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HIGHER EDUCATION FAQs

What is a Foundation Degree?

A Foundation Degree is the first two years of a BA or BSc (Hons) degree. Year 1 represents Level 4 and year 2 represents Level 5, after which students graduate with a Foundation Degree (FdA). Graduates can then continue to study for a further year to gain a full honours degree of their choice if they wish.

The Foundation Degrees delivered at Cardinal Newman College all relate to specific industries and are ideal if you're unsure about taking a full degree, if you want to study while you work, you have a job which you don't want to give up or you are looking for alternative ways to achieve a degree.

Our Foundation Degrees are work-based, so students work or volunteer alongside their studies, combining academic and workplace skills. Students can be working in or towards a course related role, while they study to gain professional and technical skills to further their career.

How many hours do I have to work/volunteer alongside?

All teaching, learning and assessment of our degrees evolve from the work place experiences of students. Modules are designed to enable the exploration of concepts relating to practice, it is therefore, really important for our HE students to have regular experiences in a related work place so they are able to apply theory to their practice and develop a deeper understanding. Some, but not all of our degrees have specified work place hours that must be completed. Specific course details relating to each of our degrees can be found on our website: www.cardinalnewman.ac.uk/universitycourses

Will all students be 19 years old?

No, as our Foundation Degrees are work-based and relate closely to professional practice, they are available to and are an attractive option for everyone. As many of our HE students use our work-based approach to progress their career, for example to become a teacher, they are equally popular with students progressing from Level 3 and adults returning to education, some of whom have experience in industry whilst others are looking for a change in career. All of our Foundation Degrees have a Higher Education study skills module which supports the academic progress of all students.

Does my workplace have to pay anything or complete any assessments or paperwork?

No, all our courses can be fully funded through the Student Loans Company, including the course fees which are £5,995 per annum. Alternatively some students prefer to pay their own fees.

The only requirement of a workplace is for them to release a student on Wednesday afternoons as teaching begins at 1.30pm. We do encourage our students to find someone in their organisation that they can talk to about studying for their degree, however, other than being supportive in terms of listening to and sharing ideas, there is no work place assessment required.

What is the deadline to apply and do I apply through UCAS?

Applications for degrees delivered at Cardinal Newman College do not go through UCAS. Applicants simply download an application form at www.cardinalnewman.ac.uk/universitycourses and send the completed form to: **HE Admissions, Cardinal Newman College, Larkhill Road, Preston, Lancashire, PR1 4HD**, alternatively forms can be emailed to: admissions@cardinalnewman.ac.uk

Applications are then received by the HE team providing the opportunity for applicants to receive bespoke information, advice and guidance relating to their application. There is no deadline for receiving applications however we have a series of information, induction and interview events in the months leading up to the degree starting, which students find really helpful and reassuring.

If you only attend university one day a week, is it a proper degree?

Yes, all of our degrees have been successfully and thoroughly validated by a University either Middlesex, or the University of Central Lancashire. As a validated partner, Cardinal Newman College works in partnership with each university, adhering to their academic regulations and following their specific quality assurance processes. All teaching, learning and assessment is undertaken at Cardinal Newman College but the final degree is awarded by the validating University.

We are committed to our work-based degrees and to supporting our HE students to gain or continue in their employment or volunteer position alongside studying. Therefore, we have constructed our degrees to enable just one contact day and a 33 week per year delivery model, to ensure the degrees are less intrusive to the workplace. As our academic year is longer than at a University, study hours are comparable.

ADVICE EVENINGS

For specific course details and to find out more about our University courses visit our website or come along to one of our Advice Evenings in the St Augustine building at Cardinal Newman College from 5.30pm - 7.00pm on any of the following dates:

- Wednesday 27th February 2019
- Wednesday 27th March 2019
- Wednesday 1st May 2019
- Wednesday 5th June 2019
- Wednesday 12th June 2019
- Wednesday 19th June 2019
- Wednesday 26th June 2019
- Wednesday 3rd July 2019

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