

DOVER  
COLLEGE



THE CONNECTED CURRICULUM

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CAREERS PROGRAMME

THINK DIFFERENTLY. THINK DOVER COLLEGE.

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Pupils can study one or two BTEC level 3 courses with most pupils preparing for the National Extended Certificate (equivalent to one A level) although in some cases, pupils can also study for the National Foundation Diploma or Diploma (equivalent to 1.5 and 2 A levels respectively).

Qualifications will be graded as Pass, Merit, Distinction or Distinction\*, equivalent to A Level grades E, C, A and A\* respectively.

Pupils may be able to choose one additional subject from the A Level+ course if desired but this is not compulsory. English as a Foreign Language lessons will be timetabled once pupils are assessed after arrival.

A Careers Programme co-ordinator will be available to advise on course profiles. Once established, each pupil will have a programmed pathway incorporating curriculum subjects and enrichment elements.

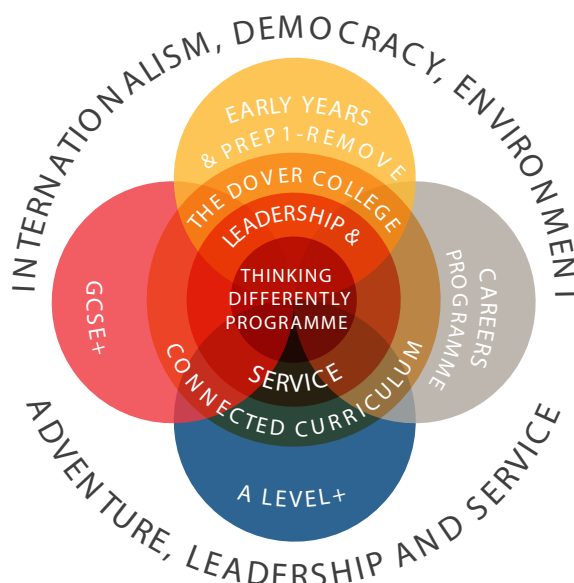
## WHAT DOES THE FUTURE HOLD?

With this curriculum, Dover College Careers Programme pupils are more equipped than ever to enter Higher Education, embark on a worthwhile apprenticeship or start a life changing and rewarding career.

Additional elements to the academic programme will be available outside of the timetabled academic programme.

## THINKING DIFFERENTLY COURSE

The underlying philosophy throughout the College and within this curriculum is Thinking Differently. Our Thinking Differently Co-ordinator has developed a programme that combines: Personal, Social, Health and Economic education with Digital Literacy, Study Skills and Careers. Students will continue to be encouraged to be critical thinkers and will also reflect on the nature of knowledge and how we know what we claim we know.



## EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION

Pupils will undertake an EPQ which is a freestyle project tailored to their individual interests and is equivalent to half an A level. It is ideal preparation for undergraduate research and plays a central role in the Careers Programme.

## LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE PROGRAMME

The Leadership and Skills Co-ordinator will help tailor individual Careers programmes, incorporating areas such as the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards Scheme and Service within the community.

Pupils will gain work experience outside of the College from the programme devised by the Careers Programme Co-ordinator.

Pupils will enhance their personal and interpersonal development by learning through experience at school and often out in the community. This provides opportunities for self-determination and collaboration with others and fosters a sense of accomplishment and enjoyment from their work.

# THE DOVER COLLEGE PUPIL PROFILE

## Our pupils strive to be:

Creative Thinkers: imagine what is possible, try out solutions, experiment and create Creative Thinkers

Risk Takers: are resourceful and resilient when facing challenges and we realise that mistakes are clues to solutions and discoveries

Problem Solvers: are prepared to confront challenges, explore solutions and take chances to apply personal, social, numerical and language skills in a variety of settings

Curious: develop a lifelong love of learning. We develop skills of enquiry, ask questions, challenge the accepted view and take a different perspective

Team Players: collaborate with each other to achieve a common goal. We learn to listen carefully to others as well as being able to express ourselves confidently and creatively

Independent: manage our time, make judgements on the quality of information, reflect on our own learning, recognise our strengths and set goals for development

Knowledgeable: develop our conceptual understanding by exploring knowledge across a range of subjects and disciplines

## Our pupils embrace the values of:

Respect - value each other and value our differences

Responsibility - as citizens, care for each other and our shared environments (world)

Hope - I can make a difference

Compassion - understand life from another's point of view

Justice - give everyone a chance to make a difference for themselves and others

Courage - know what is right and stand up for it

Wisdom - know about our world and understand the consequences of our choices

Integrity - do what is right for me and others

# THE CAREERS PROGRAMME COURSE

## BTEC SUBJECTS

APPLIED SCIENCE  
CREATIVE DIGITAL MEDIA  
BUSINESS STUDIES  
MUSIC TECHNOLOGY  
PERFORMING ARTS  
PSYCHOLOGY  
SPORT

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## ENRICHMENT

THINKING DIFFERENTLY COURSE  
(TDC)  
  
EXTENDED PROJECT  
QUALIFICATION (EPQ)  
  
LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE  
PROGRAMME (LSP)



