



Sport and outdoor education

If you're the sporty type, love the outdoors or are planning a career in the uniformed services such as the police force, army or fire service, we offer the facilities and training to prepare and qualify you for your first move.

Facilities include fully equipped sports halls and fitness suites at both our main sites – Ashington and Kirkley Hall. We also have a huge sports field and a high ropes course, plus a water sports centre at Blyth, with access to some of the most beautiful and challenging countryside in England for outdoor adventurous activities.

We are registered with many of the national training organisations for sport and leisure, and our courses range from level 1 - 3 in sport science, outdoor education and uniformed services.

You can study for a career in uniformed services such as the police force, army or fire service, where you will learn how to handle emergency situations, participate in outdoor expeditions and lead teams.

In addition to the full time courses, students get the opportunity to gain valuable industry related qualifications and have access to a wide range of leisure activities.

Career opportunities...

Outdoor activity instructor, fitness or gym instructor, police, army, fire service, or teaching are just some of the careers available to you if you study a course in sport and leisure, outdoor industries or uniformed public services.

Interested in an Apprenticeship?

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Level 1 - Diploma in Sport and Active Leisure (Including Uniformed Services)

Code SPT0013P / SPT0050F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you are interested in a career in the sport and leisure industry or in uniformed public services such as the police force, army or fire service.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at grade F.

Level 1 - Certificate for Entry in Public Services (Uniformed)

Code SPT0050F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you are interested in training for a career in the uniformed services such as police, army or fire service.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at grade F or a relevant entry level qualification.

Level 2 - Diploma in Sport

Code SPT0074F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you are interested in a career in the sport and leisure industry or in uniformed public services such as the police force, army or fire service.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at grade D or a relevant Level 1 qualification.

Level 2 - Apprenticeship Activity Leadership

Code TBC **Location** Kirkley Hall

Ideal if... you work in the outdoor industry and want to develop your skills and gain a qualification.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at grade D or above, including English and maths, or a relevant level 1 qualification and be employed in the industry.

Level 2 - Certificate in Outdoor Activity Leadership

Code SPT0058F **Location** Kirkley Hall

Ideal if... you are interested in pursuing a career in the outdoor industry.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at grade D. Candidates are expected to have previous experience in one or more of the following outdoor activities: rock climbing, canoeing, kayaking, hill-walking / mountaineering, high ropes / teambuilding activities. If your experience is limited in climbing and kayaking, then you will be required to become a member of a local climbing or kayaking group to gain further experience prior to the start of the course.

Level 2 - Diploma in Public Services (Uniformed)

Code SPT0051F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you are motivated to develop a career in the uniformed services such as army, police or fire service.

Entry requirements



You should have two GCSEs at D or a relevant level 1 qualification.

Level 3 - Subsidiary Diploma / Extended Diploma in Sport and Exercise Science

Code SPT0061F / SPT0005F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you want to work in the sport or fitness industry or progress to higher education. You will study six core units which include sport and exercise psychology, skill acquisition and practical sport coaching.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above, or a relevant level 2 qualification.

Level 3 - Diploma for Outdoor Learning

Code SPT0007F **Location** Kirkley Hall

Ideal if... you are interested in a career in the outdoor industry and developing your skills in outdoor activity leadership.

Entry requirements

You should have successfully completed the Level 1/2 Certificate in Outdoor Activity Leadership or equivalent level 2 qualifications or have previous experience in climbing and paddle-sports and activity leadership experience in the outdoor industry.

Level 3 - NVQ 3 Diploma in Outdoor Programmes

Code SPT0003F **Location** Kirkley Hall

Ideal if... you are interested in a career in a supervisory role in the outdoor education industry.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above, or have either completed the Level 3 Diploma in Outdoor Learning, have a relevant level 2 qualification or extensive Outdoor Education and work experience.

Level 3 - Subsidiary Diploma / Extended Diploma in Uniformed Public Services

Code SPT0060F / SPT0062F **Location** Ashington

Ideal if... you want to train for the uniformed public services such as the police force, army or fire service, either to enter directly into employment or progress to higher education.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above, or a relevant level 2 qualification.

Level 3 - Advanced Apprenticeship Outdoor Programmes

Code TBC **Location** Kirkley Hall

Ideal if... you work in the outdoor industry and want to develop your skills and gain a higher level qualification.

Entry requirements



You should have four GCSEs at grade C or above, including English and maths, or a relevant level 2 qualification and be employed in the industry.