

# Enterprise & Gardening

**09 Sep 2024 (Hammersmith)**

**Study Mode: Full Time / Location: Hammersmith**

This course is designed to support students to develop skills in Enterprise, Gardening. Students will have an opportunity to grow fruits and vegetables in our polytunnel as well as cook and sell our organic vegetables. This introductory course will give you the basic knowledge about Gardening and the opportunity to gain practical skills. You will gain knowledge of Health and Safety working practices relevant to the field.

Independent Living skills are embedded in the course giving students an opportunity to develop greater independence with personal hygiene, basic cooking, healthy exercise, employability and communicating with others. The programme of study will include Maths, English and ICT development alongside the practical subjects.

This course is for students that have previous horticulture experience or are interested in progressing onto further learning or training in this field. We make use of our Gardening lessons to improve our communication skills with others and take parts in discussions about endangered animals, habitats and animal groups. Lessons will develop student's confidence to present work to others and talk about important topics like climate change, sustainability.

We have a range of different enterprise projects as a coffee shop, soap project and selling our organic vegetables in order to develop money skills since the beginning of the academic year.

This course will develop your Maths and English by embedding essentials into every learning session. You will also work towards national Functional Skills qualifications. This course is all about developing you in readiness for the next step in your journey towards adulthood and independence. Additionally, learners can access a range of employability skills via our various enterprise projects.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Formal qualifications are not essential.

Learners will attend interview and English and Maths assessment.

For learners with an EHC plan, the college will require a formal consultation from their Local Authority.

Ideally for learners at Entry 1 and Entry 2

## **ASSESSMENT METHOD**

All students will compile a portfolio of evidence that will contain a mixture of photographs, witness statements, personal statements and course work. The portfolios are internally assessed and verified prior to external verification by an Awarding Body.

Some students complete a portfolio which records their progress and development using RARPA (Recognising and Recording Personal Achievement), these portfolios are internally verified.

Most students will be entered for Functional Skills English and Maths live assessments at the level indicated during initial assessments and verified through continuous diagnostic assessments.

## **PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES**

Progression for each learner is individually planned. If students successfully complete this programme of study they can progress onto another vocational pathway, Foundation learning, Supported Internship or mainstream options. Some learners at the end of their academic journey will progress onto community Provision.

Progression subject to students meeting eligibility criteria.

## **STUDY METHODS**

Learners will be assessed at the start of their course. Teaching and Learning will be differentiated to meet individual needs.

All students will participate in small group sessions comprising no more than 10 students. The study methods are a mix of practical, theory and independent research completed by students with appropriate support.

You will be required to:

- Undertake enterprise activities and fundraising events as part of the course.
- Work as part of a team and support others.
- Undertake specified work experience placements.