

# Extended Diploma in Acting



Course Level: Level 3

Campus: Newcastle

Subject Type: Music & Performing Arts

## Course Overview:

Take centre stage and hone your performance skills as you tread the boards and expand your range of acting styles on this practical and academic course.

Immerse yourself in the craft of acting, from mastering the essentials of voice and movement to delving into the intricacies of script analysis and stage presence. With a focus on practical application and live performances,

## What's Covered:

You will study a range of units including classical and contemporary theatre performance, auditions for actors, voice acting, applying acting styles, film and TV acting, audio-performance acting, stage combat, directing and devising plays as well as core units examining the principles of acting, performing arts as a business and rehearsing and performing to an audience.

You can expect experienced tutors with huge amounts of industry experience to support you with a wide variety of practical projects, covering a mixture of theatrical and acting styles, including classical and contemporary theatre performance plus opportunities to work alongside other students to create your own work.

You will also learn to work and perform in a professional environment and take part in a large number of performances with guest speakers and practitioners throughout the course who will guide you in a number of course-related activities.

The study programme also incorporates a range of work related experience activities to ensure that you have the breadth of skills required to progress to further/higher education, employment or an apprenticeship.

## Entry Requirements:

You will need a minimum of four or more high grades at GCSE in subjects relevant to the course you'd like to study, including maths and/or English Language at grade 4 or above. Alternatively, you'll need a Level 2 Diploma with overall Merit in a relevant subject and maths and English at appropriate levels.

You will be invited to interview/audition where you will have the opportunity to meet the department and be shown the outstanding facilities at the Performing Arts Centre.

## Maths and English

Alongside your course you will study maths and/or English to improve your skills in these vital subjects by attending structured weekly sessions as part of your timetable. Maths and English development is also integrated in practical assignments.

## Assessment Information:

The course contains a number of mandatory and specialist units, some of which are assessed

**100%**

**pass rate**

**75%**

**achieved DMM+ in  
2025**

externally. You will be assessed continually throughout the year as you complete each task within a unit of study. Tasks vary and include practical work, written reports and presentations.

### **Fees and Financial Support:**

**This course is free for anyone aged 16 – 18.**

### **College Maintenance Allowance (CMA):**

Anyone with a gross household income under £35,000 can receive financial support to cover college related costs such as transport, meals, course equipment and uniform. Bursary support is based on individual circumstances and will be allocated to best suit your individual needs. A range of other financial support is available depending on your personal circumstances. For more details visit [nscg.ac.uk/finance](https://nscg.ac.uk/finance)

### **Progression:**

Students may either enter the profession on completion of this course, continue their studies at the College on a relevant HE course or progress to university to undertake a degree programme.

## **How do I find out more?**

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