

MIDDLESBROUGH COLLEGE
**SIXTH FORM
PRESENTATION**

2027/28

TAKING  HIGHER



Part of Middlesbrough College



Reasons to make Middlesbrough College Sixth Form **YOUR #1 CHOICE**

1 NEXT-LEVEL OUTCOMES

- ↳ 99% overall pass rate in 2026
- ↳ Record number of students secured A* to A grades
- ↳ Over 90% of students secured their first-choice university

2 HIGH QUALITY TEACHING

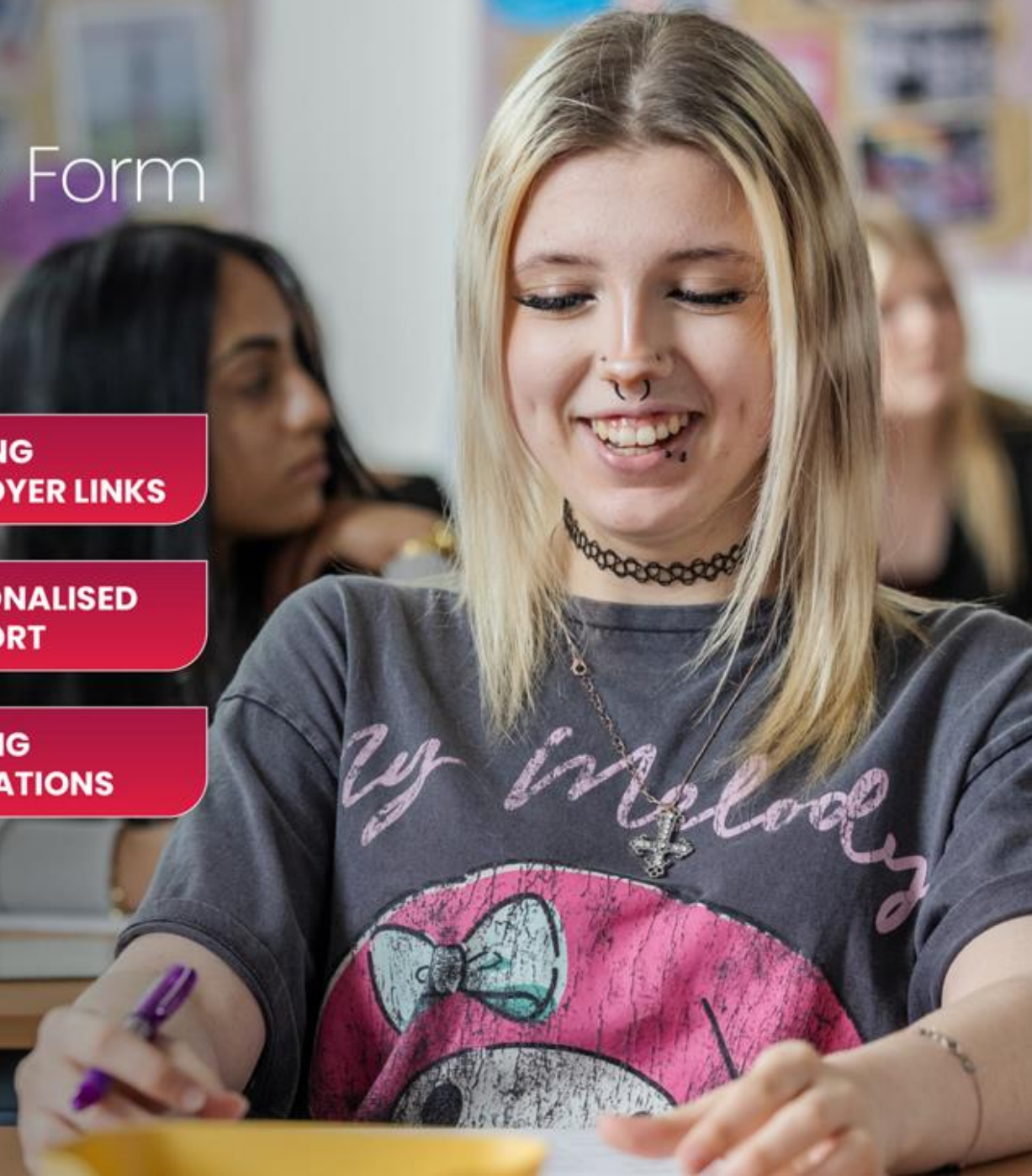
4 ENRICHMENT

7 LATE STARTS

3 STRONG EMPLOYER LINKS

5 PERSONALISED SUPPORT

6 RAISING ASPIRATIONS



PLEASE HAND
IN BEFORE
YOU LEAVE

T level Science (Full Time Programme)	☐	
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Why do I need to fill this in?

So we can help you choose the right courses and give you the support you need when you start college.

Please fill in this form with as much detail as you can.

Reform Information



Just so you are aware, the government are making changes to some of the qualifications that Colleges offer.

This is to help make it simpler to pick a course that matches your future job or university plans, by replacing older courses with a smaller number of options.

We are introducing new qualifications under the guidance of the Government. Meaning we might have some new courses added later in the year. Don't worry though, we will keep you updated and you can choose what you do at enrolment!

If you receive a conditional offer from us for a course areas and we change the qualification type, we will let you know but your offer will still remain with us.

Entry Requirements

A Levels/A Level Equivalents:

You will need at least 5 GCSEs at grade 4/5 or higher. GCSE Maths and GCSE English Language are required, with at least a Grade 5 in English Language.

Some subjects need higher GCSE grades in certain subjects like maths, English, or science.

You will need to meet the requirements for **all** the A Level subjects you choose.

T level Science:

You will need GCSE Maths, English Language and Science at a grade 5 or higher.

Plus, at least two other GCSEs at grade 4/5 or higher.

Entry requirements can be found on our website and may be subject to change without prior notice so please review these before coming to enrol.

Your study OPTIONS

Choose three or four subjects to create a personalised study programme that's right for you.

- ↳ **A Level subjects**
Academic subjects assessed by exams
- ↳ **A Level equivalent subjects**
Including OCR, BTEC, Applied, Vocational and V Level subjects
Assessed through a mixture of exams and practical assignments

ADDITIONAL ENRICHMENT QUALIFICATIONS

- ↳ **The Extended Project qualification (EPQ):**
An independent research project that carries up to 28 UCAS points.
- ↳ **AQA Level 3 Core Maths:**
A one-year, AS Level equivalent qualification that carries up to 20 UCAS points.
- ↳ **OCR Level 3 Certificate in Sustainability:**
A highly-regarded one-year course focusing on the fundamentals of sustainability and sustainability in practice.

V LEVELS NEW FOR 2027

V Levels are brand new Level 3 qualifications being introduced from 2027. They are equivalent to one A Level and are studied over two years, combining practical learning with broader subject knowledge and transferable skills.

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COLLEGE SIXTH FORM
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PASS RATE IN 2026!**



What can I **STUDY?**

As a modern sixth form, we understand that one size doesn't fit all. That's why we are committed to offering a broad subject choice for our students.

General entry for sixth form study:

English Language GCSE at Grade 5 and 4 other GCSEs at Grade 4/5 or above, including Mathematics.

COURSE OVERVIEW

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| ↳ Art (Fine)
A Level | ↳ Environmental Science
A Level | ↳ Media Studies
A Level |
| ↳ Applied Science
A Level Equivalent | ↳ Film Studies
A Level | ↳ Mental Health and Society
A Level Equivalent |
| ↳ Biology
A Level | ↳ Finance and Accounting
V Level | ↳ Photography
A Level |
| ↳ Applied Human Biology
A Level Equivalent | ↳ Geography
A Level | ↳ Physics
A Level |
| ↳ Business
A Level | ↳ Graphic Communication
A Level | ↳ Politics
A Level |
| ↳ Applied Business
A Level Equivalent | ↳ Health & Social Care
A Level Equivalent | ↳ Psychology
A Level |
| ↳ Chemistry
A Level | ↳ History
A Level | ↳ Applied Psychology
A Level Equivalent |
| ↳ Computer Science
A Level | ↳ Law
A Level | ↳ Sociology
A Level |
| ↳ Criminology
A Level Equivalent | ↳ Applied Law
A Level Equivalent | ↳ Sport
A Level Equivalent |
| ↳ Economics
A Level | ↳ Mathematics
A Level | |
| ↳ English Language
A Level | ↳ Further Mathematics
A Level | |
| ↳ English Literature
A Level | | |

A Levels vs Equivalent Courses

What is the structure of A Levels?

A Levels are 2-year courses with exams at the end of year 2.

Some subjects include work called NEA (non-exam assessment), which can count for between 20- 30% of your final grade.

The courses are academically focussed and have a deeper level of study.

What is the structure of A Level Equivalent Courses?

These courses are a different structure to A levels as they have a different type of assessment. There are controlled assessments , which are completed in college and marked by teaching staff and some exams set by the exam board taken in January/June.

These are taken in both year 1 and year 2 of the course, not just at the end of the course like on an A level course.

They are the same size as one A Level and take the same amount of time.

You can take these courses combined with other A Level subjects, picking 3 subjects altogether.

What can I do next?

Most sixth form students progress to Universities around the UK.

Some get an apprenticeship or degree apprenticeship e.g. Business Management, Accountancy and Finance, Lab Analyst.

T Level Science

(Laboratory Science or Food Science)



What will I study?

Core Component

This gives you a broad underpinning of science across the sector. Topics include:

- Units, quantities and measurement in science
- Biological molecules, cell structure, microbiology and immunology
- Chemical reactions, rates of reaction, formulae/equations
- Particles, radiation, electricity, magnetism/electromagnetism, waves, gas laws
- Health and safety in a laboratory environment; ethical considerations in scientific research

Occupational Specialism

You'll select one of the specialisms and study the skills and knowledge specific to that context. For this qualification there are two specialisms:

- **Laboratory Science:**
Techniques, standard operating procedures, chemical calculations, organic chemistry, metabolic pathways, electronics, data collection and analysis, good practice.
- **Food Science:**
Techniques, food and drink industry quality/safety, regulations, microbiology in food/drink, raw materials, packaging/processing.

How will I be assessed?

Two external examinations and an Employer-Set project covering the Core Component. Then, a specialist project for your chosen Occupational Specialism. There is also a mandatory work placement of 315 hours.

Subject Combinations

We recommend you study subjects which complement each other, helping you to develop the key skills needed to succeed.

Science & Mathematics (would suggest studying at least 2 from this group together)

Biology
Chemistry
Human Biology
Environmental Science
Physics
Mathematics
Further Mathematics
Computer Science
Geography
Health & Social Care
BTEC Sport

Humanities & Social Sciences

History
Politics
Psychology
Sociology
Criminology
Law
Applied Psychology
Applied Law

English & Creative Arts

English Language
English Literature
Film Studies
Media Studies
Fine Art
Photography
Graphics

Business & Applied

Business
Applied Business
Economics
Accounting & Finance

We can give you some help on picking subjects that go well together and that might be needed for certain jobs or university courses.

Example Timetable

MONDAY	10am - 11:30am Block A	11:30 - 12pm Block A TAP	12pm - 12:45 LUNCH	12:45pm - 2:15pm Block D	2:30pm - 4pm Block E
TUESDAY	10am - 11:30am Block B	11:30 - 12pm Block B TAP	12pm - 12:45 LUNCH	12:45pm - 2:15pm Block A	2:30pm - 4pm Block D
WEDNESDAY	10am - 11:30am Block C	11:30 - 12pm Block C TAP	12pm - 12:45 LUNCH	12:45pm - 2:15pm Block E	2:30pm - 4pm Block B
THURSDAY	10am - 11:30am Block D	11:30 - 12pm Block D TAP	12pm - 12:45 LUNCH	12:45pm - 2:15pm Block C	2:30pm - 4pm Block A
FRIDAY	10am - 11:30am Block E	11:30 - 12pm Block E TAP	12pm - 12:45 LUNCH	12:45pm - 2:15pm Block B	2:30pm - 4pm Block C

- **Subjects:** You'll spend 4.5 hours with each subject during a block. That's 3 x 4.5 hours made up of teaching.
- **Teacher Access Period (TAP):** A set time to get help from your teachers – either drop-in or as part of your weekly timetable.
- **Supervised Study :** 1 x 1.5 hour session per week
- **Thrive Tutorial:** 1.5 hour session – you attend once per week.
- **Enrichment:** You should aim to take part in at least 1 session per week.

Trips, visits and projects

SUBJECT EXCURSIONS

LITERACY CHAMPIONS



UNIVERSITY GUEST SPEAKERS



SUPPORTING LOCAL CHARITIES



BALTIC CENTRE FOR CONTEMPORARY ART

LAING ART GALLERY





SPORTS ACADEMIES

Launched in 2012, MC ELITE (Elite Level Institute of Training & Excellence) is where precision meets power, strategy meets strength, and ambition meets performance.

Built for dedicated, high-potential athletes, it delivers prestigious, top-level coaching, industry-leading facilities and a performance-focused mindset.



- \ Basketball
- \ Cricket
- \ Esports
- \ Men's Football
- \ Women's Football
- \ Golf
- \ Gymnastics
- \ Swimming
- \ Volleyball

BORO X MC ELITE

We are proud to partner with Middlesbrough FC, offering Men's U19 and Women's U19 pathways that help create future pathways into football, higher education and employment!



You don't need to be doing a sports course to join one of our sports academies!

ELITE
MINDS.

ELITE
PERFORMANCE.

ELITE
FUTURES.



STUDENT PERKS

TRAVEL



TRAVEL

SHUTTLE BUS



TRAIN

FINANCIAL HELP



FREE Wi-Fi, £5 printing credit and subsidised stationery costs



FREE student parking
Subject to availability.



10% discount on great food



20% discount on hair and beauty treatments, plus a free haircut in your first term!



College gym membership for just a one-off £10 fee!



FREE* college meals
**If you currently receive free school meals, this could continue at college.*



Financial ASSISTANCE

	Household income		
	<£45,000*	£45,001 – £100,000*	Over £100,000*
Free College Meals (16-18 students / 19-23 with EHCP only)	Eligible for £4 per day if the household is in receipt of a means tested benefit** including Universal Credit		
Bus Travel (Arriva & Stagecoach)	FREE	FREE	£60 per term***
Train Travel****	Reimbursed	Reimbursed	X
MC Bursary (if not receiving Free Meals)	£3 per day ^Δ	X	X
Specialist Equipment	YES	X	X
Mandatory Trips / Visits	YES*****	X	X
UCAS Fee	YES	YES	X
Childcare – Care to Learn (16-19yr old student)	YES	X	X
Childcare – College Funded (20yrs+ student)	YES	X	X

* Earned income plus Universal Credit amount (if applicable)

** Universal Credit / State Pension / Asylum Support

*** Payment due after October half term / after Christmas holidays / after Easter holidays

**** Designated train stations only. Students are required to purchase the 16-17 saver rail card. Tickets must be handed in weekly

***** The bursary fund can only be used to support learning activities and experiences that are clearly mapped to the student's study programme goals or course objectives therefore, each trip award is assessed on an individual basis and is not guaranteed

Δ Bursary paid weekly and based on positive attendance

For further details, please see the Middlesbrough College financial policy located on our website: www.mbro.ac.uk

Conditional Offers

Conditions of your offer include:

- **Getting the grades you need for your course/subjects**

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- **Approval from our Learning Support or Safeguarding Teams (if required)**

Some extra checks may still need to be completed behind the scenes – but, if anything changes regarding your application, they will contact you directly.

- **Fully enrol during our Main Enrolment period (19th and 27th August)**

19th – 23rd August is used for priority enrolment appointments, so please make sure you are available on these dates as a minimum, but we advise not being away for main enrolment.

- **Places on your course being available at Enrolment**

Even if you've got an offer, your place on the course isn't confirmed until you enrol. Some courses fill up fast – especially in the first few days of enrolment!

Additional Learning Support



Our friendly teams can help you with your learning.

If you have declared an EHCP:

We might pause your application while The SEN Team speak to your local council to check your plan.

We may also contact you to book an appointment with one of our ALS team leaders.

Do you have SEN support at school?

Ask your school SENCo to share it with us so we can plan the right support for you.

Other support?

The Cube Team will help you with things like exam support (extra time, readers etc), dyslexia checks, tutoring, and study skills. This can all be sorted when you start with us!

For any support queries, contact: sen@mbro.ac.uk

Enrolment



Enrolment (19th – 27th August)

Enrolment is by **appointment only** and is based on offer date/status per application. It is important that you attend your priority enrolment appointment for the best chance of securing your place.

We strongly recommend not going on holiday during our main Enrolment period. Details will be sent during the summer via email and letter.

Enrolment must be **completed in person by the student**, as we do not offer alternative enrolment options.

Important Dates

Please make a note of these dates, and avoid booking holidays on them:

- 19th August: GCSE Results Day
- 19th – 27th August: Main Enrolment

Next Steps

What happens next?

We will confirm your conditional offer within 10 working days via email and letter

In some cases, extra checks may need to be completed first with our ALS/Safeguarding team which can delay this.

Your next steps – via the applicant page:

- Review the Showcase presentation and find other useful information
- Accept your conditional place
- Book a place on the taster sessions (**Thursday 1st July**)
- Onsite enrolment (**19th – 27th August**)



Scan the QR code, or use the link in your offer email and letter to access the applicant page

LAUNCH YOUR CAREER with an Apprenticeship!



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What is an apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship is a real job where you:

- ↳ **Earn a wage**
- ↳ **Gain hands-on experience**
- ↳ **Study towards a recognised qualification (usually one day a week at college)**



Apprenticeships available in:

- ↳ **Accountancy**
- ↳ **Beauty**
- ↳ **Business Administration**
- ↳ **Catering and Hospitality**
- ↳ **Childcare, Healthcare and Education**
- ↳ **Construction**
- ↳ **Dental nursing**
- ↳ **Engineering and Manufacturing**
- ↳ **IT, Digital, Marketing and Media**

The current
min wage for an
apprentice is:

£8 /hour
for U19s



Your **CAMPUS**



CONSTRUCTION YARD



LRC



FITNESS STUDIO



MC THEATRE



WATERSIDE BRASSERIE



SPORTS HALL AND
ASTROTURF PITCHES



AIRPLANE MOCK FUSELAGE



HAIR AND BEAUTY SALONS



CAMPUS HEART



HEALTH AND CARE WARD



RECORDING STUDIOS

MODERN Facilities

We are always developing our campus and facilities to support the growth of skills in the Tees Valley.



Electric and Hybrid Motor Vehicle Workshop



State-of-the-art Clinical and Community Care Simulation Suite for Health & Care programmes



Top-spec Esports room



Specialised Welding equipment to meet industry needs



13 new classrooms and workspaces for Construction, Engineering and TTE



State-of-the-art £35m Engineering Technical Training Centre

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Around the world **WITH MC**



Careers AND EXPERIENCE

We're not just here to help you succeed in the classroom. We're here to support you in the real-world, too!

CAREERS TEAM

Whether you're aiming for university, an apprenticeship or your dream job, our Careers Team is here to help you with:

- ↳ One-to-one careers guidance
- ↳ CV, job and apprenticeship application support
- ↳ University and UCAS application support
- ↳ Employability skills development
- ↳ Grofar – a smart digital tool to plan and track your work placements and enrichment



WORK PLACEMENTS Stand out from the crowd!

You'll benefit from:

- ↳ Strong links with top local, regional and national employers
- ↳ A dedicated Work Placement Coordinator who'll support you every step of the way and has connections with employers in your chosen industry sector
- ↳ Tailored work placements that fit your course and career goals
- ↳ Travel card support so you can easily get to your work placement
- ↳ Boosted confidence and employability skills



STUDENT SERVICES Here for you



Your wellbeing matters.

That's why our Student Services Team is always on hand to support you!

We offer:

- ↳ Free, confidential counselling
- ↳ Dedicated welfare and safeguarding officers

If you need a hand, we've got your back.

ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT (ALS)

We are committed to providing a learning environment in which there is equality for all members of our community.



Our specialist services include:

- ↳ Dyslexia / Dyscalculia Support Tutors
- ↳ Extra maths and English support
- ↳ Communication Support Workers for the deaf
- ↳ IT trainers for the visually impaired
- ↳ Specialist Learning Support Assistants to support students with emotional, behavioural and social difficulties or neurodiversity
- ↳ Assistive technology and software resources
- ↳ Special exam arrangements

The ALS Hub is located on the ground floor of the college. Why not come along and check it out?

Why not **SEE IT FOR YOURSELF?**

The best way to experience life at Middlesbrough College and TTE is to visit us at one of our open events.

Explore our industry-standard facilities, meet our expert tutors, discover the courses that interest you, and get a real feel for student life. If you're ready, you can even apply when you visit us!

2026/27 OPEN EVENTS

Thu 1st October 2026

5:15pm – 7:30pm

Thu 3rd December 2026

5:15pm – 7:00pm

Thu 6th May 2027

5:15pm – 6:30pm

Wed 7th October 2026

5:15pm – 7:30pm

Wed 20th January 2027

5:15pm – 7:00pm

Tues 15th June 2027

5:15pm – 6:30pm

Sat 7th November 2026

9:30am – 12:00pm

Wed 10th March 2027

5:15pm – 7:00pm

Apprenticeship Expo

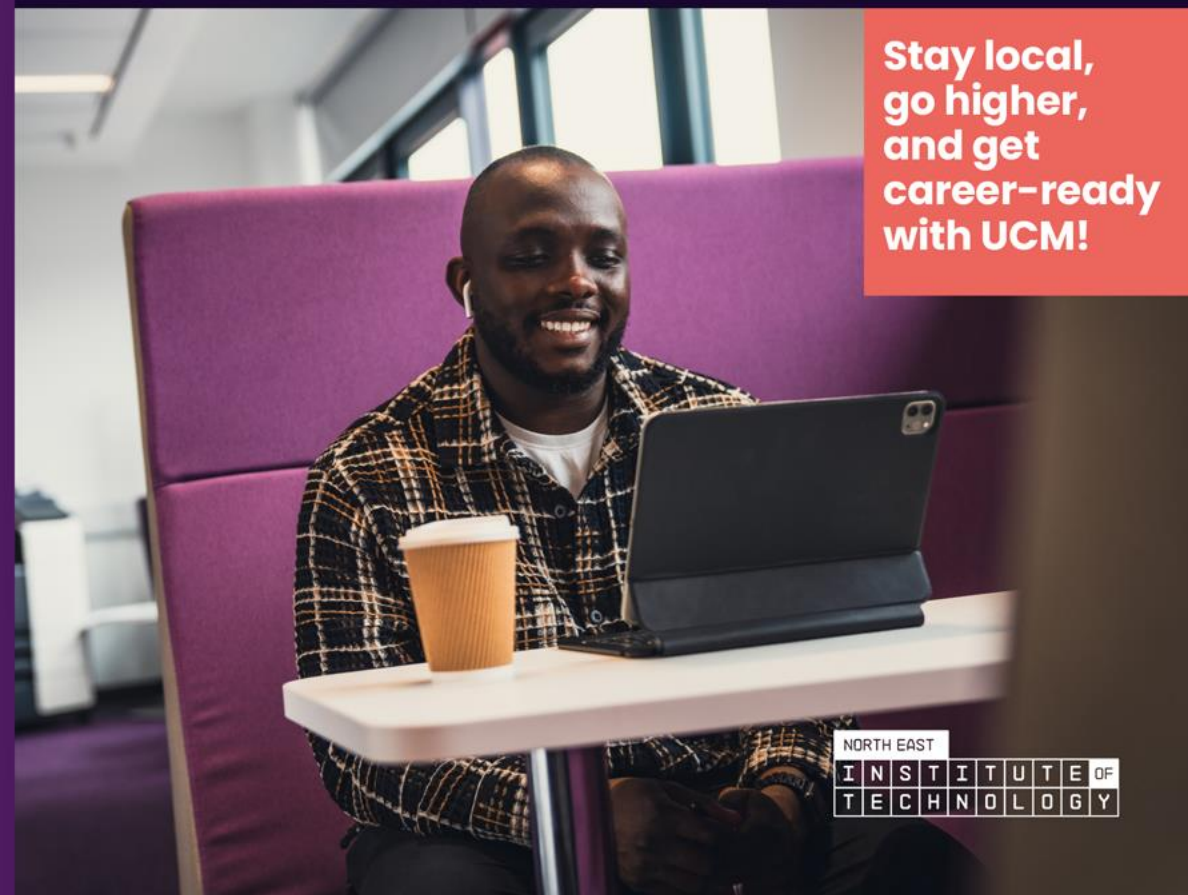
Tue 9th February 2027
4:00pm – 6:00pm

YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO FAR TO GO FURTHER!



At University Centre Middlesbrough you'll find:

- › Career-focused degrees designed in collaboration with employers
- › The chance to gain professional qualifications alongside your degree
- › Smaller class sizes and more one-to-one support
- › A supportive, close-knit community where you're known by name
- › More teaching hours than traditional universities



**Stay local,
go higher,
and get
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with UCM!**

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