

## Level 2 Stepping Stone (Extended Certificate): Animal Care, Land-based Studies or Retail Skills



For Level 1 students who require additional study before progressing on to Level 2 courses can sign on to our our Stepping Stone programme.

Our Stepping Stone programme is a unique opportunity to reinforce your Level 1 lessons. You will create a portfolio that is continually assessed during the year. There are no formal exams! You will broaden your existing vocational skills from Level 1, develop your ability to study independently, explore career routes within the industry and boost your confidence before you move on to a higher and more demanding level of study. You will undertake 75 hours of work experience in a setting that's relevant to your qualification.

### PROGRESSION

A full Level 2 or Level 3 course within the College.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

We will assess you to direct you to the most appropriate level of study but usually we require you to have a Level 1 qualification in a relevant subject or Grades 2-3 at GCSE.

### STUDY LOCATIONS

York: Except Retail Skills.  
Middlesbrough: Animal Care only.  
Newton Rigg: All programmes.

## Level 2 (Diploma): Animal Care, Land-based Studies or Retail Skills



After a year of study at Level 1 many of our students progress onto Level 2. This is a one year full-time programme.

These are full Level 2 programmes so you will be studying independently as well as building on the skills you have previously gained with us. 150 hours of work experience will help you to explore career routes within your chosen industry. You will build an evidence-based portfolio that we will assess during the year.

### PROGRESSION

Level 3 programme of study or employment in a related area.

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Four GCSEs at Grade 3 or a Merit at Level 1.

### STUDY LOCATIONS

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If you have not yet achieved a Grade 4 in English or maths GCSE then you will continue working in these subjects at the right level for you for the duration of your study programme.



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**“I first started on the Level 1 Animal Care course and have now progressed on to Level 2. The staff here are knowledgeable and the facilities with a great variety of animals, are excellent. I hope to progress to Level 3 next year so I can one day achieve my dream of becoming a zookeeper.”**

Alex, Level 2 Animal Care student

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## Open Events

Come along to one of our Further Education Open Events or Taster Days to find out more about what we offer. Book at [www.askham-bryan.ac.uk/whats-on](http://www.askham-bryan.ac.uk/whats-on) or [www.newtonrigg.ac.uk/whats-on](http://www.newtonrigg.ac.uk/whats-on)

### Taster Days

13 February 2020

3 April 2020

23 June 2020

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The Foundation Learning department offers a hands-on educational experience with courses suited for students seeking to earn entry-level qualifications, retake courses to receive improved grades or pursue a study programme with provided extra learning support due to additional learning needs.

We have access to a range of learning areas including equine, animal care, agriculture and horticulture across our York, Middlesbrough and Newton Rigg campuses. A General Further Education course is also available if your interests are not in land-based subjects.

#### CAREER PATHWAYS

- Progression within department.
- Progression to a full Level 2 course and above at any campus.
- Employment or voluntary work in a sector specific area.



## Entry Level 1 – 3.5 (Diploma): Practical Countryside Skills



You will have the opportunity to study units in: Horticulture and Conservation; Animal Care; General Livestock; and Poultry.

You will study in College for a mixture of practical and theory sessions. Assessments will be spread throughout the year and will include either written, oral, practical, individual or group work. We will also help you develop skills for employment and improve your personal performance.

#### PROGRESSION

Higher entry-level course or progress directly to any Level 1 course we offer.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

No formal qualifications are needed. We will need to assess you to make sure we can provide the right support appropriate to the level of study.

#### STUDY LOCATIONS

York  
Middlesbrough  
Newton Rigg

## General Further Education Course: Introduction to Vocational Studies



The Introduction to Vocational Studies is an innovative new study programme that offers units in areas such as Business or Travel and Tourism alongside core units which will develop your study skills.

Each unit will be continually assessed throughout the study programme and will be either written or practically assessed. We will help you develop skills that employers are looking for and also improve your personal performance. A mandatory part of your course, which will lend to your transferable skills, is up to 60 hours of work experience in a setting that's relevant to your qualification.

#### PROGRESSION

Those students achieving at Merit or Distinction can progress to a full Level 2 course, for those achieving at Pass level you can move onto our Level 2 Stepping Stone course.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry Level 3 or GCSEs at Grades 1–2.

#### STUDY LOCATIONS

Newton Rigg



## Level 1: Land-based Studies – Agriculture, Animal Care, Equine, Horticulture



We focus on developing both academic and practical skills:

**Agriculture:** A subject for those interested in farming (livestock and crop production). You will get the opportunity to get hands-on experience at our farms on the College's grounds.

**Animal Care:** A range of small or large mammals, birds, reptiles – you name it! You will spend time in our Animal Management units getting industry-standard experience.

**Equine:** This course involves the general daily care and hygiene of horses, which covers assisting with grooming, putting on and removing tack and horse clothing.

**Horticulture:** This study area allows the chance to develop a huge range of skills working with plants and flowers. You will experience different horticultural work environments such as woodland skills, local nature reserves and community projects.

You will study in College for a mixture of practical and theory sessions. Assessments will be spread throughout the year and will include either written, oral, practical, individual or group work. We will also help you develop skills for employment and improve your personal performance.

#### PROGRESSION

Level 2 Stepping Stone course or progress directly on to Level 2 Animal Care, Land-based Studies or Retail Skills.

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

No formal qualifications are needed. We will need to assess you to make sure we can provide the right support appropriate to the level of study.

#### STUDY LOCATIONS

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