



Course
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Welcome

I am delighted to continue Strode's proud tradition of excellence and opportunity. As Principal, my aim is to ensure every student thrives - supported, challenged, and inspired to reach their full potential.

Strode's is a college with a rich heritage and a vibrant future, where outstanding teaching and exceptional student experiences come together.

Whether your passion lies in A Levels, vocational study, or creative pursuits, you will find a place here where ambition is nurtured and success is celebrated.

Sinead O' Donoghue
Principal



At Strode's, your success is our priority. From your first visit and open evening, to your very first day of learning, we'll support you every step of the way as you choose the right course and take the next step towards your future.

Our wide range of academic and vocational programmes are designed to help you progress, achieve your goals and enjoy your learning experience along the way.

We are proud of our inclusive, supportive community, where every student is valued and treated as an individual. Our dedicated staff are passionate about helping you reach your full potential, both inside and outside the classroom.

Strode's is more than just a place to learn, it's a vibrant sixth form experience, full of opportunities to grow, explore new interests and prepare for life beyond College.

I warmly invite you to visit one of our open events, meet our staff and students and discover all that Strode's has to offer.

Gillian May
Group Principal and CEO



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www.strodes.ac.uk

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Information within this guide is correct at the time of going to print.

Please be aware that some course delivery may take place off campus and between The Windsor Forest Colleges Group sites.



How to Apply

Your Step-by-step Guide to Studying at Strode's

Step 1: Choose Your Course

We offer a wide range of courses at all levels – if you're still not sure, give us a call on **01753 793288** or email **admissions@windsor-forest.ac.uk** for independent advice.

Step 2: Apply

Apply online at **www.strodes.ac.uk/study/**
You will receive an email to confirm we have received your application.

Step 3: Attend Your Interview

You will be invited to book an interview, where you will discuss your course choice and plans for the future. This will also give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have too.

Step 4: Offer

Following a successful interview, you will be made a conditional offer via email.

Please note: This can take up to 14 days to accept your conditional offer, please log back into your Student Portal. You need to accept your offer to receive your invitation to enrolment.

Step 5: Enrol

You will be sent steps on how to enrol onto your chosen course the summer before you start with us and you will need your exam results to be able to enrol in August. If your results are better than expected or you didn't do as well as you hoped, please do not worry, we can find a suitable alternative for you.

Step 6: Start College

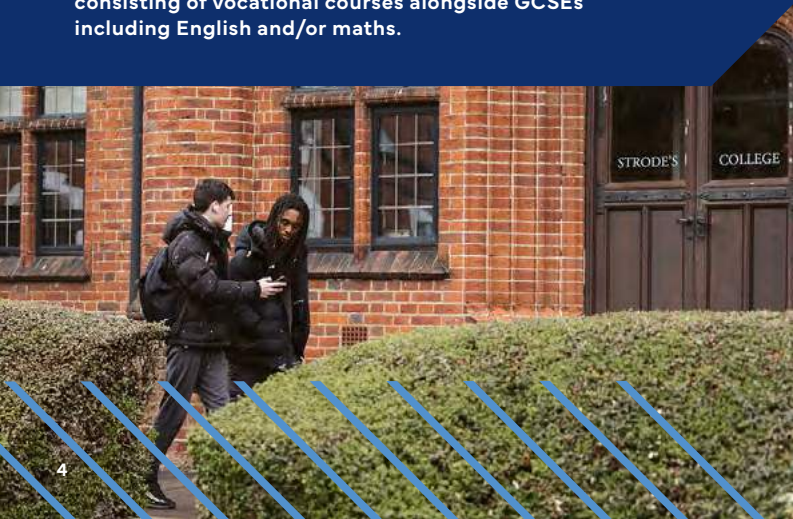
We look forward to welcoming you in September!

Study Programme

If you're aged 16–19, you will follow a study programme to help you develop academically, practically and personally.

Study programmes are designed to meet students' individual learning needs and includes all the elements that make up their individual timetable at the College. We want you to be confident and ready to meet the demands of learning, work and life.

Our students typically study three A Levels, a full or mixed vocational programme equivalent to three A Levels or a T Level. Level 2 students will complete a programme consisting of vocational courses alongside GCSEs including English and/or maths.



Choose the Right Course

A Minimum of Five GCSEs Grade 4 & Above

Including English and maths. You must also meet the specific subject entry requirements.

Your Options at Strode's:

A Level Programme:

Two year study programme of three A Levels.

Mixed Programme:

Two year study programme of A Levels and Level 3 vocational or Industry ready study programme.

T Level:

Two year study programme with an industry placement.

A Minimum of Four GCSEs Grade 4 & Above

Including English and maths. You must also meet the specific subject entry requirements.

Your Options at Strode's:

Level 3 Programme in any combination for two years.

Less than Four GCSEs

Minimum of three grade 3s and one grade 2 including English or maths at grade 3.

Your Options at Strode's:

Level 2 Programme including English and/or maths for one year.

Your Progression

A Level Programme:

Two year study programme of three A Levels.

Mixed Programme:

Two year study programme of A Levels and Level 3 Programme or Industry ready study programme.

T Level:

Two year study programme with an industry placement.

Qualifications Offered

T Levels

Equivalent to 3 A Levels. Blend classroom study with a substantial industry placement to develop sector-specific knowledge and skills.

BTECs

Practical, career-focused qualifications assessed mainly through coursework and projects. Prepare for university, apprenticeships or work in specialist fields.

Apprenticeships

Work and earn while you train from age 16+. Gain hands-on experience and recognised qualifications in your chosen career.

A Levels

Academic qualifications offering a range of subjects, ideal for students planning to progress to university or higher-level study.

Level 2 Programme

The Level 2 programme at Strode's College is designed as a foundation year to help students progress onto Level 3 programmes. This one-year course is available in various fields, providing students with a strong base in both academic and practical knowledge. The programme includes essential subjects like English and/or maths, ensuring that students meet the necessary prerequisites for advancing to higher levels of study. This foundational year is crucial for students who have achieved less than four GCSEs, as it helps bridge any gaps in their education and prepares them for more specialized studies at Level 3. See page 21 for subjects.

BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma	T Level Grade	A Level Grades	UCAS Points
D* D* D*	Distinction*	A* A* A*	168
D* D* D		A* A* A	160
D* D D		A* A A	152
D D D	Distinction	A A A	144
D D M		A A C	128
	Merit		120
D M M		A C C	112
M M M	Pass (C or above on the core)	C C C	96
M M P		C C E	80
	Pass (D or E on the core)		72
M P P		C E E	64
P P P		E E E	48

Beyond the Classroom



Duke of Edinburgh

Build confidence, resilience skills, team working and demonstrate your resourceful side. Add value to your UCAS application and CV.



Elite Athletes

We are a Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme (TASS) accredited College providing support to help our talented students balance the demand of high level training alongside College study.



The Gold Arts Award

This Level 3 qualification is worth 16 UCAS points and will benefit those students aiming for art/drama school or university by showcasing a specialism outside of College.

Coming to Strode's will give you the chance to develop your skills through a range of extra curricular activities. These activities will allow you to make new friends, have fun and develop transferable skills to enhance your CV or UCAS personal statement.

We want to enrich your studies and further deepen your learning and understanding but we also want to give you every opportunity to enjoy new experiences and broaden your horizons. Our goal is that when you progress from Strode's, you do so as self assured and confident young adults.

Qualification (EPQ)

Boost your UCAS points with the EPQ (worth half an A Level). Choose a topic you love and showcase your independent research skills.

Student Union Executive

Join our active SU to represent student voices and enjoy a range of opportunities and activities to enrich your College experience.

Cooper's Apprenticeship

Strode's College has a historic partnership with the Worshipful Company of Coopers, which supports various college functions and attends the annual prize-giving. Annually, one student becomes an Apprentice to the Master, offering mentorship and entry to networking events. This role includes ceremonial duties and potential for career advancement in service industries.

National Competitions

Our students excel in challenges like the Chemistry Olympiad, UK Senior Maths Challenge, NSEC and British Display Society Interior Design competitions.



Trips & Visits

Enjoy national and international trips that enhance your learning and broaden your horizons.



Sport

There's an exciting sports programme and extensive facilities at Strode's. There are sports pitches, hall, courts and a well-equipped fitness suite. Regular competitions and additional personal fitness qualifications are also available.

Guest Speakers & Master Classes

Gain insights from keynote speakers and experts to deepen your understanding of key topics.

Study Plus+

This programme enriches learning beyond the classroom with tasks and activities to develop independence, proactivity, and academic excellence.

Aspire

A specialist programme supporting applications to top universities and high-tariff courses at universities such as Oxford and Cambridge. It also uses Unifrog to help with UCAS statements, careers and apprenticeship planning.

Supporting You

The physical and mental wellbeing of our students is extremely important to us, so we provide a number of support services to help.



Safeguarding

It is important to us that everyone feels safe while at college. Our safeguarding team help students make good decisions and offer a range of advice from digital safety, radicalisation, neglect, to homelessness, mental health and personal safety.

Counselling

The College provides a fully qualified counsellor that can be accessed during the College day.

Health & Wellbeing

We provide help and information about staying healthy with a range of services and advice for your wellbeing and safety.

Careers & Employability

Our accredited team is always on hand to offer impartial and confidential advice and guidance on courses, careers and training.

Personal Support Services

You are a name, not a number at Strode's College and we are dedicated to helping you achieve your potential.

Personal Tutors

You will have a tutor who will play a central role in supporting your progress at sixth form. Group tutorials and one-to-one meetings will help keep you on track with your studies as well as helping you plan for life after College.

Learning Support

The Learning Support team are there to help with literacy and numeracy skills, provide you with expert support with dyslexia and dyspraxia, support time management, revision skills, essay writing, assistive technology and access arrangements.

Exam Arrangements

We know that some students will require special arrangements when taking exams and support can be provided, post assessment, in accordance with awarding bodies' guidelines. Dependent upon assessment results, scribes and readers may be supplied and assistive equipment may be borrowed.

Financial Support

For those from low household income families, the College offers financial support for the compulsory costs associated with your course.

Please email us for information about support at the College.
studentservices.sixthform@windsor-forest.ac.uk

Art, Design & Media

Course Areas

3D Design

Photography

Fine Art

Graphic
Communication

Film Studies

Media Studies

Film Making

Creative Media
Production

Art, Design &
Communication

Art & Design

Content Creation
& Production



Find out more
[www.strodes.ac.uk/study/
subjects/art-design-media/](http://www.strodes.ac.uk/study/subjects/art-design-media/)

Business, I.T Marketing & Travel

Course Areas

Computer Science

Business Studies

Economics

I.T

Marketing

Travel & Tourism



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subjects/business-courses/](http://www.strodes.ac.uk/study/subjects/business-courses/)

Humanities

Course Areas

Geography

Politics

RS

History

Psychology

Sociology

Law



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[www.strodes.ac.uk/study/
subjects/humanities-courses/](http://www.strodes.ac.uk/study/subjects/humanities-courses/)

Languages, Literature & Culture

Course Areas

Classical
Civilisation

English
Language
& Literature

French

Spanish

English
Language

English
Literature

Philosophy



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[www.strodes.ac.uk/study/
subjects/languages-
literature-culture-courses/](http://www.strodes.ac.uk/study/subjects/languages-literature-culture-courses/)

Mathematical Science

Course Areas

Mathematics

Statistics

Further Maths

Engineering

Sciences

Course Areas

Biology

Physics

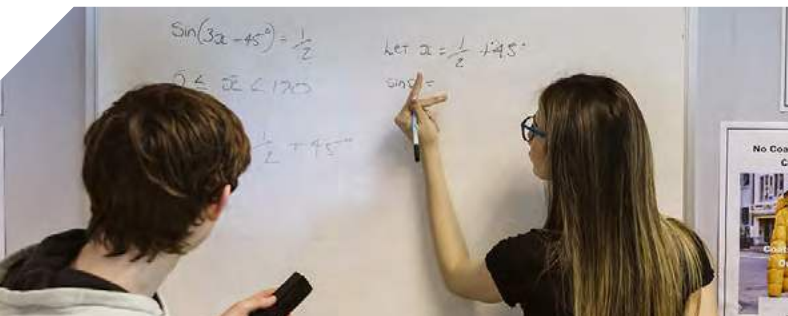
Chemistry

Applied Science

Environmental
Science

Health & Social Care

Medical Science



Find out more
[www.strodes.ac.uk/study/
subjects/mathematics-courses/](http://www.strodes.ac.uk/study/subjects/mathematics-courses/)



Find out more
[www.strodes.ac.uk/
study/](http://www.strodes.ac.uk/study/)

Sports & Performing Arts

Course Areas

Dance

Drama & Theatre Studies

Music Technology

Music

Physical Education

Performing Arts Practice

Preparation for Public Services

Uniform Protective Services

Sports Coaching & Development

Sport & Exercise Science



Find out more
www.strodes.ac.uk/study/

Level 2 Programme

Course Areas

English

Mathematics

Combined Science

Sociology

Business

Creative Digital Media Production

Art & Design

Health & Social Care

Preparation for Public Services



Find out more
www.strodes.ac.uk/study/

Talented Athlete Scholarship Scheme



Start Your Journey



Open Events

Open Days

Thursday 23rd October 2025

Thursday 12th February 2026

Thursday 2nd July 2026

Running from 4:30pm–7pm



Register for an
Open Event

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Surrey, TW20 9DR

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