



This issue is focused on information about higher education, and new provisions that Northern College are offering.

New provisions at Northern College!

Sector-based Work Academy and Programme (SWAP)

The main purpose of a SWAP is to support you to successfully gain employment.

- You will take part in training and gain essential qualifications
- Take part in a work placement at a local employer
- At the end of the process, you are guaranteed an interview

We will be offering SWAPs in the areas of Care, Call Centre, Retail and SIA, and in the future we may be offering SWAPs in different sectors. Whilst taking part in the SWAP you would stay residentially at the college.

Please speak to your local Job Centre Plus about SWAPs at Northern College, or email referrals@northern.ac.uk to get more information.

ESOL

Learning a new language is undeniably tough, but it's a crucial step to increase your chances of securing employment and forging new friendships within your new community.

We now offer several [ESOL](#) courses for people whose first language is not English, from those who are total beginners to others who may be a bit more advanced with their English.

Our courses will boost your confidence, help you communicate better in everyday situations, handle common tasks in English, improve your digital skills, earn qualifications, and even prepare for job applications and career advancement.

Multiply

Numeracy is the ability to understand and use maths in daily life, home, and work. Whether that be improving household finances, helping children with homework, making more sense of the stats and facts in the media, or improving numeracy skills specific to your line of work.

Do you live in Barnsley and want to improve your maths skills? This short course will help build your knowledge in the subject, helping you in the future to be more confident to use maths in your day-to-day life.

Please email Stephanie Eyre on seyre@northern.ac.uk to find out more information about this course.

Thinking about progressing onto Higher Education?



The [UCAS website](#) is the best resource to use to find information about undergraduate courses, financial support during your studies and degree apprenticeships. You can also take part in career quizzes, and chat to students who are currently studying for a degree to seek advice about the course they are pursuing.

University open days will be taking place from October - January, this is a great opportunity to visit the campus, speak to university lecturers and ask any questions you have about studying at higher education. Book your place on the open day using the specific university website.

Are you wanting to progress to university in the future, but want to build your academic skills before progressing onto our Access to HE Diploma in September 2024? [The Pre-Access Level 2](#) course is the perfect course to help you.

Don't forget...

Wanting to progress into employment, take part in a SWAP!

Live in Barnsley and want to improve your numeracy skills, take part in Multiply!

Interested in University but want to update your skills, confidence and academic studies, apply for a Pre-Access Diploma starting in November.

Booking a careers appointment

If you need support or a progression pathway/plan of courses creating for you, please speak to the student services team and book an appointment with the college Careers Adviser. You can also book an appointment with the [National Careers Service](#), who can help you get to where you are aiming to be, as a college we can book the appointment for you or you are able to do this online.
