



CANTERBURY COLLEGE

Key Facts

- Within Canterbury College there are four individual colleges focused towards providing the best learning environment for its students.
- Canterbury College has a satellite campus, Sheppey College, which has excellent rates for success.
- The college works closely with local employers and designs specialist courses.
- Its mission: "To be the very best in teaching and learning."

Location and Facilities

- The Canterbury Campus is situated in the town centre, close to Canterbury East train station and a short walk from the bus station. Students benefit from all facilities close at hand.
- Canterbury College has a student information centre, on-site refectory and learning centre, library, sports hall, theatre and a motor vehicle workshop.
- Within Canterbury College:
 - **College for Young People:** students can choose from a wide range AS/A levels and/or vocational studies, plus the opportunity of work experience and voluntary work.
 - **Adult and Community College:** works in collaboration with community partners to support adults working towards higher education.
 - **Workforce Development College:** offers a range of professional development courses tailored to employers needs.
 - **Higher Education:** offers a range of full-time and part-time courses.
- Sheppey College is in Sheerness, situated close to the bus and railway stations.
 - The college offers a wide range of subjects meeting the educational needs of school leavers and adults.
- Students are offered careers advice and a range of support and guidance on courses and funding.

Faculties and Departments

- The **College for Young People** is well resourced with:
 - Art, Design and Drama studios
 - Recording studio for Media Studies
 - Working environment for Hair and Beauty
 - Working environment for Catering
- The **Adult & Community College** provides the opportunity to study at 'high street centres'.
 - Learning centres are in Whitstable, Herne Bay, Murston, Sittingbourne, and Faversham.
 - Partners include: Shaw Trust and Skillnet Group offering tuition to those with learning difficulties. Skillnet provides ICT training for those in isolated areas.

- Access courses towards Higher Education:
 - Humanities
 - Teaching Studies
 - Social sciences
 - Art & Design
 - Health Studies
 - Access to Nursing
- The **Workforce Development College** offers academic courses and programmes providing a mixture of work and college based studies. In particular, there are specialist facilities for IT and engineering to ensure students are “training fit” for local employers.
- **Higher Education** offers courses for Honours Degrees, Higher National Certificates, Higher National diplomas and Foundation Courses.
 - Specialisms include:
 - Civil Engineering
 - Information Technology and
 - Mechanical Engineering.
- **Sheppey College** offers a range of courses including GCSE's, vocational courses, NVQ's, Advanced GCE's and BTEC First/National Diploma's.

Links with Business and Training

Canterbury College offers a range of professional development courses and develops bespoke courses with employers to meet specific training needs. By collaborating with industry it supports students to gain qualifications and skills to help them further their careers, return to work or change careers.

Canterbury College achieved the ‘Action for Business College’ status in April 2005. This accreditation recognises those colleges that meet standards for excellence when working with and delivering learning to employers and employees. Driven by the South-East Regional Learning and Skills Council and the South East Economic Development Agency (SEEDA), Canterbury was only the fourth college in the South East to achieve the standard.

Future Activities and Highlights

The £47 million redevelopment of the Canterbury campus is well underway, the first phase already complete. It is one of the largest projects of any further education facility in the country.

The state-of-the-art campus will include a unique street-like layout which will have ‘front-of-house’ services open to the public including hairdressing, travel shops and restaurants complete with training facilities.

This will further provide high quality education and training for employers and the local community.

For more information visit <http://www.cant-col.ac.uk/>