WAKEFIELD COLLEGE COURSE INFORMATION:

HNC - Photography

In Partnership with Connected Campus and Screen Yorkshire

ART, DESIGN & PHOTOGRAPHY

Wakefield College

START DATE
September 2026

LEVEL
Level 4

STUDY MODE
Full-time

DURATION
1 year

AWARDING BODY
Pearson BTEC

LOCATION
Wakefield College

For further information about this course, including Entry Requirements, Assessments and Further Study, scan the QR code.

Course Overview

This is the first year of a two-year full-time programme at Levels 4 and 5.

In year one you will complete a Higher National Certificate in Art & Design (Photography) at Level 4.

On completion of your Higher National Certificate, you will complete a Higher National Diploma in Art & Design (Photography) at Level 5.

On the Higher National Programme we will encourage and support you to develop your own style and vision in photography, and help you prepare for your future career. If you have a passion for image-making this course will support you by providing learning that develops your practical skills and theoretical knowledge, allowing you to build a thoughtful and visually creative portfolio of work.

Set projects are worked on with support from tutors, peers, and portfolio feedback. We have a selection of client briefs from around the local area, and work closely with visiting professional photographers who provide guest lectures, workshops and portfolio reviews. Throughout the course you will be encouraged to exhibit your work and enter various competitions.

We have an industry standard studio with specialist lighting, up to date digital software and black and white darkroom facilities.

A variety of teaching and learning methods will be used that encourage and facilitate learners' creative and artistic development and bring together, wherever possible, practice and theory.

Methods used will encourage both independent and collaborative learning through use of practical workshops, interactive lectures, resource-based learning, individual and group work, tutorials, discussion and critiques.

Individual or group projects will culminate in exhibitions. Students will critically reflect on their own performance and that of others.

Residentials, visiting professionals, attendance of exhibitions and other related events will be used to broaden learners' concepts and practice.

What You Will Study

- A1: Concept and Development

Need More Information?

For additional course information please contact the Course Information Team on **01924 789111** or email **courseinfo@heartofyorkshire.ac.uk**.

To learn more about Wakefield College, our facilities and how we can support you please visit our website **www.heartofyorkshire.ac.uk**.

Quick Links

How to Apply

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- A2: Creative Project

Attendance Expectations

Two days per week plus occasional evening and weekend shoots.

How You Will Be Assessed

Industry based lecturers will assess based on industry linked live briefs and specifications set in projects to enhance and confirm your knowledge and practice.

Assessment reflects sector practice to ensure you have the tools to follow a career in their chosen specialism.

Entry Requirements

Minimum 64 UCAS tariff points from A Levels.

OR

Level 3 diploma in a related subject.

OR

An Access to Higher Education (19+) qualification.

AND

GCSE at Grade 9-4 in English Language (or equivalent qualification) is required.

Those with previous experience or learning that is relevant may be eligible via our Accredited Prior Learning (APL) process for accreditation towards this course.

All applicants are required to attend an interview, you will also need to bring with you a portfolio of photographic practice.

Fee Information

£7620

Further Study

Progression to HND Art & Design - Photography, which can be studied at Wakefield College.

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