



community
sports college

COLLEGE PROSPECTUS

EDUCATE

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"Learners produce high quality work, often exceeding expectations. They are proud of their work and their achievements. They want to excel and have very high expectations. They benefit from extremely high quality teaching and role models, who offer highly effective praise and encouragement. Teachers use a very broad range of methods to engage and interest learners in current and best practice. This supports learners to be curious and achieve higher grades." LFE Quality Visit 2021.

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Welcome

"Staff know the learners extremely well; they understand their individual needs and provide a tailored service to meet these. Staff are patient, calm, welcoming and fun. This creates a very positive environment for these learners, who then make rapid progress as a result."

LFE Quality Visit 2021.

It is with great pleasure to introduce our outstanding college here at Fleetwood Town Community Sports College.

The Sports College has grown substantially over the last few years not only in student numbers, but in the variety of education provisions on offer. Despite this growth, we are still able to provide a very supportive and student-focused environment for all our learners.

Despite having a focus on football, we are able to offer something for everyone interested in sport,

whether this is to gain further qualifications, access to real life work experience, or representing Fleetwood Town at a regional and national level.

We are very fortunate in our access to elite training facilities which students have daily use of. Additionally, we have a fantastic relationship with a professional club and other departments within the Community Trust to provide students with advice, support, and a wide range of work experience opportunities.

Our tutors and coaches are not only qualified to teach at this level, but they also have a vast array of experience within the sports and leisure industry. If you have a passion for sport, there is no better place to study. I look forward to welcoming all prospective students for the new academic year.

Ross Powell
Sports College Manager



Our Campus



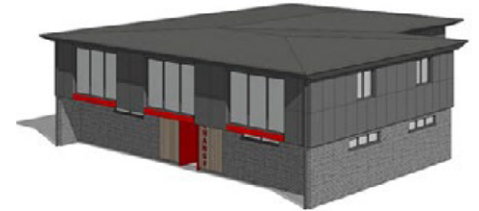
Poolfoot Farm

This is where you will be based as a Fleetwood Town Community Sports College student. Here, we train and study alongside the 1st team and Academy utilising 2x4G pitches, 4x 5-a-side cages, fully equipped fitness suite and purpose built classrooms. As well as excellent learning and playing facilities, there is also Pizza Calcio restaurant where you can purchase lunch & snacks.



Highbury Stadium

Even though most of the education is provided at Poolfoot Farm, we also have access to our home ground. We use the Parkside suite for any functions or activities that would require larger space and in the off season, we have the opportunity to play at the home ground. All students are rewarded with an Onward Card to access all home games.



Community & Education Hub

As our Community and education provision continues to grow, we are in the process of undertaking planning for a new Community & Education Hub which will be based at Poolfoot Farm Sports & Leisure Complex. This will not only provide excellent learning spaces for our students but also provide a suitable base for other provisions for the local community. This includes state of the art classrooms and a wellness studio.

Why Choose Us

Benefits

- FREE Onward Card
- Multiple options of work experience
- Analysis of BTEC games focusing on developing individuals & team performance (veo)
- Lunch options at Poolfoot Farm
- Represent Fleetwood Town nationally & regionally in EFL CEFA league & cup competitions
- Bursaries available (means tested)
- Chances to complete FA Courses

What makes us different?

- Gain your qualification in an elite environment
- Train at the multi million pound campus Poolfoot Farm
- First hand work experience at a professional club and forward thinking Community Trust
- Small group cohorts to provide support through your programme
- Highly qualified teaching / coaching staff.

in 2023-2024

97%
of our learners
achieved above
their predicted
grade

in 2023-2024

94%
of our learners
progressed to
University/
Employment

Educate

Here at Fleetwood Town Sports College, we look to equip each individual with social, employability and life skills, which is beneficial for life after college, as well as providing outstanding teaching & learning throughout your course.

Train

Next, with a focused coaching and games programme, we look to develop key skills both on and off the pitch.

Succeed

Finally, we look to motivate and inspire individuals to achieve to the best of their ability and give them the best opportunities for life after college.

Progression visual

**BTEC LEVEL 2
& 3 IN SPORT**



**FOUNDATION
DEGREE
OR OTHER
UNIVERSITY**



CAREER



Enrichment & Education Programme

Boy's Football Programme



The football programme allows students to train each day and compete in either the EFL's CEFA, or AoC, league and cup. All students are coached by UEFA and FA qualified coaches, with a vast array of experience in the game at various levels. We work with both male and female players individually, and as a team, on their technical and tactical ability whilst developing their understanding of the game.

Both the male and female teams have a specifically designed coaching programme and all have designated coaches to support and motivate them towards their set goals.



Girls's Football Programme



Enrichment

We endeavour to make your time at college a positive experience, and one way we can do this is within our enrichment programme. This can consist of:

- **Student Council** – students are nominated into the council and act as a voice for their fellow students on ways to positively improve your time with us + organise events.
- **Residential Trips** - This is something we are always looking to provide for our students as we believe that visiting different places/venues can really enhance your life skills. Trips in the past have included: Spain, London, Cardiff and various outdoor activity days.
- **Work Experience** - As part of your course here you'll be expected to do work experience. This is invaluable for anyone wanting to have a career in the sporting industry, and your tutors will act as mentors to find you suitable placements.
- **Other sport activities** - We don't just deliver football throughout the course, and tutors have experience in delivering a range of sports at different levels offering the opportunity to do a variety of sports. These sessions may be put in place as part of your recovery, but also delivered within your qualification.

Football Training Programme

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur
Technical / Tactical skills, small sided games	Technical / Tactical, Match Preparation	GAME DAY	Recovery, analysis, other sports



Parent & Guardian **Need to Know's**

How do we get a training kit?

We will ask you to complete a form to order your kit on your interview/enrolment. We ask for a subsidised payment with the CT covering the remainder of the cost.

Do we have to wear a training kit?

If students are participating in the football teams, we do expect them to wear the training kit for football specific training sessions and on matchday.

Can we apply for a bursary?

Yes, all students have the opportunity to apply for a bursary. Students can get financial help to support them throughout their studies with us.

How many hours of training do we do?

- 3 hours of match specific training
- Match day
- 1 hour recovery/other sports

What qualification will I come out with?

Depending on your GCSE grades you will be enrolled on either;

- Level 2 BTEC Diploma in Sports Industry Skills (Leading Childrens Sports Activities)
- Level 3 BTEC Diploma in Sport Coaching & Development
- Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport Coaching & Development

What are my options after finishing college?

- University – either our own Foundation Degree OR other universities
- Potential scholarships to America
- Careers in different sectors of the sports and leisure industry
- Apprenticeship Opportunities

Do we get to compete in fixtures?

All students have the chance to represent Fleetwood Town. We currently have 2 male teams and 1 female team playing in the EFL's CEFA league and the AOC Sports college league. We also enter a cup competition for all teams.

Who do we play against in these fixtures?

Just to name a few, we compete against; Blackpool, Preston NE, Blackburn, Manchester City, Stoke, Accrington, Sheffield United, Tranmere Rovers, Scunthorpe, Nottingham Forest, Everton, Newcastle United & Derby County

How are you different to other colleges in the area?

As we are based at Poolfoot Farm, home of FTFC 1st team and Academy, we enable students to learn, work and play in an elite environment. Being so close to the professional football club, we can provide excellent work experience opportunities and the chance to work alongside and learn from experienced professionals. Not only do we provide experience, but we also look to develop students into paid work – most notably within the Community Trust as sports coaches.



Work Experience

At Fleetwood Town Community Sports College, our students are provided with the opportunities to enter employment or higher education within the world of sport and leisure. Former students have either successfully applied to go to university to study Sports Coaching or Sports Therapy or have secured full time employment within the sporting sector.

The carefully selected modules within this course will allow students to sample a variety of fields within the sports industry and learn about potential career pathways.

In addition to this, our students will have the opportunity to gain hands-on experience throughout the duration of the course. We feel the work experience on offer at Fleetwood Town provides our students with unique career development opportunities within the sport and leisure industry that cannot be experienced at other colleges.

Through getting to know our students, we are able to tailor work experience and placement opportunities around each individual. This involves regular discussions with each student around their aspirations within their two-year programme, and we ensure that the placements provided to them meet their personal goals.

We have been able to provide our students with a variety of different work placement opportunities with just a few to mention below:

- Analysis opportunities
- Coaching opportunities with Fleetwood Town Community Trust in primary schools, development sessions and sport camps
- Coaching opportunities with local grassroots teams
- Physiotherapy opportunities
- Talent ID opportunities
- Media opportunities
- Referee opportunities with local school competitions / wyre schools partnership
- Management & business opportunities
- Fitness instructor/personal training placements



Case Studies

Harrison Brice (Second Year BTEC Student) -

Joining the college in 2023 has been one of the best decisions I have ever made, all tutors have made me feel really welcome since joining and have helped me to enjoy every moment of it.

The education and football side of the course is outstanding!

Chelsea Hopkins (BTEC Graduate & Y1 Degree Student) - I joined the college in September 2022, and it was by far the best choice I have ever made.

I have learned a lot of new things in the classroom and on the pitch which has made a huge impact on my personal development.

The tutors have always been really supportive with everything and have made me feel more confident.

This has encouraged me to get a job here at the community trust, take on different opportunities and even start and enrol of the university degree program here too.

Spencer Seddon (BTEC and Degree Graduate) -

Fleetwood Town Sports College and the USW degree program have been instrumental in shaping both my personal and professional life.

Through the college, I gained valuable hands-on experience and practical skills in the sports industry, while the USW degree programme provided me with a strong academic foundation and specialised knowledge.

This combination of education and real-world experience has not only boosted my confidence but also enhanced my employability, opening doors to various career opportunities and helping me secure meaningful employment at the Community Trust as Football Development Co-ordinator and Football Coach for the Sports College.



Further Education (16-18)



BTEC Level 2 in Sports Industry Skills (Leading Childrens Sport Activities)

The purpose of the BTEC Level 2 programme is to bridge the gap from leaving secondary education in order for them to be fully equipped to progress onto the BTEC Level 3.

This course allows learners the time to develop skills and prepare them to be able to work in the sport and leisure industry. On the Level 2 programme, you will be given support on all

areas of the course, and benefit from small group teaching.

Modules you will study on this one year course:

- Working in the Sport & Leisure Industry
- Physical & Sports Education in School & Community Settings
- Sports Leadership
- Working as a Sports Leader

Entry Requirements

You must achieve at least three GCSE's at grade 3 or equivalent

Within any of our BTEC courses, if you have not achieved a grade 4 in your maths and English, you will resit these as part of your course. This will not affect you studying, or playing and you will be given a designated teacher to allow you to achieve in these areas.

BTEC Level 3 in Sport Coaching & Development

Our BTEC Level 3 programme continues to grow, not only with our numbers of students, but with our quality of teaching provision.

Here at the Community Sports College, we endeavour to provide all our students the best experience possible – whether that is pastoral support, innovative teaching & learning practices, unmatched work experience opportunities, and an environment that is fully supportive of making them the best person they can be. We have high standards at the college relating to behaviour and provide excellent working relationships to enhance them in the

teamwork, leadership and confidence.

Modules you will study on this one year course:

- Careers in the Sport and Active Leisure Industry
- Health, Wellbeing and Sport
- Developing Coaching Skills
- Applied Coaching Skills
- Research Project in Sport
- Sport Development
- Self-employment in Sport and Physical Activity
- Sports Industries
- Rules, Regulations and Officiating in Sport
- Nutrition for sport
- Influence of Technology in Sport and Physical Activity
- Organising Events in Sport and Physical Activity

BTEC Level 3 in Sport Coaching & Development

You must achieve at least 4 grade 4's at GCSE or equivalent

Or hold a BTEC Level 2 in Sport

BTEC Level 3 Extended in Sport Coaching & Development

You must achieve at least 5 grade 4's at GCSE or equivalent

These grades must include Maths & English

Our course is completely free to UK residents and the only additional cost we ask is for a contribution to their training kit.

Higher Education (18+)

We have partnered with University of South Wales (USW) and The EFL Trust to offer a Foundation Degree in Sports Coaching & Development.

The course will be delivered by lectures, at Poolfoot Farm. There will be further opportunity to apply your knowledge with and extensive work-based learning programme which will be provided by the Community Trust.

As part of this course each year you will take part in residential trips to the USW campus in Cardiff. Travel and accommodation will be included within your course, these dates are mandatory.

Also included in this course is the opportunity to gain your **Introduction to Coaching Football, UEFA C, and Level 2 Multi-Skills.**

You can apply for a student loan to support you whilst you are studying, which includes tuition fee loan and a maintenance loan.

Modules Include;

1st Year

- Introduction to Sports Development
- Introduction to Sports Coaching
- Introduction to Sports Science for Coaching
- Academic research & Study Skills
- Managing Sport
- Reflection of Learning in the Workplace

2nd Year

- Community Sports Development
- Sports Coaching & Leadership
- PE & Community School Sport
- Sport Placement
- Project Operations Management

Top Up

- Applied Professional Project
- Strategic Sports Development
- Critical Issues in Sports Coaching & Development
- Creatively Teaching Physical Education, Health & Wellbeing
- Leadership in Sport

Further & Higher Education Qualification Breakdown

Age	Prerequisites	Options Available	Qualification Gained
16 - 18	3 GCSE's	BTEC Level 2 in Sport	Pass - Distinction
16 - 18	4 A-C (4-9) GCSE or Equivalent	BTEC Diploma in Sport	PP - D*D*
16 - 18	4 A-C (4-9) GCSE Including Maths and English or Equivalent	BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport	PPP - D*D*D*
18+	BTEC Extended or Diploma in Sport or Equivalent	Foundation Degree in Sport Coaching & Development	1st, 2.1, 2.2 or 3rd
18+	Foundation Degree in Sport Coaching & Development Foundation Degree in Sport Management & Business	BSc (Hons) Top up Sport Coaching & Development	1st, 2.1, 2.2 or 3rd



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How To Apply

If you're looking to develop your skills both on and off the pitch, and enhance your career within the sports industry, please scan the QR to fill out the expression of interest form:



Alternatively you can email ross.powell@fleetwoodtownfc.com where we will send you an expression of interest form and arrange an interview or tour around our campus.

