



Higher Education
Courses (Level 4-6)

2022/23

NORTHERN
Regional College

Ballymena | Ballymoney | Coleraine | Magherafelt | Newtownabbey



Higher Education at Northern Regional College

At Northern Regional College we offer a range of higher education courses giving you a choice in your learning. Whether you want to jump start your career or progress to university you will find a course to suit you. Qualifications include Higher Level Apprenticeships (HLAs), Foundation Degrees, Higher National Certificates/Diplomas and Degree and much more.



This course is an amazing pathway to health professions such as occupational therapy, nursing, teaching and social work. You have many opportunities, experience and specific teaching relevant to your career path. My confidence has grown massively in ICT skills, referencing for university, clinical skills and much more!



Aimee Lee Johnston

Foundation Degree in
Health & Social Care



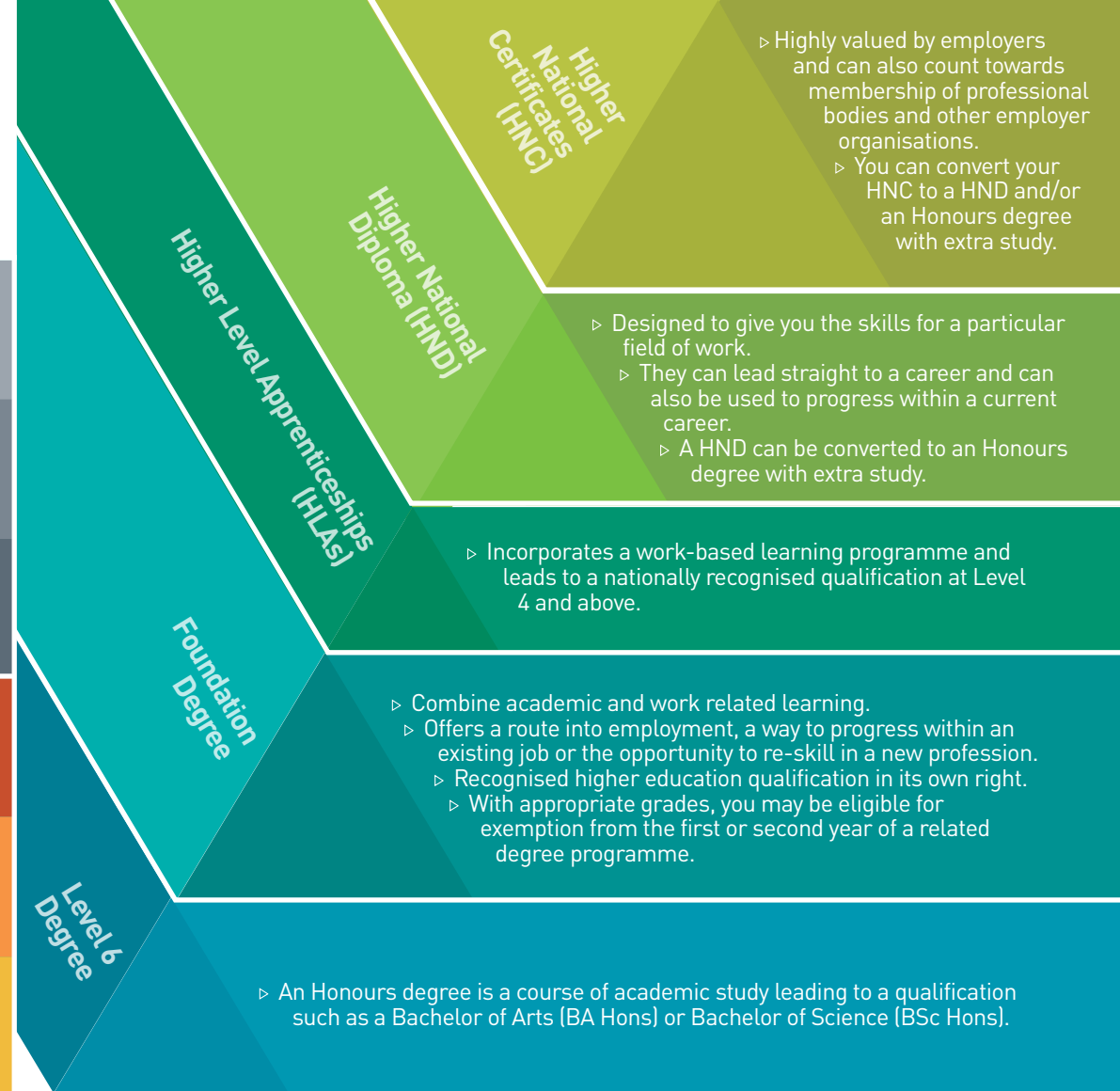
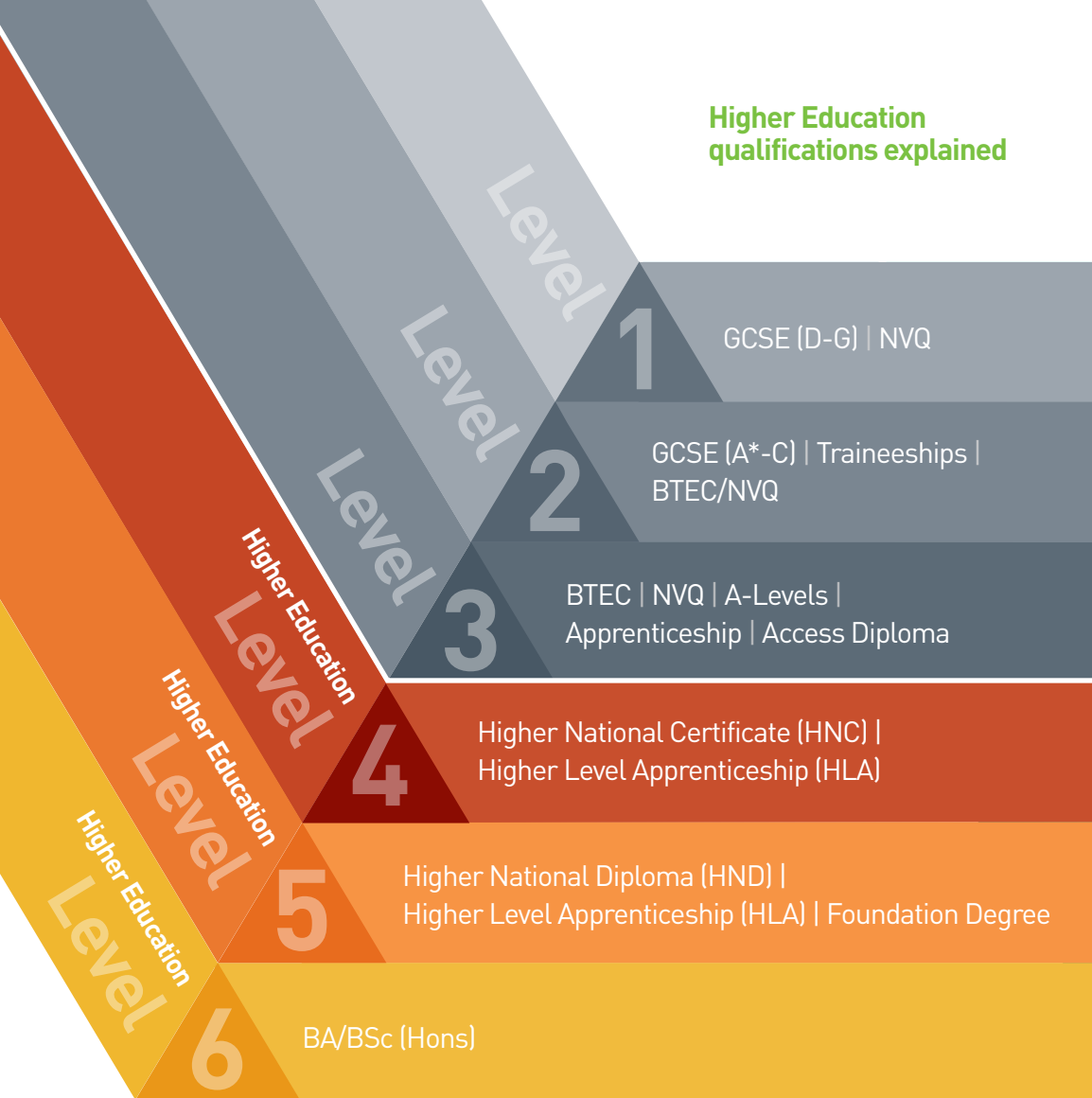
I've gained so many skills, from language and vocabulary skills for social work, research skills, the importance of networking, how to articulate myself better, have confidence in myself and my ability (this is solely down to my lecturers). My self-esteem has improved drastically and I've developed resilience and stress management, I could go on. This course was great, the lecturers have changed my life in every way.



Selina Sampson

Level 4 HNC in Social &
Community Work

Higher Education qualifications explained





Benefits to studying Higher Education at your local college

Affordability

You can study closer to home to save on travel and accommodation expenses. Annual tuition fees are typically much lower than University – full-time tuition fees for 2022/23 are £2,500 per year. These fees may be subject to change.

Earn while you learn

Foundation Degrees and Higher Level Apprenticeships let you work while you study.

Smaller classes

Links with industry and employers



A number of my colleagues completed this course previously and had spoken highly of staff and the learning environment and since joining the course I would too echo these words. The support, the quality of teaching and the tools that you learn on this course not only equips you for a career in counselling but also for life. It has genuinely been a very rewarding and healing experience for me. There is an equality and genuineness in the way the course is delivered by all staff.



Paula Hanson

Foundation Degree in Counselling

Courses

Please note that due to ongoing major campus construction projects courses at Ballymena, Coleraine and Ballymoney may be relocated to alternative suitable locations as required.

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A										
Accountancy	Higher Level Apprenticeship					✓			2	FT
Accountancy	Level 4 Certificate (Accounting Technicians Ireland - ATI)			✓		✓	✓	✓	1	PT
Accountancy	Level 5 Diploma (Accounting Technicians Ireland - ATI)			✓		✓	✓	✓	1	PT
Adult Care	Level 4 Diploma						✓	✓	1	PT
Advanced Automotive Studies	Level 4 Certificate (IMI)	✓							3	PT
NEW Advanced Practitioner in Schools and Colleges	Level 4 Certificate							✓	1	PT
Animal Management	Level 5 Higher National Diploma							✓	2	FT
NEW Art and Design	Level 5 Higher National Diploma			✓					2	FT

 delivered online (Coleraine only)

For full course details and up-to-date information visit www.nrc.ac.uk

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B										
Business	Level 4 Higher National Certificate			✓		✓			2	PT
Business with Digital Technology	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)			✓				✓	2	FT
Business Studies	BSc Honours Degree			✓					2-3	PT
C										
Cisco Certified Network Associate		✓							1	PT
Cognitive Behavioural Therapeutic Skills and Theory	Level 5 Diploma			✓					1	PT
Computing	Level 4 Higher National Certificate						✓		1	PT
Computing	Level 5 Higher National Diploma						✓		1	PT
Computing	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	✓						✓	2	FT

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C										
Computing	Higher Level Apprenticeship	✓							3	FT
Construction (Level 4)	Higher Level Apprenticeship	✓							2	FT
Construction and the Built Environment	Level 4 Higher National Certificate	✓							2	PT
Construction Engineering with Surveying	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	✓			✓				3	PT
Construction Engineering with Surveying	Higher Level Apprenticeship	✓			✓				3	FT
Counselling Studies	Level 4 Certificate (Ulster University)			✓			✓		1	PT
Creative Media Production (Web and App Development Pathway)	Level 5 Higher National Diploma					✓		✓	2	FT


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E										
Early Childhood Education and Care	Level 4 Higher National Certificate						✓		2	PT
Early Childhood Studies*	Foundation Degree (Stranmillis University)			✓				✓	2	FT
Engineering	Level 4 Higher National Certificate							✓	2	PT
Engineering - Advanced Manufacturing Engineering	Higher Level Apprenticeship	✓							3	FT
Engineering - Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	✓							2	FT
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*Applications for the full-time Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies must be submitted through UCAS.

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Engineering - Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)	✓							2	FT
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H										
Health and Social Care	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)			✓			✓	✓	2	FT
Healthcare Practice	Level 4 Higher National Certificate			✓			✓	✓	1	PT
I										
Integrative Counselling Practice	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)		✓						3	PT

 delivered online/blended learning

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L										
Leadership and Management	Level 5 Certificate (ILM)			✓				✓	1	PT
Leadership for Children's Care, Learning and Development	Level 5 Diploma				✓			✓	2	PT
Leadership for Health and Social Care Services	Level 5 Diploma							✓	2	PT
M										
Music (Production) (Subject to Approval)	Level 5 Higher National Diploma					✓			2	FT
O										
Occupational Health and Safety	Level 6 Diploma (NEBOSH)							✓	1.5-2	PT

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P											
People Management	Level 5 Associate Diploma (CIPD)			✓					1	PT	
Performing Arts	Level 5 Higher National Diploma							✓	2	PT	
NEW Principles of Leadership and Management for Adult Social Care	Level 4 Certificate			Online					1	PT	
S											
Social and Community Work	Level 4 Higher National Certificate							✓	1	PT	
Sports Science, Coaching and Fitness	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)					✓			2	PT	
Supply Chain and Logistics	Foundation Degree (Ulster University)							✓	3	PT	
Supply Chain and Logistics	Higher Level Apprenticeship							✓	3	FT	
T											
Therapeutic Counselling	Level 4 Diploma (BACP Pilot)		✓						2	PT	



I like that the Higher Level Apprenticeship (HLA) combines both practical and hands-on experience in the workplace with the theoretical knowledge from the classroom. Another big bonus of course is that being an HLA allows you to earn as you learn which means I can get an accredited qualification without running up student debt.



Jordan Gaw
Higher Level Apprenticeship in Computing





Fees and Funding

Full-time tuition fee for 2022/2023 entry is £2,500 per year. These fees may be subject to change. Fees for part-time Higher Education courses are available to view online. Fees may be paid in full or through flexible payments. For full-time courses you may apply to the Student Loans Company for a tuition fee loan for payment of your fees.

Our student finance team are on hand to assist you with any financial matter or to help you apply for grants or awards that are available. Email studentfinance@nrc.ac.uk for further details.

How to Apply

You can apply online at www.nrc.ac.uk for all of our Higher Education courses with the exception of the full-time Foundation Degree in Childhood Studies – for this course only you must apply via UCAS. Your application to the College does not count as one of your UCAS applications.

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