

Disability statement

Our College's Single Equality Scheme outlines our commitment to ensuring that no one is disadvantaged on the grounds of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation. Our vision and values reinforce our commitment to serving our students and our community in fostering an entirely inclusive learning environment and in so doing make reasonable adjustments in order to achieve the objectives set down in the Equality Act 2010, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 as amended by the Special Education Needs and Disability Act 2001, Employment Equality Regulations 2003, the Employment Equality (Age) Regulations October 2006, Sex Discrimination Act 1975, Race Relations 1976 and (Amendment) Act 2000.

- As part of its accommodation strategy the College has undertaken a variety of access audits and this formed the basis of a bid to the LSC for funding capital projects aimed at improving access. Specially adapted lifts, toilets and shower facilities are provided on the premises at the main Carlton Road site.
- Our admissions and assessment procedures enable us to identify and offer support at an early stage. The admissions policy for all students is described in the College Charter and is available on request from Student Services. In very few cases a place cannot be offered at the College. Should you not agree with this decision an appeal can be made through the College complaints procedures.
- At any time during your study you can request support by visiting the Additional Learning Support team. The ALS team provides information, advice and support for students with disabilities. The team employs a number of Learning Support Assistants, ALS Tutors and Instructors who support students with a range of physical, emotional, behavioural and learning difficulties and/or disabilities in classroom and discrete situations.
- The Learning Resources Centre can supply a range of assistive technology and equipment for loan. Training on their use is also provided within the LRC.
- Specialist programmes are described in College prospectuses, and achievements and destinations are recorded and published in the standard College format.
- A range of highly qualified counselling and welfare services can be accessed and signposted through the Guidance team located in Student Services.
- On-course assessments and examinations will, wherever possible, be negotiated with the awarding body on your behalf and could include a range of adaptations for example extra time allocation or communication support.
- Information for students is highlighted at induction and can be found in the Student Handbook which is available on the College Virtual Learning Environment and in hard print.
- All College policies and procedures are available in a range of formats and in different languages on request from Student Services. These are regularly reviewed in consultation with learners and staff. Your views are essential to ensuring that we continue to offer quality provision. You can contribute through student focus groups, learner course reviews, surveys and suggestion boxes or ask to see a member of Student Services.