crime and deviance, theory and methods.

Assessment: three written exams.

Next steps: you could progress to a related higher education course such as sociology, politics, social policy, criminology, anthropology and development studies. There are lots of careers open to you such as social worker, counsellor, probation officer, teacher, charity worker or housing officer.

"The support I received from College was crucial in my success. I felt that those that helped me had a genuine desire to help me and to see me achieve my goals. This level of support gave me the confidence to pursue my dream, even when I had doubts."

Oliver has progressed to the University of Oxford to do History at Christ Church.

Oliver Sociology, Maths, History



YOUR FUTURE

OVER 200 YEARS IN THE MAKING

We've got a modern, purpose-built campus and fantastic facilities. But did you know that our roots can be traced back to the original High Pavement School in 1788? We think it's the perfect combination of academic history and forward thinking.

CHOOSE A LEVELS AT HIGH PAVEMENT SIXTH FORM

Aged 19+

Your options

A Levels

If you are thinking of returning to education to get additional A Levels and go to university, we would love to hear from you.

We will discuss a specific programme of study with you at interview.

As a guide most adults either study one A Level intensively over one year, or two to three A Levels over two years.

You can apply online and then we may invite you in to discuss the right programme for you.

Access to Higher Education (HE) Courses

If you want to study for a university-level course but don't yet have the necessary qualifications, then an alternative to A Levels could be an Access to HE course.

Access courses are specifically designed for adults aged 19+ returning to education. Our one-year Access to HE courses offer a fast-track route to degree-level study, and are tailored to specific careers like law or nursing, or cover broader areas including science, social sciences and business.

It is our goal to help you begin your journey to a new career, and we do all we can to ensure that the transition to full-time education runs as smoothly as possible.

We create a relaxed environment for all our students, as we believe that this helps inspire learning. You will have the chance to join like-minded people on our Access courses, in a mature environment with supportive tutors.

We offer Access to HE courses in:

- Art, Design and Fashion
- Business
- Games Design
- Law
- Life Sciences
- Media and Digital Technologies
- Nursing and Midwifery
- Photography
- Science
- Social Science, Humanities and International Relations
- Social Sciences
- Social Work
- Teaching

For entry requirements, visit our website at nottinghamcollege.ac.uk where you can also order a Full-Time Course Guide.

Fees and Finance for Access to HE courses

Some students aged 19 or over may be eligible for tuition fee remission, meaning they wouldn't have to pay tuition fees. If not, they may be able to get help with the cost of Access to HE course fees through an Advanced Learner Loan.

These loans are designed to help students pay for course fees, so they don't have to pay them upfront. Students don't have to pay anything back until their income is over £25,000 per year.

What's more, if you are on an Access to HE course, if you then go on to complete a higher education qualification funded by Student Finance England, you will not have to pay back your Advanced Learner Loan.

Preparing for the future

Degrees on your doorstep

If you'd like to stay local for your university-level study, did you know we offer higher education right here at Nottingham College?

Our class sizes are small and there's plenty of one-to-one support from our friendly staff.

Employers help shape the curriculum, and we have staff with current industry experience, so you can be confident that our courses will prepare you for your future career.

Nottingham College is a supportive environment where you'll be studying alongside like-minded people.

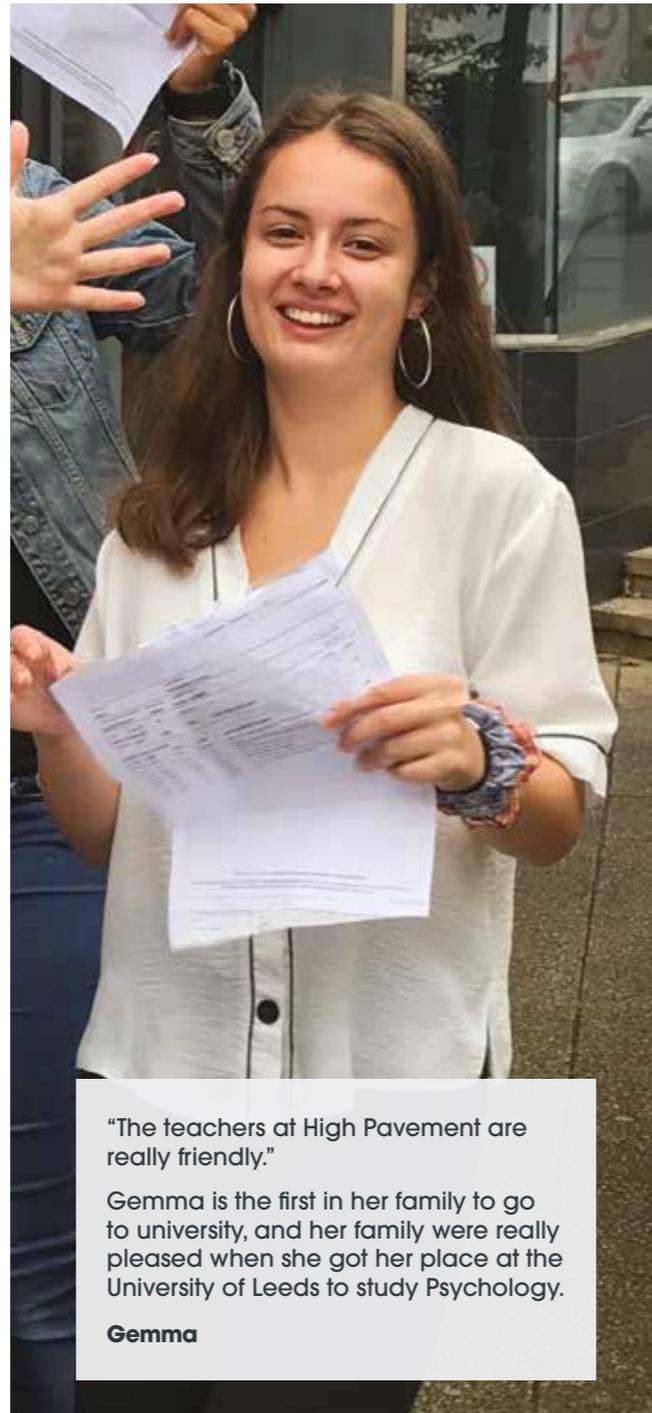
For a full list of courses or to order a university-level course guide visit: nottm.co/he

Our full-time HE fees are very competitive at £7,500 per year (2018-19).

Our higher education partners include Nottingham Trent University and Pearson Edexcel.

We also offer BA (Hons) top-up courses.

In 2017 we were awarded the highest level of judgement by the Quality Assurance Agency, highlighting the quality of student experience and academic standards in our higher education provision.



"The teachers at High Pavement are really friendly."

Gemma is the first in her family to go to university, and her family were really pleased when she got her place at the University of Leeds to study Psychology.

Gemma

Close links with Nottingham Trent University

We enjoy a great relationship with our neighbours, Nottingham Trent University (NTU). This means we can give you a taste of what your life at university could be like.

NTU also offer expert help with higher education applications and decisions about your future. Over the last 10 years NTU has offered expert advice and support to help our students achieve their goals. They offer activities to help with your university applications, including: personal statement writing and finance workshops; team building and interview skills sessions; and taster days.



Moving on to higher education

Our students progress to a range of different universities, including Oxbridge and many Russell Group universities.

- Nottingham Trent University
- The University of Leicester
- The University of Oxford
- De Montfort University
- Sheffield Hallam University
- The University of Derby
- The University of Nottingham
- Leeds Beckett University
- The University of Manchester
- The University of Sheffield
- The University of Bristol
- The University of Cambridge
- Manchester Metropolitan University
- The University of Warwick
- University College London

...and many more!

Alumni and High Pavement Society

The original High Pavement School was established in 1788, and became a Sixth Form in 1975. We're immensely proud of our former students (or alumni), and the High Pavement Society is made up just that - alumni who want to keep in touch, share memories, and support High Pavement after they leave us.

When you leave the College and embark on the next chapter of your life, you can choose to join the High Pavement Society, so you can keep in touch for many years to come.

High Pavement Society proudly sponsors a number of annual awards for our students, including Head Boy and Head Girl awards for the two students with the best overall A Level results, as well as the Ken Bateman Award for Engineering. This award is designed to encourage a student who is considering engineering at university, and is supported by alumnus and Society member Ken, who is a retired mining engineer living in Australia.

The Society also sponsors the Stanley Middleton Literature Award, named in honour of the alumnus and Booker-prize-winning author, and awarded to a student who has excelled at English at the College and progressed to study Literature at university.



Here are just a few of our other notable alumni:

- Satirist, actor and TV personality John Bird, known for the award-winning satirical TV show *Bremner, Bird and Fortune*, among others
- Seasoned actor, Peter Bowles, known for *To the Manor Born*, *Rumpole of the Bailey*, and more recently for his role as the Duke of Wellington in ITV's *Victoria*
- Clinical psychologist, Dr. Rebekah Tennyson, who progressed to the University of Cambridge and now works in child and adolescent mental health, along with completing research in the field of fertility preservation for young people with cancer
- Successful entrepreneur, philanthropist, and the first black Lord Lieutenant of Greater London, Sir Kenneth Olisa OBE
- Composer, musician, and member of the band Hawkwind, Simon House
- Biochemist, the late Professor Kenneth Burton FRS, renowned for his work on DNA

Could you be one of the next High Pavement alumni to inspire future generations?

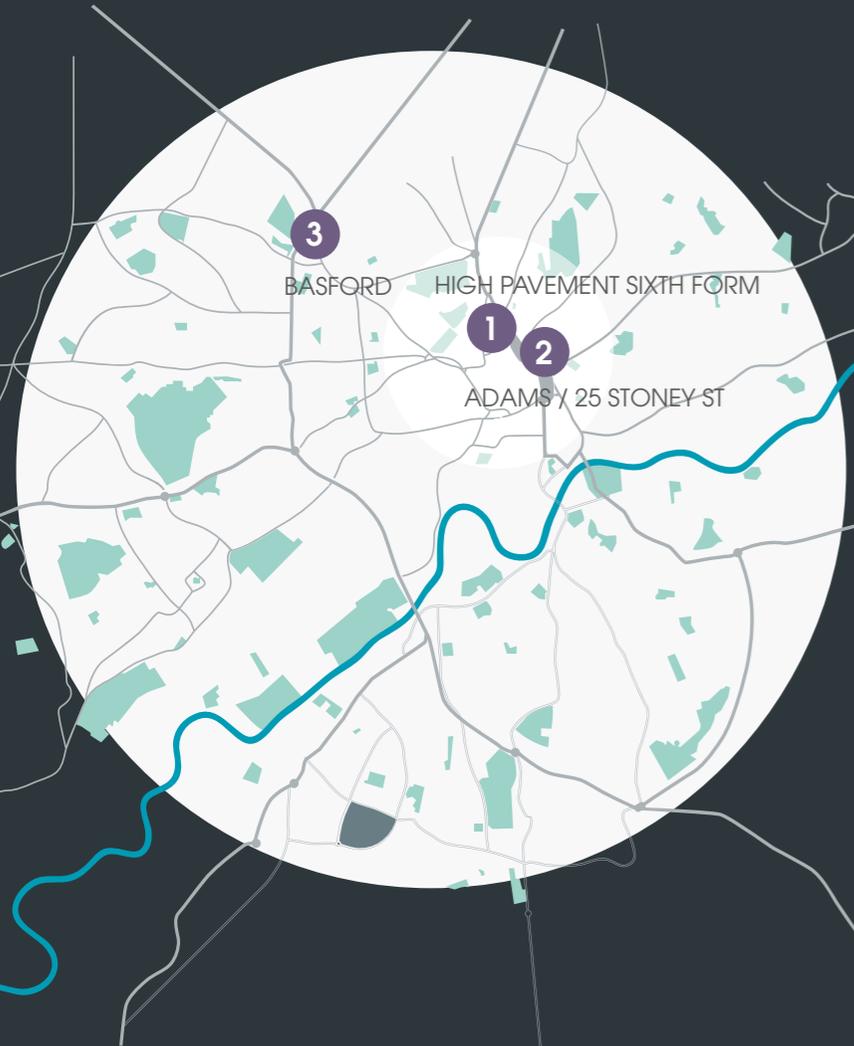
Some of our 2018 Leavers



Where we are

Getting to High Pavement Sixth Form is easy. We're located on Chaucer Street in Nottingham city centre, right next to Nottingham Trent University. There are bus and tram stops only a couple of minutes' walk away. It's easy to get to us from Nottingham train station too. Our other campuses are easy to get to on public transport.

We encourage the use of public transport wherever possible. Limited parking is available at some campuses. For full details and information about public car parks, see our website.



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Nottingham, NG1 5LP
- 2 Adams / 25 Stoney Street**
The Lace Market,
Nottingham, NG1 1NG
- 3 Basford**
664 Nuthall Road, Basford,
Nottingham, NG8 6AQ

Which bus should I catch?

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| High Pavement Sixth Form | NCT / Trent Barton All buses to city |
| Adams / 25 Stoney St | NCT / Trent Barton All buses to city |
| Basford | NCT Yellow 71 Turquoise 79/79A |

Closest tram stops

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| High Pavement Sixth Form | Nottingham Trent University |
| Adams / 25 Stoney St | Lace Market |
| Basford | Cinderhill / David Lane |



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