

# 22 CATCH22 COLLEGE

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# ABOUT CATCH22 COLLEGE

# **FIND YOUR FUTURE**

IF YOU ARE READING THIS THEN IT'S PROBABLY BECAUSE YOU ARE STARTING TO THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE GOING DO WHEN YOU LEAVE SCHOOL. OR PERHAPS BECAUSE YOU HAVE ALREADY LEFT AND ARE THINKING ABOUT WHAT DO DO NEXT. IF, LIKE THOUSANDS OF OTHERS, YOU'RE NOT SURE THAT A LARGE, TRADITIONAL COLLEGE IS FOR YOU, THEN WE MIGHT BE JUST WHAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR.

We specialise in offering learning and training opportunities for students who, for whatever reason, don't want to stay in a traditional academic environment. We provide our students with a different option – the opportunity to carry on their learning in a smaller, highly supportive environment where the focus is on providing learning and training options to help you gain the skills, qualifications and experiences you need to achieve your goals in life.

We work with you to design a programme that fits with your interests and ambitions. As well as helping you to build your skills in English and maths, you can gain recognised

qualifications in work-focused subjects, take up work experience and take part in other activities that will help you to build your confidence so that you are ready to enter the world of work.

Unlike lots of other colleges, you can join us at any point during the year once you've left secondary education.
So take a look through our prospectus and see what we offer.



# WHO WE ARE

Catch22 is a national charity. We exist because we believe that everybody in life needs three basic things to be able to get on in life and to achieve their potential:

PEOPLE: We believe that everybody needs good people around them who are there to provide support and encouragement to achieve their aims in life. Our College sites are run by teachers and tutors who are passionate about providing this support and encouragement to our students. They don't just care about what grades you can achieve, but also about your development as a person.

PLACE: We believe that everybody needs a safe place where they can properly focus on making changes to their lives. Our college sites are welcoming, warm and smaller than most other colleges, which means that you get more support and can feel more at ease in your learning environment

PURPOSE: We believe that everybody needs a clear sense of where they want to go, and help to get there. We help our students to find this sense of purpose. We develop clear, realistic plans for how our students can achieve their immediate goals. We also go a step further by helping students think about their next steps after college.



# LIFE AT THE CATCH22 COLLEGE

# WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

# WHAT COULD I STUDY?

If you join us, we will work with you to design a tailored learning programme which is matched to your interests and goals for the future.

Our students can pick from a range of learning options from four key areas:



1. FUNCTIONAL SKILLS (Maths and English)



2. VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS
(Work focused)



3. WORK EXPERIENCE



4. LIFE SKILLS

We work with you to tailor your learning from the four core areas to make up your learning programme and to create a timetable that suits you.

More information on each of the Catch22 Colleges and the options available in each of the four areas can be found in Sections 2 and 3.



# HOW LONG WILL MY COURSE BE AND HOW OFTEN WILL I ATTEND?

We tailor our learning programmes to meet the individual needs and goals of our students. This means the amount of time you spend with us will depend on you and the programme we develop with you.

# **HOW BIG IS THE COLLEGE?**

Our average class size is around 12 students and we usually have around 30 to 40 students enrolled with us at any one time. We want our students to feel comfortable and fully supported in their studies, and so we keep our numbers lower than most other colleges.

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### WHAT IS THE LIFE SKILLS PART ABOUT?

We want to help our students find their future — we want to help you work out what you want in life, and then to set you on a path to achieving it. This means more than just getting you some qualifications, it's also about helping you to build your confidence and to realise that you have the power to achieve your goals.

We do this by providing you with access to a range of additional activities and support that will help you in your future. For instance, you could take part in community projects with fellow students to help you practice your skills in teamworking and managing projects, or in extra learning sessions to help you get better at managing your money, or how to apply and get that perfect job.

You will also be assigned a personal tutor who is there to support you while you are with us. They will meet with you every couple of weeks to give you any support you might need, or just for a catch-up.

# WILL IT COST ME ANYTHING?

Our programme is completely free, so it won't cost you or your family a penny. In fact, some students are entitled to a bursary payment of up to £40 each week to help them attend our programmes.

## HOW DO I GET ON TO THE PROGRAMME?

Take a look through the rest of this prospectus to find out more about what we offer in your area. If you think we can help you find your future, then get in touch today to get started. To do this you can either visit www.catch-22.org.uk/Catch22College, or you can call our team in your area by phoning the contact number on the next page.

