

16–19

Education and Training Guide

(Up to 25 for young people with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities)



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A great place to study



Lambeth is a great place to study for all our young residents as you continue on your education, training and career pathways post-16 years of age.

Welcome to the 2019/20 edition of *Post-16 Education and Training guide*. We hope that you will find this booklet a useful guide to your next steps for study in sixth form, college, or as you progress to the world of work, especially as it is now compulsory for all young people to stay in education, training or work through to the age of 18.

This booklet is intended to help you understand more about what is on offer in Lambeth, a starting point for you to begin to think about the next phase of your learning journey.

Lambeth is right at the heart of London, just south of the river Thames, meaning that all of the attractions and opportunities of London are right on your doorstep, or even in the borough itself. When you choose to study in Lambeth you choose to be part of the heart of one of the world's leading cities.

You can select from the very exciting range of academic or vocational courses that are offered in Lambeth's sixth forms and college to help those of you who will eventually go to university. In addition, with new opportunities in traineeships and apprenticeships, we have included information on where you can find information and vacancies in the world of work whilst studying. We have also included a section on enterprise to support those of you with the ambition of starting your own business.

Every young person is extremely important to us and we are committed to helping you achieve your educational goals. If you are a young person with SEND we have included details of our Local Offer which is a dedicated website for Young People with Special Educational and Disability needs.

We are extremely proud of the achievements of all our young people in Lambeth and are delighted to welcome you into this next phase of your learning journey.

We wish you every success in achieving your career aspiration.

Cathy Twist

Director, Education and Learning,
London Borough of Lambeth.

Post-16 learning pathways in Lambeth

Young people now have to continue to do some kind of education or training until they are 18. This is so that they have the best possible chance to gain the knowledge, skills and qualifications you need to be successful in the future. The good news is, there is more choice than ever about where you can study or train. This booklet offers you this impartial guidance which will help you to make your correct choice.

As a 16+ learner, you can choose to remain at your current school sixth form if they have the relevant courses you wish to study. Alternatively, you have the choice of other sixth forms and colleges in and out of borough.

If you have Special Educational Needs or a disability you can find how you can be supported on your chosen pathway on Pages 18 to 19.

The pathway you choose will be based on:

- The GCSE (or equivalent) grades you have achieved
- How you like to learn
- Where and what you would like to study later
- What career you would like in the future

The borough of Lambeth has an excellent range of educational and work-based provision to suit all needs and abilities including:

- **Sixth Forms** (predominantly academic A Levels)
- **Lambeth College**, a Further Education College (career related courses)

- **South Bank UTC** (specialising in STEM and Engineering)
- **King's College London Maths School** (for those who excel in maths and/or physics)
- **Work-based training** (including apprenticeships and traineeships)
- **Special Educational Needs** and Disabilities Provision and support
- Opportunities for those interested in starting your own business (**Entrepreneurship**)

It is important that you carefully consider your options, visit educational establishments and ask questions. See the websites listed in this document for information about open days and entry requirements to different types and levels of courses.

Financial Support

Please visit the Lambeth Education awards and benefits page (lambeth.gov.uk/schools-and-education) for details of Bursary Fund available for some vulnerable and disadvantaged families.

Post-16 provision in Lambeth

This section details locations of post-16 provision in Lambeth for the 2019–20 academic year.

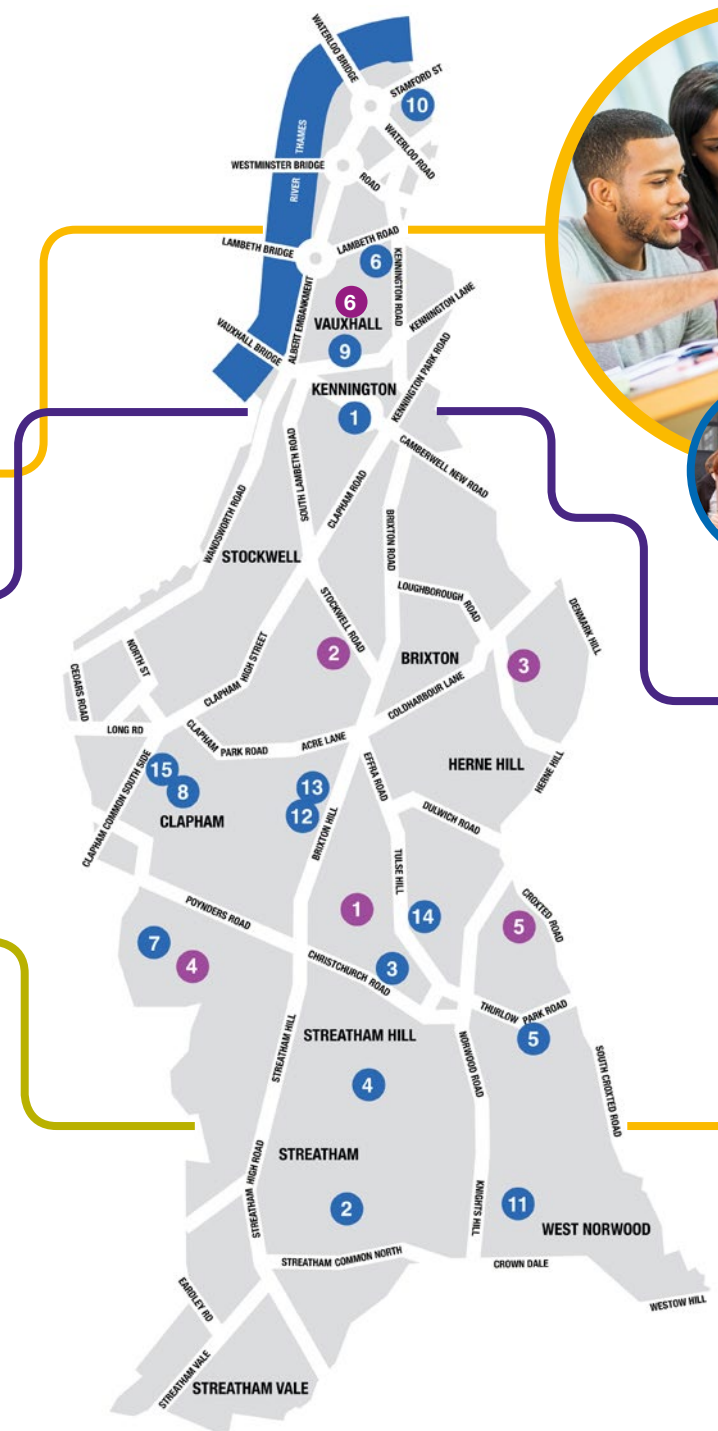
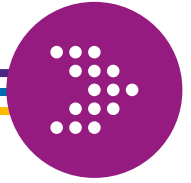
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- 2 Bishop Thomas Grant Catholic Secondary School
- 3 City Heights E-ACT Academy
- 4 Dunraven School
- 5 The Elmgreen School
- 6 King's College London Maths School
- 7 La Re traite Roman Catholic Girls' School
- 8 Lambeth Academy
- 9 Lilian Baylis Technology School
- 10 The London Nautical School
- 11 The Norwood School
- 12 South Bank Engineering UTC
- 13 St Martin-in-the-Fields High School for Girls

Further Education College

- 14 Lambeth College - Brixton Centre
- 15 Lambeth College - Clapham Centre

Special Schools

- 1 Elm Court School
- 2 Lansdowne School
- 3 The Michael Tippett School
- 4 The Michael Tippett College
- 5 Turney School
- 6 Vanguard School (opens January 2020)



Post-16 qualifications explained

After GCSEs there are three main learning pathways to choose from:



Levels of qualifications explained:

Level 8	Doctorate			
Level 7	Master's Degree			Master's Degree Apprenticeship
Level 6	Degree	Foundation Degree	HND	Degree Apprenticeship
Level 5			HNC	Foundation Degree Apprenticeship
Level 4	A Levels	L3 Extended Diploma L3 Subsidiary Diploma	T Levels	Higher Apprenticeship
Level 3				Advanced Apprenticeship
Level 2	GCSE grades A*–C (or 4–9)	L2 Diploma		Intermediate Apprenticeship
Level 1	GCSE grades D–G (or 1–3)	L1 Certificate/ Diploma		
	Academic	Vocational		Apprenticeship

ⓘ Maths and English in Post-16 education

GCSEs in maths and English are very important as they will often be an entry requirement for jobs and Higher Education. All 16 to 19 year-old students who have not achieved both maths and English GCSE grades A*–C (4–9) must continue to study GCSE or approved 'stepping stone' qualifications in maths and/or English (eg functional skills) as a condition of enrolment onto an academic or vocational course.

Which level should I consider?

To help find your next level, we have divided learning pathways into three general levels, based on your current qualifications.

Some learners, for a variety of reasons, may not achieve good GCSEs including maths and English by Year 11. Post-16 education and training offers the opportunity to learn new techniques and study in a variety of ways to help you progress.

✔ Level 1	✔ Level 2	✔ Level 3
<p>If you have achieved: GCSE grades D–G (1–3) or equivalent</p> <p>Apply for (1 year programme of study):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Further GCSEs (if grade D/3 achieved)• Vocational Level 1 qualifications, eg BTEC Level 1• Vocational Level 2 qualifications, eg BTEC Level 2 (usual entry requirement 4 GCSEs grade D/3 and above)• Intermediate Apprenticeships (GCSE grades D/3 or above in maths and English usually, but not always, required)• Traineeships or Pre-Apprenticeships	<p>If you have achieved: 5 GCSEs A*–C (4–9) including maths and English then you should be aiming for Level 3 courses</p> <p>Apply for (2 year programme of study):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Levels, the traditional pathway to university• Vocational Level 3 qualifications, eg BTEC National• Advanced Apprenticeships	<p>Once you have finished your Level 3 studies, you will be on your journey to Higher Education or work.</p> <p>If you have achieved: A Levels or Level 3 Extended Diploma</p> <p>Apply for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• University (with the right grades)• Higher or Degree Apprenticeships



Academic qualifications

What are A Levels?

A Levels are Level 3 qualifications usually started straight after GCSEs. You can choose three or four subjects from those a school or college offers. People often take a mix of new subjects and ones they did well in at GCSE. Course entry requirements, teaching and assessment depend on the subject. Most courses:

- only accept people with four or five GCSEs at grade C (4/5) or above and some ask for specific grades in specific subjects
- are classroom-based
- have a lot of theory and written work - the amount of practical work depends on the subject
- will be assessed mainly by exam

How A Levels are graded?

A Levels are graded A*–E and these are all regarded as pass grades and gain UCAS points towards university entrance. A Levels have been going through changes in recent years and exams now take place at the end of two years' study. AS levels are still offered, but they are one-year, stand-alone qualifications, rather than progressing to A2 as in the past.

Choosing A Levels

You should choose A Levels which you will enjoy studying and will do well

in, combined those needed for your chosen career. If you have a particular university course in mind, it is vital to check the entry requirements - you may need to study specific subjects. Some subjects are more frequently required for entry to degree courses than others. These are known as 'facilitating' subjects because choosing them leaves open a wide range of options for university study. Top universities often ask for at least one A level to be in a facilitating subject. The Russell Group, which represents 24 leading UK universities, has defined facilitating subjects as:

- English Literature
- History
- Modern Languages (eg French, German, Spanish, etc)
- Classical languages (eg Latin, Ancient Greek)
- Maths & Further Maths
- Physics
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Geography

The Russell Group's guide *Informed Choices* (informedchoices.ac.uk) provides students with information, advice and guidance about their post-16 subject choices.

Vocational qualifications

Vocational and technical qualifications are designed to give learners the skills and knowledge to do a particular job, work in a particular industry or acquire more general skills to do a variety of jobs.

All Further Educational Colleges and some sixth forms (including South Bank UTC) will offer vocational qualifications as an alternative pathway to higher learning including Level 2 qualifications (equivalent to 5 GCSEs) or Level 3 qualifications (eg BTEC extended Diploma, equivalent to 3 A Levels) which will give access to Higher Education (university).

Unlike A Levels, BTECs are graded using a Pass (P), Merit (M), Distinction (D) and Distinction* (D*) scale.

Applied General Qualifications

Applied General Qualifications offer the opportunity for applied learning within a broad vocational area rather than preparation for a single occupation. They are a new way to categorise a range of existing Level 3 vocational qualifications, such as BTECs and OCR Cambridge. Applied General Qualifications are available in a range of vocational areas:

- Agriculture, Horticulture, Environmental Conservation & Animal Care
- Performing Arts, Arts, Crafts, Media & Publishing
- Finance, Enterprise, Business & Law
- Health & Social Care and Child Development & Wellbeing

- Construction, Planning & the Built Environment
- Engineering, Manufacturing Technologies & Transport Operations
- Information & Communication Technology
- Leisure, Sport, Travel & Tourism
- Retail, Hospitality & Commercial Enterprise
- Science & Mathematics
- Sociology & Social Policy

T Levels

T Levels are new Level 3 courses, which will be equivalent to 3 A Levels. These 2-year courses have been developed in collaboration with employers and businesses to meet the need of industry and prepare students for work. T Levels will offer students a mixture of classroom learning and 'on-the-job' experience during an industry placement of around three months. They will start to be introduced in 2020 and will be available at a limited number of colleges and schools. In Lambeth La Retraite RC Girls School will be offering Digital Production, Design & Development and Education & Childcare T Levels in September 2020. More T Level courses in more schools and colleges will be on offer from September 2021.

Sixth form provision in Lambeth

The majority of secondary schools in Lambeth have sixth form provision.

Sixth forms for the 2019–20 academic year



ARCHBISHOP TENISON'S SCHOOL
55 Kennington Oval
London SE11 5SR
020 7735 3771
tenisons.com



BISHOP THOMAS GRANT SCHOOL
Belltrees Grove
London SW16 2HY
020 8769 3294
btg.ac



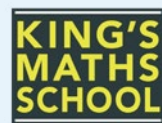
CITY HEIGHTS E-ACT ACADEMY
33 Abbots Park
London SW2 3PW
020 3691 4600
cityheightsacademy.e-act.org.uk



DUNRAVEN SCHOOL
94/98 Leigham Court Road
London SW16 5SR
020 8696 5600
dunraven.org.uk



THE ELMGREEN SCHOOL
Elmcourt Road
London SE27 9BZ
020 8766 5020
the-elmgreen-school.org.uk



KING'S COLLEGE MATHS SCHOOL
80 Kennington Road
London SE11 6NJ
020 7848 6666
kcl.ac.uk/mathsschool



LA RETRAITE ROMAN CATHOLIC
GIRLS' SCHOOL (Mixed Sixth Form)
Atkins Road
London SW12 0AB
020 8673 5644
laretraite.lambeth.sch.uk



LILIAN BAYLIS TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL
323 Kennington Lane
London SE11 5QY
020 7091 9500
lilianbaylis.com



THE NORWOOD SCHOOL
Crown Dale
London SE19 3NY
020 8670 9382
thenorwoodschool.org



ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS
HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS
155 Tulse Hill
London SW2 3UP
020 8674 5594
smartins.academy



Lambeth Academy

LAMBETH ACADEMY
Elms Road
London SW4 9ET
020 7819 4700
lambeth-academy.org



THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL
61 Stamford Street
London SE1 9NA
020 7928 6801
lns.org.uk



SOUTH BANK ENGINEERING UTC
For students aged 14–19 years of age
56 Brixton Hill
London SW2 1QS
020 7738 6115
southbank-utc.co.uk



Further education

Lambeth College



Further education is about more than just academic qualifications, it's about preparing learners for life beyond their studies. Lambeth College has created an environment that promotes cultural diversity, values inclusivity, provides support, and nurtures personal development.

As a university college, there are a huge variety of industry-recognised courses on offer; from Entry level and Level 1 courses, through to Level 3 advanced qualifications, vocational apprenticeships, and the professional accreditation that employers crave.

Lambeth College, part of the London South Bank University Group, offers the following courses for learners aged 16 to 19:

- **Vocational subjects.** For those with a clear idea of the industry in which they'd like to work, the Technical (career specific) or Applied (general) vocational qualifications are the perfect choice. These are available at Levels 1 to 3, and the Level 3 Extended Diploma is the perfect pathway to higher education.
- **Courses for young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities.** Lambeth College's School of Supported Learning focuses on promoting independence and employability, while developing self-confidence and essential core skills. The Entry level 1–3 courses, and personalised programmes, are designed to enhance employability.

- **Apprenticeships.** These are work-based learning programmes that deliver the perfect mix of on-the-job practical training, and academic teaching. Available from Levels 1 to 3, further education apprenticeships are designed for learners looking to advance straight into their chosen career following their studies.
- **Entry level and Foundation courses** are the perfect platform to gain new skills, achieve accredited qualifications, improve confidence, and uncover hidden talents. These courses provide an opportunity to progress to further education, or to fulfil career ambitions.
- **English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL).** Covering core skills such as Maths, English, and Employability, Lambeth College's ESOL courses are designed to teach and improve English language skills. Delivered at the college's Centre of Excellence, these courses prepare learners for further study or rewarding employment.

Please visit lambethcollege.ac.uk for further information.

Work-based learning

Apprenticeships



Apprenticeships offer the chance to work for an employer, earn a salary and gain qualifications at the same time. An Apprenticeship combines hands-on training in the workplace with off-the-job training at a local college or specialist training provider. Apprenticeships cover over 1,500 different job roles and take between one and five years to complete. Because apprentices train for a specific job they are best suited to young people who have clear career ideas.

Apprenticeships are available at different levels:

- Intermediate (Level 2) – equivalent to 5 GCSE grades A*–C (4–9)
- Advanced (Level 3) – equivalent to 2 A Levels
- Higher (Levels 4 & 5) – equivalent to Foundation Degree
- Degree (Levels 6 & 7) – equivalent to Bachelor's or Master's Degree

Applying for apprenticeships is not like applying for college or university. Employers will often ask for similar

qualifications to a college or university course at the same level, but there are no set entry requirements. They are often at least as interested in 'soft skills' such as communication, teamwork and reliability as formal qualifications. At any time, there will normally be well over a thousand vacancies within 10 miles of any address in Lambeth listed at gov.uk/apply-apprenticeship. For more information about Apprenticeships go to gettingofar.gov.uk.

Lambeth College also have links with employers offering apprenticeships lambethcollege.ac.uk/apprenticeships.

Traineeships

Traineeships are intended to be a stepping stone to an apprenticeship, or other job, for those young people who currently lack the necessary skills. They often provide employability or 'soft skills', work experience, and help with maths and English. They are usually unpaid, but some offer expenses. More details and opportunities can be found at gov.uk/find-traineeship.



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities provision in Lambeth

The Children and Families Act 2014 sets out a new Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Code of Practice requiring local authorities to publish in one place a 'Local Offer' - information about provision and support for children and young people with SEND and advice for their families.

At Lambeth we are proud of our Local Offer, which includes local advice, guidance and provision for families with children and Young People requiring SEND support from birth to 25 years.

Our Local Offer can be found here: lambeth.gov.uk/send-local-offer

Lambeth has a dedicated team responsible for overseeing post-16-25 education for those with Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities. This team can be contacted about:

- Support and advice for young people with SEND to achieve their aspirations. These aspirations might be further studies, employment and/or training.
- Post-16 Careers, education, information, advice and guidance for specialist and mainstream college applications (in and out of borough).

- Work based learning routes for SEND (supported internships).
- Information and support on Statements and transition to Educational Health Care Plans.
- Advice on additional learning support which should be offered to ensure correct levels of support at establishment of learning.
- Arrangements for travel support to enable young people to attend sixth forms and colleges.
- Health services and charities that support young people with SEND.
- Social Care services, including short breaks.

For further information on advice and support available go to lambeth.gov.uk/send-local-offer



Mainstream schools with specialist SEND Provision

In Lambeth we also have mainstream schools who offer additional learning support:

- **City Heights E-ACT Academy** has additional provision for students with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) as the primary need.
- **Dunraven School** has additional provision for students with speech and language difficulties.
- **The Elmgreen School** has additional provision to support students with hearing impairment.
- **The London Nautical School** has additional provision for students with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) as the primary need.

For a full list of institutions approved to offer SEND provision in and out of the borough go to gov.uk/education

Post-16 Specialist SEND Provision



ELM COURT SCHOOL

Elm Court School caters for students with Learning Difficulties with associated social communication needs. Many students have Autism.

Elm Park, London SW2 2EF

020 8674 3412

elmcourt.lambeth.sch.uk



LANSDOWNE SCHOOL

Lansdowne School caters for students with Learning Difficulties with associated Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD).

49 Combermere Road,
London SW9 9QD

020 7737 3713

lansdowneschool.co.uk



Roots and Shoots

ROOTS AND SHOOTS

Roots and Shoots are a vocational training provider, offering programmes for young people up to the age of 25 who have an EHC Plan. Courses are tailored to individual learning needs and employment goals and provide training in retail and horticulture together with a focus on employability and personal development.

Walnut Tree Walk, Kennington,
London SE11 6DN

020 7587 1131

rootsandshoots.org.uk

Post-19 Specialist SEND Provision



THE MICHAEL TIPPETT COLLEGE

The Michael Tippett College caters for young people aged 19–25 years with Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD) and Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties (PMLD).

Belthorn Crescent, Weir Road, Balham,
London SW12 0NS

020 7326 5890

tmts.me.uk/College



LAMBETH COLLEGE

Programmes are offered that have been specially created for young people with SEND in order to provide pathways to employment, independence and being a full member of the community.

Brixton Centre, 56 Brixton Hill,
London SW2 1QS

Clapham Centre, 45 Clapham Common
South Side, London SW4 9BL

020 7501 5010

lambethcollege.ac.uk



THE MICHAEL TIPPETT SCHOOL

The Michael Tippett School caters for students with Severe Learning Difficulties (SLD) or Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties (PMLD).

Heron Road, Herne Hill,
London SE24 0HZL

0207 326 5898

tmts.me.uk



TURNEY SCHOOL

Turney School caters for students with Autistic Spectrum Disorder (ASD) with associated communication difficulties and complex global delay.

Turney Road, London SE21 8LX

020 8670 7220

turneyschool.co.uk



THE VANGUARD SCHOOL

Vanguard School is due to open in January 2020 to autistic students aged 11–19.

autism.org.uk/services/nas-schools/vanguard.aspx



University

You will need to seek advice from your school or college about your choices at age 18+. You can support on university choice, applications and possible alternatives to higher education.

Deciding whether to go onto higher education, what and where to study, could be some of the most important decisions you ever make. Some professions (eg architecture, teaching or medicine) require a degree. Many more employers now expect their staff to have high levels of education. For many people university is also the chance to study a subject they are passionate about.

You should choose a university and course based on what is important to you. There is advice and information on the UCAS What and where to study page at ucas.com/undergraduate.

UCAS

Applications to full-time higher education courses in the UK must be made through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). There are many guides to applying online, including ucas.com/undergraduate.

Student finance

For information about tuition fees and student loans see the UCAS guide at ucas.com/finance and the MoneySavingExpert.com myth busting guide at moneysavingexpert.com/students.

Open days

There is no substitute for seeing a university for yourself. Open days are designed to give you a real feel for how you will be studying, giving you the chance to see facilities as well as meeting staff and current students first hand. Events are advertised on a university's website and there is more information at open days, other events and virtual tours at ucas.com/undergraduate.

Despite all the advantages higher education is not be the right for everyone and for some going straight from college or sixth form to university might not be the best choice.

Gap years

Gap years can give you time to focus on what you want to do next, and can enhance your CV or university application. Some people travel or work on projects abroad and others might do voluntary work and develop new skills. More information can be found at ucas.com/alternatives.

Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are now a serious alternative to full-time higher education for some careers. In London many major employers have Higher and Degree Apprenticeships. More information can be found on Page 17 of this document and at gov.uk/education.



London South Bank University

Our local university, London South Bank University (LSBU) has been providing vocationally-relevant, accredited and professionally recognised education which transforms lives, businesses and communities since 1892.

For two years running, in 2017 and 2018 LSBU has been named 'University of the Year for Graduate Employment' by The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide.

Lambeth Council has strong working relationships with LSBU, which works closely with our schools and has special programmes throughout the year to give our young Lambeth residents 'tasters' in University life through a variety of 'in year' and summer holiday programmes.

Earlier this year LSBU welcomed Lambeth College into its family of education institutions, which means students can now benefit of a wide range of educational and career development opportunities, including links to strong employer partnerships. The new partnership is great news for young people, as it promises to improve the educational opportunities and the guidance they'll need to go on to have successful careers.

LSBU offers degrees and courses in the following schools/departments:

- Applied Sciences
- Arts and Creative Industries
- The Built Environment and Architecture
- Business
- Engineering
- Health and Social Care
- Law and Social Science

LSBU also offers apprenticeship programmes across a wide range of sectors.

For further details, please see lsbu.ac.uk

or contact the University directly

London South Bank University
90 London Road
London SE1 6LN

General enquiries: 020 7815 7815
Course enquiries: 0800 923 8888
course.enquiry@lsbu.ac.uk



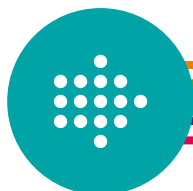
Starting your own business

If you have good business ideas, are determined and ambitious, working for yourself can be very rewarding. It will not be easy though, and you are likely to face lots of challenges, particularly in the early stages. There are opportunities in Lambeth to help you to develop business ideas and start-up:

- **The Prince's Trust**, based in Kennington supports young people aged 18–30 who want to start a business princes-trust.org.uk
- **Tree Shepherd** (treeshepherd.org.uk) and **Hatch Enterprise** (<https://hatchenterprise.org>) are local organisations offering enterprise support to people of all ages
- **Shell**, a multi-national organisation with a base in Lambeth (the Shell Centre), provides free online business advice and funding to young entrepreneurs through Shell LiveWIRE (shell-livewire.org)
- **The London Growth Hub** (lep.london/business-support) offers a comprehensive list of support available to people starting or growing a business in London
- **Lambeth College** has range of qualifications in business and finance lambethcollege.ac.uk/courses
- **Green Man Skills Zone**, based in Coldharbour Lane, offers employment and enterprise support to young people greenmanskillszone.com
- Help and advice for local business from **Lambeth Council** at lambeth.gov.uk

Social Enterprises

Social enterprises are businesses that aim to improve communities or the environment. What makes them different from other businesses is that tackling social issues is as important as making money. One benefit of setting up a social enterprise is that you may be able to apply for grants and funding. You can find more information at socialenterprise.org.uk





Lambeth is a great place to study for all our young residents as you continue on your education, training and career pathways post-16 years of age.

