

International Prospectus





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Choose Sheffield



Choose Sheffield, a brilliant location Sheffield is located right in the centre of the UK, meaning that nothing is ever very far away. From Sheffield you are within reach of cultural highlights such as York and Stratford upon Avon, while London is just two hours away.

Choose Sheffield, the friendly city

Sheffield is well known for being one of the most relaxed and friendly cities in the UK.

Choose Sheffield, the safe city

Sheffield regularly tops the charts for being one of the safest cities in the UK.

Choose Sheffield, the green city

Sheffield is the greenest city in Europe. It is estimated that Sheffield has over two million trees, more per person than any other city in Europe; there are 150 woodlands, 50 public parks and the award winning Winter Garden. Sheffield is on the edge of the stunning Peak District National Park.

Choose Sheffield, the student city

Alongside our College, the city is home to two of the UKs largest universities, making it one of the country's most in-demand student destinations. Once students arrive they enjoy the experience so much that more students stay on to live and work here than in any other city outside London.

Choose Sheffield, the value for money city

Sheffield regularly comes out as one of the cheapest places to live for students in the UK.

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Mim Woolley, International Administrator

Mim can help with accommodation, visa applications, enrolment and payment. The International Office looks after your welfare while you are studying with us and will also help with things such as, opening a bank account or registering with a local doctor.

The International Office

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- Mim Woolley is the International Administrator.
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Accommodation

You have a choice of living with a host family, going into student accommodation or renting private accommodation.

The International Office will help you decide which is best for you: if you are under 18 we would advise you to go into a host family and would need consent from your parents or guardians if you decided not.

Host families

Homestay accommodation includes bed, breakfast, evening meal, washing and all meals at the weekend.

The International Office can help with self-catering accommodation.

Student Accommodation

If you want Student Accommodation, we can arrange this with Norfolk Park Student Village.

The International Office can advise you on what is available locally to rent.

Choose Sheffield



Olga Saxton from the Czech Republic

"Just a quick word about Sheffield City College and the International English course... I've spent one year at the College and it has been the most amazing experience of my life.

"The people are very friendly and willing to help. Also, I'd like to say thanks to all my teachers. They are absolutely brilliant! They have helped me to improve my grammar and pass my PET exam. My certificate is now on my bedroom wall."



Mohammed Islam from Pakistan

"I like studying at Sheffield City College because it has good teachers, who are very friendly. I am learning more and more each day. I think studying here will help me in the future."



Youngsun Park from Korea

"I came from Korea to study English and decided to come to Sheffield City College after looking elsewhere. The College has good facilities and useful courses.

"Every teacher has a passion for teaching and are kind to the students. Also, on the course you make lots of friends from different countries. This will be a fantastic experience if you wanted to come here. My English skills are continuously improving."

Choose Sheffield for the Experience

Tips from last year's students on what you could do when you come to Sheffield:

"Visit Ponds Forge International Leisure Centre for sports activities."

"Visit the Botanical Gardens, Ecclesall Road and other parks around the city."

"Look out for concerts at the Arena and Sheffield City Hall."

"Go to the Leadmill (nightclub) near the railway station."

"Look out for the Crucible and Lyceum theatre programmes."

"Visit the Cinemas; Cineworld Sheffield, The Valley Centertainment - Sheffield, Odeon - Sheffield city centre, VUE – Meadowhall, The Showroom – Paternoster Row (often showing international films)."

"Visit the museums and art galleries, especially the Millennium Gallery on Arundel Gate and Graves Art Gallery above the Central Library."

"Go shopping – visit Meadowhall, for a wide range of shops and eating places and a cinema, or visit The Moor and Orchard Square Shopping in Sheffield city centre."

"Go ten-pin bowling at Hollywood Bowl at The Valley Centertainment."

"Visit the countryside – get a bus or train and visit interesting towns and villages like Buxton, Bakewell, Castleton and Hathersage in the Peak District – which are all very English!"

"Visit the World Snooker Championships held at The Crucible Theatre in April."

"Try ice-skating at Ice Sheffield near Don Valley Stadium."

"Try Skiing or Snowboarding at the Ski Village (Dry Ski Slope)."

"For live music try The Plug (Matilda Street)."











Choose Sheffield for the Culture

Whilst you're here join the cultural programme for a wide range of trips organised for you by the City of Sheffield International College, for example:



Derbyshire

- Chatsworth
- Lake District
- York
- London
- Stratford Upon Avon
- Oxford
- Cambridge
- Liverpool
- Manchester United





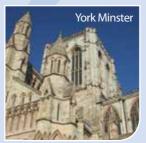












Choose Sheffield for Outstanding Facilities

City of Sheffield International College is part of The Sheffield College, one of the largest colleges in the UK. The College is the choice of over 20,000 students per year who come from over 60 different countries.

City of Sheffield International College comprises; Sheffield City College, Hillsborough College, Norton College, Peaks College and the Online College.

Our award winning staff and students are based across Sheffield at four main sites.

Sheffield City College is at the heart of the city and comprises a new landmark building, with outstanding and inspirational facilities.

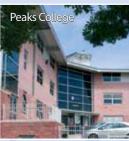
Hillsborough College is in the north of the city and offers excellent learning and recreational facilities and a broad choice of academic, vocational and professional qualifications, including A Levels.

Norton College and Peaks College are in the south of Sheffield and provide traditional academic courses and A Levels as well as popular vocational courses such as media, dance and performing arts.

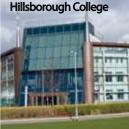
The Online College is a virtual college providing an increasing range of courses via e-learning to learners from all over the world.











All courses are taught by experienced practitioners and lead to nationally and internationally recognised qualifications.

Entry requirements are set to ensure you choose a course that's right for you.

For courses in English you will be assessed to find the right level to match your ability.

General entry requirements for vocational and academic courses are:

- Advanced level course entry requires students to have passed 5 GCSEs or equivalent.
- Higher level course entry requires students to have passed an advanced level programme of study.
- For vocational programmes students need to demonstrate that they have the skills required to successfully complete the course.

If you aren't sure if you meet the entry requirements, don't worry, we'll help you to make the right choice.









International English

The International English team is made up of highly qualified and experienced teachers. All of our courses are accredited by the British Council. If you need to improve your English language skills we offer a range of courses to help you. We will assess your English to decide which level you are and then we will offer you an appropriate course.

Courses run throughout the year and you can join a course at any time. There are two strands of English study to choose from:

General English

There are four levels of General English: Elementary, Pre-Intermediate, Intermediate and Advanced. You will study a range of topics and develop all four skills - reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Academic English

These courses are primarily for students who want to study at university and need to improve their IELTS score. You will develop all four study skills - reading, writing, speaking and listening. A typical day is 3 hours general or academic English in the morning, then 1.5 hours of either skills development or IELTS in the afternoon.

A full-time course consists of 18 hours per week, usually spread over 4 days. A part-time course consists of 12 hours, usually 4 mornings. A part-time evening course is 3 hours for Cambridge examinations and 4 hours for IFLTS.

During a recent British Council visit, the department was commended for its range of academic resources.

Every full-time student has a personal tutor who will help with issues relating to studies of your life in general.

The Sheffield College is a Highly Trusted Sponsor of International Students.

Latest results:

100% of students passed the Trinity speaking exams.

100% of international students passed their numeracy exams.







Vocational Courses

Vocational courses prepare you for the world of work through a combination of theory and hands-on, practical experience.

- Animal Care
- Art and Design
- Aviation
- Beauty Therapy
- Chef's Diploma
- Childcare and Education
- Civil Engineering
- Construction
- Dental Technician
- Engineering
- Enterprise and Entrepreneurship
- Graphic Design
- Hairdressing
- Health and Social Care
- Holistic Therapy
- Hospitality
- Information Technology
- Journalism
- Media Make Up
- Media Production
- Performing Arts Acting
- Photography
- Retail Business
- Science Applied (with Forensics)
- Sport
- Travel and Tourism









In 2009-10
The Sheffield
College GCSE A2
Level pass rate
for 16-18 year
old students was
96%

GCE A Levels

A Levels are the essential qualification for students who wish to continue with academic studies.

- Accounts
- Arabic
- Art & Design
- Biology
- Business Studies
- Chemistry
- Computer Studies
- Critical Thinking
- Economics
- English Language
- English Language & Literature
- English Literature
- Film Studies
- French
- Geography
- German
- Government & Politics
- Graphic Design
- History
- ICT Applied
- Law
- Maths
- Maths Further
- Media Studies
- Photography
- Physics
- Psychology
- Russian
- Science
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Sport & Physical Education
- Theatre Studies

International Foundation Diploma courses

International Foundation Diploma course (also known as Access to Higher Education Diploma) is accredited and is widely recognised by universities in the UK.

- Art and Design
- Business
- Computing
- Engineering
- Health Science
- Humanities, English and Social Science
- Photography
- Social Studies and Humanities
- Sport









Higher Education Courses

Our higher education programmes are:

HNCs and HNDs

- Animal Management HND
- Civil Engineering HNC
- Civil Engineering HND
- Construction HNC
- Fashion Accessories HNC
- Production Engineering
- Science

Foundation Degrees

- Business Management & Enterprise
- eBusiness and Management
- eCommunications
- Fashion Design & Manufacture
- Graphic Design
- Media Production
- Performing Arts
- Photography
- Public Services: Policing Studies
- Sport Coaching & Exercise
- Tourism & Events Management

HE Foundation Programmes

- Engineering Sheffield Hallam University
- Medical Foundation Programme University of Sheffield

Other HE Programmes

- Certificate in Education Year 1
- Journalism NCTJ Diploma







Choose your English Language Support

If you are studying at Advanced or Higher levels we recommend you choose an English language support programme.

Benefits of an English Language support programme are:

- one-to-one coaching from a qualified language professional
- specialised help with technical language related to your subject

There are several options available for English Language support including 1-1 or small group tuition. This support is available throughout the year.

"This will be a fantastic experience if you wanted to come here. My English skills are continuously improving."

Youngsun Park International student from Korea studying at The Sheffield College

Choose your Accommodation

There are two main choices of accommodation:

- 1 Homestay
- 2 Self Catering

Homestay

Many students prefer to stay with a family when they first come to England as this gives an opportunity to learn more about the British way of life, as well as a chance to practise English.

We will arrange homestay accommodation for you, prior to your arrival in Sheffield.

Homestay accommodation includes bed, breakfast, evening meal, washing and all meals at the weekend.

PLEASE NOTE - Students under the age of 18 must stay with a host family unless written permission is received from a parent/guardian.

Self Catering

There are a number of providers of self-catering accommodation specifically for students. Details are available from our website.













