

**University
Centre Poole**

**Higher
Education**

**Bournemouth
& Poole College**



Largest provider of
courses & apprenticeships in the area

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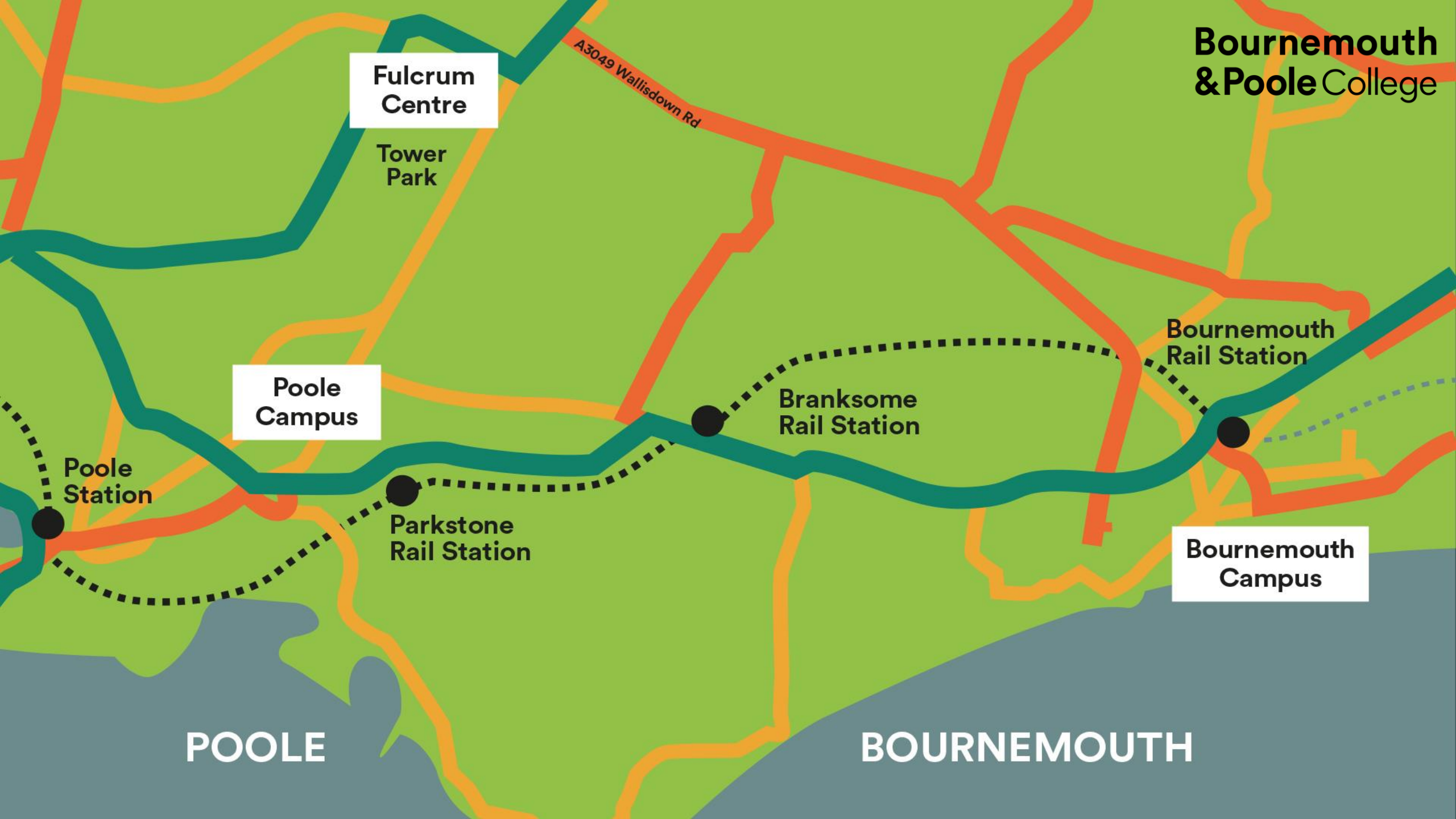
campuses

**Bournemouth
& Poole College**

11,000+
students

On average over 560 students (40:60
full time and part time) study higher
education level courses at the college

Rated Good by
Ofsted in 2025



Fulcrum Centre

Tower Park

Poole Campus

Poole Station

Parkstone Rail Station

Branksome Rail Station

Bournemouth Rail Station

Bournemouth Campus

Bournemouth & Poole College

A3049 Wallisdown Rd

POOLE

BOURNEMOUTH



**Poole
Campus**

**Fulcrum
Centre**



**Bournemouth
Campus**



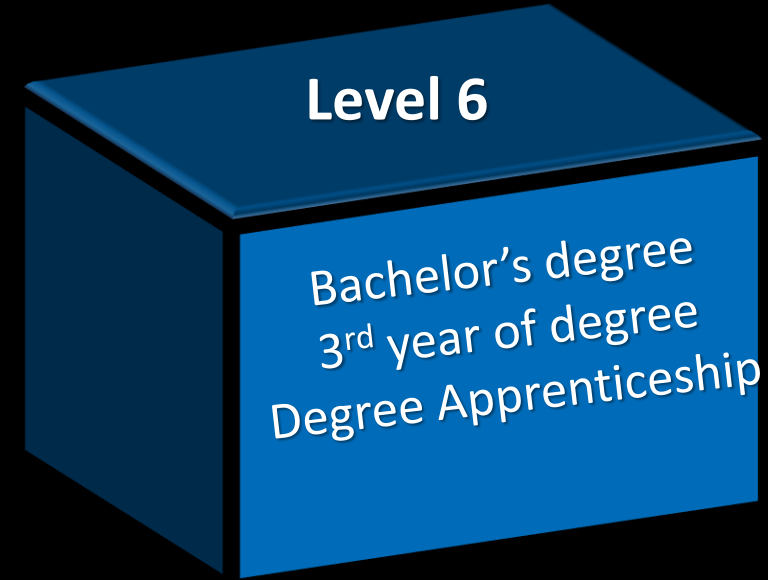
Our University Centre offers fantastic facilities

- Student-friendly comfort zones
- Break-out areas with snug pods
- HE Common room/kitchen
- Animation and IT suites
- Science labs
- Simulated hospital ward
- Engineering/Robotic suite



We offer a range of higher education full-time and part-time study options:

- Higher National Certificates (HNCs)
- Foundation Degrees
- BA (Hons) top-up courses
- Higher & Degree Apprenticeships



Courses Available to Students after Sixth Form:

- Animation (2D and 3D)
- Built Environment (Construction Management or Quantity Surveying)
- Creative Enterprise
- Engineering
- Esports Broadcast and Events
- Health
- Music and Sound Production
- Performing Arts

Over 560
students are
currently
studying HE
courses with us

University partnerships

Our courses are run in partnership with the following universities:

ARTS UNIVERSITY BOURNEMOUTH



**Bournemouth
University**

HSU HEALTH
SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY

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Courses run in partnership with Arts University Bournemouth



- FdA/BA (Hons) Digital Animation & Design Production
- FdA/BA (Hons) Esports Production, Broadcasting & Events
- FdA/BA (Hons) Music & Sound Production
- FdA/BA (Hons) 3D Animation & Visualisation for Film and Games
- FdA/BA (Hons) Performing Arts

Courses run in partnership with Bournemouth University

- HNC in Electronic Design
- HNC in Mechanical Design
- HNC in Manufacturing Management
- HNC in Marine Technologies
- FdEng in Electronic Design
- FdEng in Mechanical Design
- FdEng in Manufacturing Management
- FdEng in Marine Technologies
- BEng (Hons) Product design and development-Mechanical design

Degree Apprenticeships:

- Product Design and Development – Marine Technologies pathway
- Product Design and Development – Mechanical Design pathway
- Manufacturing Engineer – Electronic Design Pathway
- Manufacturing Engineer – Manufacturing Management pathway

- FdSc Nursing Associate Apprenticeship



Courses run in partnership with Health Sciences University



- Assistant Practitioner (Health)
Level 5 Apprenticeship



University partnerships perks:

ARTS UNIVERSITY BOURNEMOUTH



- Use of AUB Library
 - Access to Student Union
 - Freshers Week
 - AUB Student ID card
 - Clubs, societies
- Use of BU Library
 - Access to student union
 - BU ID Student card
 - Access to BU gym at reduced rates
 - BU Campus Sport Programme
- Use of HSU Library

Student Support

The Link provides dedicated support to all students through drop-in sessions and appointments.

- Dedicated inclusion coach (Higher Education study skills including academic writing, research, critical thinking skills, coursework support, exam arrangements).
- Therapy dogs.
- Wellbeing & mental health coaches.
- SENCO - students with disabilities, health conditions, SEND- access to adjustments and support, DSA (disability support allowance).



Careers Advice & Guidance

Support includes:

- 1:2:1 Impartial appointments
- Career Planning
- Advice on CVs and cover letters
- Goal Setting
- Progression Planning and next steps



Student Finance

- Bursaries and support available to eligible students- more information can be found on our website
- Online applications
- Finance officers on campus to provide support and information

Student Engagement & Enrichment

- BPC Students' Union provide a Student Engagement Coach.
- Dedicated social area in University Centre.
- Trips off campus.
- Clubs - football, triathlon, creative, gaming.
- Opportunity to create own clubs and societies.
- Youth Social Action (volunteering projects).



Student Voice



Student Voice is about sharing thoughts, ideas, and experiences to help shape the college community.

Student reps play an essential role in by representing the specific interests and concerns of students in their course.

- **Course reps:** Collect Feedback from their peers and collaborate with other reps. They meet once a term with their programme leader.
- **Senior reps:** Attend student feedback sessions with their directorate, represent their directorate at student parliament and meet with senior leaders of the college to share student voice.

Why study with us?

- Smaller class sizes
- Reduced tuition fees
- We're on your doorstep!
- Amazing facilities - New University Centre - New Music and Animation Studios
- More 1-1 time with tutors
- Excellent pastoral support
- Flexible study options
- Tutors with industry expertise
- Combine study with employment
- Reduced accommodation costs



Degree Apprenticeship Opportunities



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What are the perks of a Degree Apprenticeship?

- Gain a degree qualification.
- Employer pays tuition fees, not the student.
- Get paid while studying.
- Gain valuable years of experience in chosen field.
- Likely to be kept on by employer following completion of course – 97% of our apprentices stay on with their employer or go into further study.



Degree apprenticeship courses we offer:

Level 4: HNC Quantity Surveying, Site Supervisor, Engineering Manufacturing Technician

Level 5: Assistant Practitioner (Health), FdSc Degree Nursing Associate, People Professional

Level 6: Manufacturing Engineer (Electronic design or manufacturing management), Product Design & Development Engineer (Mechanical Design or Marine Technologies)



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Apply to College

- Apply via the BPC website
- Initial checks are completed
- When approved, invite to an interview is sent
- The interview will cover:
 - More detailed information about the training, requirements and the support given by College staff.
 - Advice on how and where to look for an apprenticeship vacancy.
 - Information on entry criteria.
 - Check on prior knowledge.
- Usually, a conditional offer is given dependent on entry criteria being met and finding a job, or a referral to our Advice and Guidance Team is offered.

Apprenticeship Myths

- Apprenticeships are only for those who do not perform well academically.
- Apprentices are poorly paid.
- Apprenticeships are only available for manual or trade jobs.
- Apprentices get given all the boring tasks.
- Apprenticeships are only for school leavers.
- Apprentices have no scope for progression.

Salary

Apprentices are entitled to the same conditions as an employee, dependent on their contract of employment. These include:

- A minimum wage
- Paid holidays
- Sick pay

Apprentices are entitled to earn a wage:

- Currently £7.55 per hour, rising to £8.00 from April 2026 for those under 19 yrs or on the first year of an apprenticeship

Apprentices often go on to well-paid jobs on completion of their training particularly after completing a Degree Apprenticeship.

The minimum wage usually increases each year of the apprenticeship dependent on Government guidelines.

Positives

- Your training is paid for by apprenticeship funding, so unlike with traditional university courses, you won't have to pay for your tuition yourself.
- Earn a salary while training.
- No student loans or debt.
- Skills for life.
- Likely to be employed by employer.

Realities

- An apprenticeship is a full-time job.
- Takes longer to complete than 'traditional' University path.
- Not just an 'easy option'.
- Takes dedication.
- Might not get the 'traditional' University experience.
- Popular - need to stand out - 450 applicants only 200 taken on.

Next Event:

Open Event

**Thurs 7th May
4-7pm**



Contact us:


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My Route to a Degree Apprenticeship

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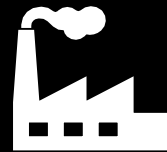
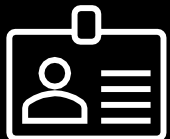
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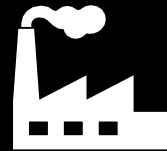
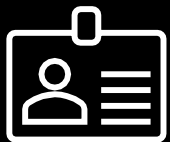


Introduction

- 3rd Year Degree Apprentice (FdEng)
- Electronic Design – Manufacturing Engineering
- Bournemouth and Poole College
- Bournemouth University
- Project Support Engineer
- Charter Tech



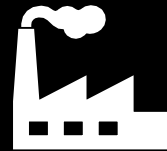
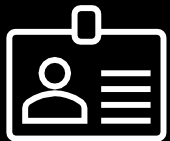
My Pathway



What is a Degree Apprenticeship?

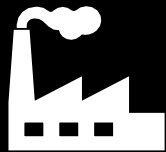
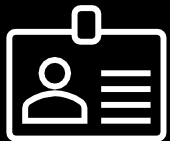
A degree apprenticeship lets you earn a salary, gain work experience, and get a university degree – without paying tuition fees.

80% work
20% study



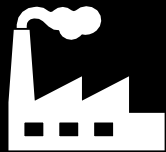
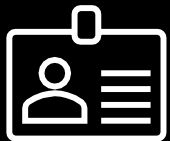
Working Day

- Work on real projects
- Liaise with clients and suppliers
- Technical drawings and documents
- Panel build activities
- PLC programming
- Site installation and commissioning
- NOT making the tea



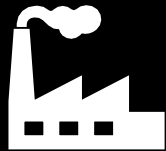
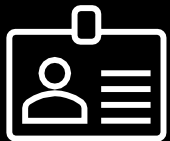
Study Day

- Small class sizes
- Units that link into work
- Learning the “why” to key theories and principles
- Group projects
- Report writing, journal writing, presentations, critical thinking



Pros and Cons

- ✓ Earn while you learn
- ✓ No debt
- ✓ Student discounts!
- ✓ 5 years of work experience
- ✓ Build professional skills
- ✓ Quickly progress within a company
- ✓ Apply what you learn into your work
- ✓ Start your career early
- ✓ Pay into a pension
- × Juggle work and study
- × No uni life
- × Less holiday
- × Discipline required
- × Grow up quick



How to get a Degree Apprenticeship

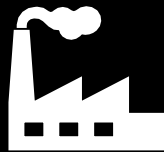
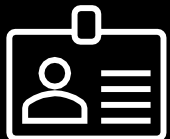
College and University:

- Application forms
- Aptitude Test & Interview
- Find employment

Employment:

- Application forms
- Work Experience
- Email your CV
- Build a relationship

Employers are looking for enthusiasm, drive and potential



Who?

- You prefer hands on learning
- Motivated
- Good time management
- Strong communicator
- Comfortable with responsibility
- Problem solver
- Comfortable with long-term commitment and progression
- Earning while learning
- You have got to want it!

