

# HIGHER EDUCATION

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Your Local Alternative to University

# Why Students Choose Harrow College for Higher Education

- Lower fees than a degree
- Undergraduate education in the comfort of familiar surroundings
- Career focus with work placements and employer engagement
- HNC/HND completed in 2 years
- Top up to a full honours degree at University in the 3rd year
- Access courses offer a route to University if you lack the qualifications required
- Vibrant, multicultural and friendly college
- Fantastic location with excellent public transport
- Busy social calendar outside of lessons to fit your timetable
- Dedicated careers team for information, advice and guidance
- Cross-campus facilities including library, gym, cafe, free WiFi and more
- The Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) for Higher Education (HE) identified good practice for the HE culture of innovation and support in learning and teaching
- As well as meeting UK expectations in a number of areas, the QAA also praised the College's HE engagement with external partners in supporting the professional development of students and staff



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# Harrow College

## Your Local Alternative to University

### **Our courses offer you the opportunity to achieve your career goals**

You will study in smaller groups with dedicated higher education facilities. Our talented teaching staff have many years of experience to ensure that courses are tailored to meet the needs of students as well as current employer requirements.

Our Higher National Diploma (HND) programmes are undergraduate qualifications delivered over two years. Completion of your first year at Harrow College will lead to a Higher National Certificate (HNC) which will allow you to progress onto the second year and completion of the HND. After this, you'll be ready to go on to a university to achieve your full honours degree or start work.

If you wish to enter the first year of University but lack the formal qualifications needed for entry, the successful completion of an Access course can help you follow your dream (see page 6).

### **More to College life than just academic achievement**

As well as fantastic facilities and teaching support provided, students also benefit from lots of activities across employability, enterprise and leisure related themes.

These include Fresher's Fairs, Celebrating Diversity events including Black History Month, Staying Safe Fairs and events, Health Week, Employment and Progression Fairs, UCAS workshops and more. There are also lots of extra-curricular activities on offer outside of the standard lessons. From a wide range of sports to being a Student Council Rep, from college ambassadors to student mentoring, whatever your interest there will be an opportunity for you to take part.

The College is committed to providing an outstanding learning experience for our students, underpinned by a responsive and innovative curriculum designed to help students achieve their qualification and develop the skills and attributes to support their onward progression to higher study or work.

## FINANCIAL & STUDENT SUPPORT

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Full time students who are studying for their first degree or other higher education course can benefit from a range of financial support. Visit [www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.direct.gov.uk/studentfinance).

You don't have to pay for your course upfront. You can get a loan to cover the cost of your tuition, which you only start to pay back when you are earning over £21,000 a year. Disabled Students' Allowances (DSAs) information and additional support for HE students who require specific equipment can be found on the student finance website above or visit the Careers & Employability team at each campus.



## CAREERS & EMPLOYABILITY

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The Careers & Employability team at Harrow College will be able to help you understand the benefits of studying a HNC/HND and advise you on employment and education options after graduation. Specialist support is also available to explain and help complete applications for student finance.



## INFORMATION, ADVICE & GUIDANCE

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For more information about our higher education programmes or if you would like some advice and guidance on how to proceed, our Learner Services team is happy to help and can be contacted by email at [enquiries@harrow.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@harrow.ac.uk), by phone on **020 8909 6000** or you can drop in to Admissions at our Harrow on the Hill campus or at Reception at our Harrow Weald campus Monday to Friday, 10am - 4pm.



# ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION



Do you wish to go to university but lack the formal qualifications needed for entry? The successful completion of an Access course can help you follow your dream.

Harrow College's Access courses offer localised learning in an affordable and supportive environment to progress your learning to the next stage. The College has excellent links with universities and will work to actively progress your education.

The Access course involves approximately 15 hours of tuition per week, supplemented with home based study. You will receive tuition in English, Maths, IT and Study Skills in addition to your specialist subject. Your personal tutor and the Careers team will offer you support and advice throughout your course.

## ACCESS COURSES AVAILABLE INCLUDE:

• **Access to Science**

• **Access to Nursing**

• **Access to Humanities and Social Science**

• **Access to Computing**

• **Access to Business**

Some students may be eligible to apply for financial support. Please contact us to discuss this further.





# HNC / HND in Business

## OVERVIEW

This course is designed to run in accordance with Years 1 and 2 of a first degree programme and provides students with the opportunity to develop their skills and knowledge of the main business. This includes marketing, accounting, ICT, management and leadership, team-working, project management, time management, conflict management, research skills, presentation skills and a range of communication skills. On completion of the course, students can progress to the second or third year of a degree programme at University or progress directly into employment.

## COURSE CONTENT

### Year 1 (HNC)

Business Environment,  
Managing Financial Resources and Decisions,  
Organisations and Behaviour,  
Marketing Principles,  
Aspects of Contract & Negligence for Business,  
Business Decision Making,  
Business Strategy,  
Research Project

### Year 2 (HND)

Personal and Professional Development,  
Working with and Leading People,  
Managing Business Activities to Achieve Results,  
Managing Communications, Knowledge & Information,  
Management Accounting - Costing & Budgeting,  
Human Resource Development,  
Small Business Enterprise,  
Business Ethics

A range of teaching and learning strategies are used including formal lectures, presentations, small group activities, talks by guest speakers, planned business trips, video presentations and a range of other interactive methods. **This course is 100% coursework assessed.**

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**HNC** GCSE Maths & English A\*- C (or IELTS 5.5)  
Any Level 3 qualification equivalent to 120 UCAS points OR  
*Adequate work experience / professional qualifications*

**HND** Completed HNC or equivalent  
(see HNC requirements)

## COURSE FEES

**HNC/HND:** £3450 per course per year | **International students:** £5900



# HNC / HND in Computing and Systems Development

## OVERVIEW

This course can lead to direct progression onto a computing related honours degree at university. It will also enable progression on to further study such as a Professional Development Qualification or vendor qualifications offered by Cisco, Microsoft, IBM, CompTIA, Oracle and VMware. This course will develop a range of skills and techniques, personal qualities and attributes essential for successful employment.

## COURSE CONTENT

### Year 1 (HNC)

Business Skills for e-Commerce,  
Computer Systems,  
System Analysis and Design,  
Networking Technologies,  
Information Systems in Organisations,  
Website Design,  
Employability and Professional Development,  
Programming in .NET

### Year 2 (HND)

Project Design, Implementation and Evaluation,  
Web Applications Development,  
Digital Image Creation and Development,  
Network Security,  
Work-based Experience,  
Computer Games Design and Development,  
Local Area Networking Technologies,  
IT Security Management

You will be taught over 3 days a week through a mixture of lectures, seminars and workshops. There will also be the opportunity to attend lectures from expert speakers. This course is 100% coursework assessed. This includes written essays, reports, presentations, video, practical assignments and observations.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**HNC** GCSE Maths & English A\*- C (or IELTS 5.5)  
Any Level 3 qualification equivalent to 120 UCAS points OR  
*Adequate work experience / professional qualifications*

**HND** Completed HNC or equivalent  
(see HNC requirements)

## COURSE FEES

**HNC/HND:** £3600 per course per year | **International students:** £6050



# HNC / HND in Applied Chemistry

## OVERVIEW

This programme provides the skills and knowledge demanded by the modern science industry and the course is designed to equip those who wish to work in chemical-related industries with the employability attributes and the practical expertise to thrive within this sector. This course will also give you the opportunity to top up your studies at university to gain a full honours degree in chemistry or an applied science subject.

## COURSE CONTENT

### Year 1 (HNC)

Inorganic Chemistry,  
Organic Chemistry,  
Physical Chemistry,  
Chemical Laboratory Techniques,  
Analysis of Scientific Data and Information,  
Personal and Professional Development,  
Medicinal Chemistry,  
Work-based Experience

### Year 2 (HND)

Inorganic Chemistry of Crystal Structures and Transition Metal Complexes,  
Organic Chemistry of Aromatic and Carbonyl Compounds,  
Environmental Monitoring and Analysis,  
Environmental Management and Conservation,  
Nuclear Chemistry,  
Biochemistry of Macromolecules and Metabolic Pathways, Employability Skills,  
Project in Applied Science

Classes take place in our new and well-equipped laboratories fitted with advanced equipment. You will have lectures three days a week, through a mixture of classes and laboratory sessions making use of virtual learning environments where appropriate. The course is assessed entirely through coursework. The nature of this may include a variety of methods including observation, short answer questioning and vivas as well as more traditional report writing and assignments. Practical skills will also be assessed.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**HNC** GCSE Maths & English A\*- C (or IELTS 5.5)  
Any Level 3 qualification equivalent to 120 UCAS points OR  
*Adequate work experience / professional qualifications*

**HND** Completed HNC or equivalent  
(see HNC requirements)

## COURSE FEES

**HNC/HND:** £4050 per course per year | **International students:** £6500



# HNC / HND in Health & Social Care

## OVERVIEW

This specialised vocational programme provides the skills and knowledge demanded of the modern health and social care industry. It is designed to equip those who wish to work in related industries with the employability skills and the practical expertise to thrive within this sector.

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## COURSE CONTENT

### Year 1 (HNC)

Communicating in Organisations,  
Principles of Health and Social Care Practice,  
Health and Safety in the Workplace,  
Personal and Professional Development,  
Working in Partnership,  
The Role of Public Health in Health Promotion,  
Psychology for Health & Social Care,  
Understanding Specific Needs

### Year 2 (HND)

Research Project,  
Safeguarding in Health and Social Care,  
Contemporary Issues in Health and  
Social Care,  
Employability Skills,  
Social Policy,  
Supporting Significant Life Events

Classes take place in our modern and well-equipped classrooms. The assessment of the course is based on a range of academic and practical assignments including controlled tests, written reports, presentations and practical demonstrations. The course also includes a range of compulsory work placement opportunities. Additionally, existing employees studying this course may be able to take up management modules to further develop their careers.

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## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

**HNC** GCSE English A\* - C (or IELTS 5.5)  
Any Level 3 qualification equivalent to 120 UCAS points OR  
*Adequate work experience / professional qualifications (see [harrow.ac.uk](http://harrow.ac.uk) for more info)*

**HND** Completed HNC or equivalent  
(see HNC requirements)

\*All students are required to undergo an enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Check, a Fitness for Practice assessment and must confirm that they are fully vaccinated in line with the UK immunisation schedule (or will be in time for work placement).

## COURSE FEES

**HNC/HND:** £3600 per course per year | **International students:** £6050

# HOW TO APPLY

## UK STUDENTS

Please apply through the UCAS website at **[www.ucas.ac.uk](http://www.ucas.ac.uk)**. Once we receive your UCAS application, we will contact you to attend an interview with the College. If you need support or any advice when completing your application please contact the Careers & Employability Team at Harrow College.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

For instructions on how to apply please see information under the International section of our website (**[www.harrow.ac.uk](http://www.harrow.ac.uk)**). You can email your completed application form and other documents to **[admissionshh@harrow.ac.uk](mailto:admissionshh@harrow.ac.uk)**.

## USEFUL LINKS

[www.britishcouncil.org](http://www.britishcouncil.org)

[www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk](http://www.bia.homeoffice.gov.uk)

[www.ukcisa.org.uk](http://www.ukcisa.org.uk)

[www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk](http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk)



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# TESTIMONIALS

## Meet Our Students

We asked some of our Higher Education students to share their thoughts about studying at Harrow College. A number of students remain in contact with us through our Harrow College Alumni after they leave which allows us to stay in contact, keep up to date with their career progression and invite them back to speak with our current students.



“The lecturers at Harrow College sincerely care about their students and are always available to help you. They are genuinely enthusiastic and make learning fun. I’m really enjoying my HND project work and the work experience week that I did with the Coca Cola Enterprise was amazing!”

**Jevgenija Beresneva**  
HND in Applied Chemistry

“I enjoy studying at Harrow College as the support from teachers and staff is great. My course tutors always go the extra mile to help me and the careers services are brilliant, especially the mock interview preparation offered before going for a university interview. I am so happy I choose this college as I have now achieved a place at university.”

**Sophia Streeks**  
HNC in Health and Social Care



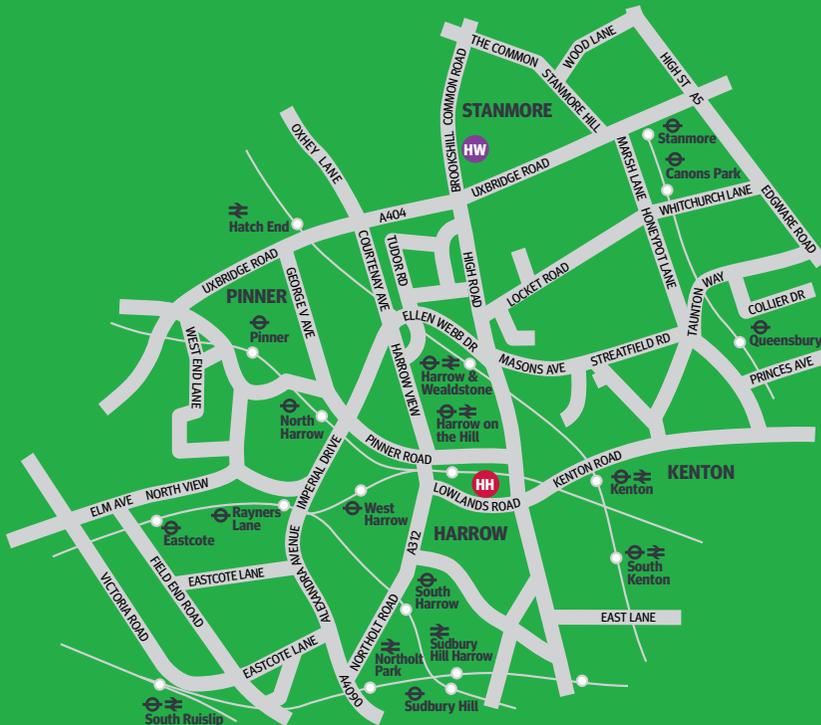
“The enabling environment of Harrow College and the wonderful lecturers helped me to learn well and motivated me to complete my tasks on time. Now that I have completed my HNC in Computing course at Harrow College, I am looking forward to completing my Bachelor’s Degree in Computing.”

**Ananthan Rajasingam**  
HNC in Computing (Graduate)



# HOW TO FIND US

Harrow College has two main campuses for Higher Education in London. Both have excellent travel links and are easily accessible by public transport.



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## Harrow on the Hill campus

Lowlands Road, Harrow, HA1

The College is a two minute walk from Harrow on the Hill station, on the Metropolitan and main line from Marylebone. Many buses stop at Harrow on the Hill bus station, next to the Underground station.

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## Harrow Weald campus

Brookshill, Harrow Weald, HA3

The Bakerloo and main line from Euston stop at Harrow & Wealdstone station. From there take the 258 towards Watford Junction, which stops in Brookshill, the 340 and 182 also stop close to the College. From Stanmore (Jubilee line) take the H12.

For more travel information or to get specific directions go to [www.tfl.gov.uk](http://www.tfl.gov.uk) or phone Transport for London customer services on 0343 222 1234 (24hour travel information).

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