## SGS COLLEGE



## LEARNER HANDBOOK FOR ADULTS



# Welcome to SGS College



Dear Learner,

Welcome to South Gloucestershire and Stroud College. Whether you're returning to education, upskilling for a new career, or pursuing a personal ambition, I'm delighted you've chosen SGS as your learning partner.

At SGS, our mission is simple yet powerful: we positively change people's lives and add value to the social and economic well-being of our communities. We do this by offering high-quality, innovative, and accessible education in a culture built on honesty, respect, responsibility, and care.

As an adult learner, you bring a wealth of experience, perspective, and ambition to our college community. We recognise the unique challenges and opportunities that adult education presents, and we are committed to supporting you every step of the way. From flexible course options and tailored learning support to wellbeing services and career guidance, our teams are here to help you succeed.

We make a difference by putting learners like you at the heart of everything we do. We celebrate diversity, foster ambition, and strive to create an inclusive environment where everyone can thrive. Whether you're studying in the classroom, online, in the workplace, or in the community, you are part of a college that values your journey and is invested in your future.

I encourage you to make the most of your time here: ask questions, seek support, connect with others, and embrace the opportunities ahead.

You are not just joining a college - you are joining a community that believes in your potential.

On behalf of everyone at SGS, I wish you a fulfilling and successful learning experience.

Warm regards,



David Withey
Chief Executive Officer & Principal
South Gloucestershire and Stroud College

## Introduction to SGS

Firstly, the Adult Team would like to extend a warm welcome to you at SGS College. We look forward to supporting you as part of our adult community. As you learn with us, we aim to help you develop your skills, knowledge, and abilities while also building your confidence, self-esteem, and aspirations.

Lifelong learning is proven to support a longer, healthier, and more fulfilling life. That's why we offer a wide range of courses from those that promote good mental health and relaxation, to programmes that stimulate the mind and encourage physical fitness.

We also understand that adult life can be demanding, with work and family often taking priority. That's why our courses are designed with flexibility in mind. With recognised qualifications, accessible study resources, and a qualified teacher/assessor supporting you every step of the way, it's never been easier to balance study alongside your other commitments.

Our adult SGS community is happy, respectful, and welcoming. We promote positive behaviours and inclusive language, creating a culture where every learner is valued, respected, and supported as an individual.

PEARSON NATIONAL TEACHING AWARDS OFSTEUMIC OUTSTANDING OUTSTANDING ADULT PROVISION We're proud to share that in our 2024 Ofsted Inspection, the College's adult provision was rated Outstanding - the highest possible grade. Inspectors praised our exceptional teaching, learning, and support, highlighting our commitment to life-enhancing education for adults at every stage.

One of our key strengths is our strong partnerships with local employers, ensuring our courses are aligned with real-world skills needs. By listening to businesses, we offer programmes that boost employability, build confidence, and open doors to new opportunities.

We know returning to education as an adult can be a big step. SGS College provides a welcoming, inclusive environment where learners feel supported, valued, and empowered - whether you're changing careers, upskilling, or learning for personal growth.

To make sure you get the right support, we encourage learners to share any specific needs during enrolment. Our experienced Learning Support Team is always here to help - on your terms.

At SGS College, you're not just joining a course – you're joining a vibrant community where your goals and well-being truly matter.



#### The key to SGS College is;

- · We are here for the long haul, not just for an episode of learning
- · We are for lifestyle as well as vocation
- · We are part of your life and you are part of our adult community
- Our tutors are qualified professionals/occupational specialists and deliver our adult courses in our up to date facilities on our five main campuses including Filton, WISE, Stroud, Queens Road and Horizon. We also deliver at many venues within the community.

For the latest information about courses, dates and times. please visit our website: www.sgscol.ac.uk

Our part-time curriculum is designed and developed with you, our learner, in mind.

#### We aim to guide you to:

- · Enjoy a modern learning environment with state-of-the-art facilities on our four main campuses
- · Develop and acquire new skills and knowledge
- · Build confidence, self-esteem and improve health and well-being
- · Continue career development and aspirations with a range of professional qualifications across a wide range of sectors and professions
- · Choose from flexible study options to suit your lifestyle with both day, evening and online courses
- · Access a range of learning support services where appropriate including, careers guidance, counselling, financial advice and guidance, learning support, disability access and robust policies and procedures
- · Claim financial support (if eligible) to assist with course fees, resources. materials, childcare and travel expenses



## Student Cards and Lanyards

If your course is face-to-face at a Campus or community venue, please visit Reception a couple of days before your course starts and ask for your student ID badge and lanyard.

If you are not able to visit the College before the day your course starts, please arrive 30 minutes before your start time to enable you to collect your lanyard.

Lanyards are worn for your own safety and security and must be worn at all times whilst on site.

Your ID card and lanyard allow you to access certain areas of the College, such as Library Plus+.

Please note that lanyards are not applicable if you apply for an online course.

## **Key contacts**

General Switchboard 0800 0567 252

Wellbeing Service & Students Union 0117 909 2297

Learning Support Team 0117 909 2365 (Filton) 01453 761224 (Stroud)

### Resources

Your tutor will confirm what is appropriate for your course, but these are some of the resources we offer.

### SGSPlus+ Personal and Social Development for Adults

This is your hub for essential guidance throughout your journey at SGS College.

Within this resource, you can explore key Personal and Social Development themes, including British Values, PREVENT, and Equality, Diversity & Inclusion - all designed to help you build awareness and confidence in modern society.

You'll also find sessions focused on Online Safety, Careers Support, and Employability Skills, offering practical advice to help you stay safe, plan your future, and prepare for the workplace.

This page provides clear Information, Advice and Guidance to support your personal growth and development. Discover resources that empower you to make informed choices and thrive in adult education.

In addition to core content, this resource offers access to further courses and signposts to additional pages for deeper learning and support.

Your personal and social development matters – let SGSPlus+ guide your next steps.

#### **eCampus**

eCampus provides you with useful information about the support and services that you may get while you are studying at SGS College, such as careers advice and guidance, counselling, welfare, bursaries and Student Union activity.

eCampus also contains useful shortcuts to all College online systems like Microsoft Teams, ProPortal, your College email account and updates to current activities and events in College. You can access eCampus by clicking this link: <a href="http://ecampus.sgscol.ac.uk/">http://ecampus.sgscol.ac.uk/</a>

Once you are enrolled you need to login the first time from a College computer to activate your account. Your login name is your student number (SGS#####) and the password is your date of birth (DDMMYY). The first time you log in you will be asked to reset your password to something of your choice.

#### **Microsoft Office 365**

Your College login also gives you access to the full range of widely used software included in Microsoft Office 365, including:

- Word a standard wordprocessing package
- Excel a spreadsheet software package
- PowerPoint standard software for creating presentations
- Outlook online calendar and email functions
- SharePoint online hosting of key College documents
- Teams Microsoft software used within SGS College as a digital learning environment (see below)

#### **Microsoft Teams**

Microsoft Teams is a digital learning environment that brings conversations, content, and assignments together in one place.

Teams allows the College to enhance and enrich your learning experience with course content presented on industry standard applications and accessible from any PC or mobile device with an internet connection.

You can connect, collaborate, and engage with discussions, projects and interactive activities such as quizzes, polls, and other digital media.

For most courses you will automatically be added to the Adult Learning Hub on Teams at enrolment on an appropriate course. Here you will find all the relevant information for your course and your studies at SGS College. All updates for your learner group will be posted onto this hub.

For some courses, this is where you can submit assessments, check for feedback from your tutor, and find out your marks or grades. You can also provide course feedback which your tutor will use to check individual progress, inform future planning and help improve delivery.

To access Teams and its associated applications, you should use the same College credentials you use to access College PCs and email. If you have trouble logging in from home or require a password reset, please email our IT department: Helpdesk@sgscol.ac.uk

For our well-being courses such as yoga and mindfulness, these courses are delivered via Zoom. On enrolment you will be emailed a username and password to access the sessions.



## **Campus Facilities**

SGS College Campuses provide exceptional, state-of-the-art facilities to ensure you're in an environment where you can focus on your future. Our facilities ensure that you have the tools you need to get the most out of your time at the College.

We have five main campuses:

- Filton
- WISE
- · Bristol School of Art, Queen's Road
- Stroud
- Horizon



## Campus Opening Times

#### **Filton Campus**

Monday 8.30am-5.30pm Tuesday 8.30am-9pm Wednesday 8.30am-9pm Thursday 8.30am-5.30pm Friday 8.30am-5.30pm

#### **WISE Campus**

Monday 8.30am-5.30pm Tuesday 8.30am-9.15pm Wednesday 8.30am-9.15pm Thursday 8.30am-9.15pm Friday 8.30am-5.30pm

#### Bristol School of Art, Queen's Road

Monday 8.30am-4.30pm Tuesday 8.30am-9pm Wednesday 8.30am-9pm Thursday 8.30am-9pm Friday 8.30am-4.30pm

#### **Stroud Campus**

Monday 8.30am-6.30pm Tuesday 8.30am-6.30pm Wednesday 8.30am-9.30pm Thursday 8.30am-9.30pm Friday 8.30am-6.30pm

#### **SGS Horizon**

Monday to Friday 8.30am-4pm



#### LibraryPlus+

Please note that opening hours will vary during the holidays.

Our LibraryPlus+ Centres on each campus offer a blend of traditional library services and digital support. In addition to helping you access online journals and databases, our team provides guidance on using wider college systems to support your studies - this includes help with digital tools, platforms, and resources essential for learning. We also offer support in accessing our laptop lockers, so you can stay connected and productive while on campus.

LibraryPlus+ is a quiet, supported environment ideal for both independent study and group work. Our book collections span all course subjects, alongside fiction, general interest titles, journals, and a selection of audio and DVD resources.

To further support your learning, Study Skills Facilitators are available in each LibraryPlus Centre to provide one-to-one support, including help with digital skills. You can book a session directly in the library or via the LibraryPlus eCampus page.



## Canteen Opening Hours (during term)

Opening hours will be different during the holidays. All of our larger campuses have food outlets and/or vending machines, with the exception of Queens Road and Horizon.

#### Free Lunch for Adult Learners

To support your wellbeing and learning, adult learners attending classes over the lunchtime period are invited to enjoy a free lunch of soup and a roll while on campus.

This initiative helps ensure you're well-fed and ready to focus, while also offering extra support during the ongoing cost of living challenges. We understand that finances can be tight, and we're committed to making college a welcoming and accessible place for all.

#### **Filton Campus**

The refectory at Filton serves hot and cold food from 8.30am to 2pm Monday to Friday.

In addition, the coffee shop is open: Monday 8.30am-2.30pm Tuesday 8.30am-2.30pm & 4.30pm-7.30pm Wednesday 8.30am-2.30pm & 4.30pm-7.30pm Thursday 8.30am-2.30pm Friday 8.30am 2.30pm

#### **WISE Campus**

The refectory at WISE is open: Monday 8.30am-2.30pm Tuesday 8.30am-2.30pm & 4.30pm-7.30pm Wednesday 8.30am-2.30pm & 4.30pm-7.30pm Thursday 8.30am-2.30pm Friday 8.30am-2.30pm

#### **Stroud Campus**

The refectory at Stroud is open: Monday 8.30am-2pm Tuesday 8.30am-2pm Wednesday 8.30am-2pm & 4.30pm-7.30pm Thursday 8.30am-2pm Friday 8.30am-2pm



### **Travel**

#### **Filton Campus**

We encourage learners to use more environmentally friendly forms of travel, wherever possible, such as public transport or our SGS bus services. We aim to reduce car use as much as possible. For general information about how to get to our campuses, see:

http://www.sgscol.ac.uk/findus

### Parking on Campus (Filton, WISE, Stroud)

Car parking on site is free of charge for registered learners but you do need to register your car yourself, before you visit the campus. There is no parking on site at our Queen's Road Campus.

You will need to set up an online account and register your vehicle. Please note permits are electronic so you don't need to display anything on your car. You need your student ID number and your vehicle registration number to create your account at:

https://www.sgscol.ac.uk/college-parking

Parking is on a first come, first served basis whilst spaces are available; if the car park is full when you arrive, unfortunately you will need to find alternative parking offsite.

Parking spaces are not reserved and at peak times it may be difficult to find a parking space. We strongly encourage carsharing if possible. All sites with parking have designated spaces for disabled learners so please display your blue badge clearly when using these spaces.

The vehicle owner/driver is wholly responsible for ensuring the vehicle has a valid parking e-permit and that it is parked responsibly (within an allocated space). The College does not accept any responsibility for your failure to do this where a Parking Charge Notice (PCN) has been issued. Should you receive a PCN either through the post or on your windscreen you must contact the car park management company (UKCPM) by following the instructions printed on it.

### Bus Services (including SGS College subsidised bus)

SGS College is well served by local bus services. To find out about buses and routes in your area, please go to: <a href="http://www.traveline.info/">http://www.traveline.info/</a>

#### First Bus termly tickets

SGS College is pleased to have teamed up with First Bus to provided discounted termly travel in Bristol via its 'mTickets' app, making it cheaper to get to College. Full details of pricing, downloading the App, routes etc. can be viewed at: <a href="https://www.firstgroup.com/sgs">https://www.firstgroup.com/sgs</a>

With the First Bus termly 'mTickets', not only do learners get travel to college, but the ticket allows unlimited travel at the evenings and weekends too!

#### SGS College subsidised bus service

In addition, SGS College has invested in providing students from the BS15 and BS16 areas with an SGS subsidised bus service. Further details, including timetables, routes and how to buy a pass online, can be found at:

There is also a shuttle bus service between Filton and WISE Campuses, which runs regularly throughout the day in term time. Timetables for the service are available at the reception desks.

#### **Train Services**

It is only a short walk to our WISE Campus from Bristol Parkway and Bristol Abbey Wood railway stations. Filton Campus is also an easy walk from Bristol Abbey Wood railway station, and there is a frequent bus service from Parkway train station to our Filton Campus. Stroud Campus is conveniently situated a short walk away from Stroud train station also.

It is easy to get to Queen's Road from Clifton Down railway station, or from Bristol Temple Meads with a number 8 or 9 bus, getting off at the top of Park Street.

As a student you can purchase a Student Railcard. This will qualify you for reduced fares (up to a third off) if you meet the criteria. To purchase one you'll need to provide:

- Proof that you are studying 15 hours per week if you are a mature student
- · A passport-sized photograph

You will be charged £35 a year for the Student Railcard. You can check whether the discounts make this a useful investment for you, at: <a href="https://www.16-25railcard.co.uk">https://www.16-25railcard.co.uk</a>

#### Bikes

SGS College encourages travel by bike; all of our campuses are equipped with secure bicycle pods. Students are advised to use strong and effective locks to secure their bicycles as the College cannot accept responsibility for bikes left on the premises. Bristol was named the UK's first cycle city and is fortunate to have a large integrated cycling network. Use CycleStreets to plan your journey.

#### **Electric Scooters**

It is currently illegal in the UK to use privately owned electric scooters on public roads, pavements or cycle lanes and only on private land with the permission of the landowner. The College, therefore, cannot accept any responsibility for e-scooters (or any other personal belonging) brought onto Campus and doesn't give permission for e-scooters to be used on Campus.

Electric scooters are a convenient and ecofriendly way to get around Bristol, especially for SGS College learners. With rental schemes like Voi and Tier, students aged 18+ with a driving licence can access discounted rides, making commuting to Campus quick, affordable, and sustainable. You can find out more at <u>WESTscoot and</u> <u>WESTbike hire - WEST</u>

E-scooter users are expected to:

- Dismount on arrival to Campus for their safety and the safety of others. Escooters are not to be ridden on and around Campus
- If brought onto Campus, e-scooters should be stored in the bicycle storage units provided and should be secured with a D-lock (recommended) or similar security device. The same applies to bicycle users
- E-scooters must not be taken into College buildings
- SGS College does not provide on-site charging facilities and e-scooters should not be charged on Campus



## **Finance**

If your course incurs fees you will receive an invoice and payment links by email before the course starts. Payments can be made online by credit or debit card. To pay course fees, academy membership fees, exam fees or library fines, the person making the payment will need the following information:

- · Student ID number
- · Student's date of birth
- · Credit/debit card details

#### Money Management Service (MMS)

The Money Management Service (MMS) is here to provide you with information, advice and guidance on the financial support that is available while you study a further education course with SGS College. Please email the team at mms@sgscol.ac.uk or see the MMS webpage, at: <a href="https://www.sgscol.ac.uk/mms">https://www.sgscol.ac.uk/mms</a>

#### Refunds

Refunds are granted only in exceptional cases with senior approval and processed by authorised Finance staff. They may apply if the College closes, reduces a course, or gave incorrect enrolment advice, but not for changes beyond the College's control. Course complaints must follow the College's complaints procedure. Visa-refused international students receive a refund minus a £250 fee



## Student Benefits

#### Students' Union (SU) & Discounts

The SU is a group of elected students who run activities, clubs and events but - most importantly – it represents you. The SU is run by students for students!

The team are elected annually by learners and students. Any enrolled student can run for President or Vice President or have a say on who is elected and how the SU is run.

All students are automatically members of the Students' Union unless they opt out. There are a number of ways to get involved with the SU, whether it's giving your opinion or committing to join the team.

#### You can:

- · Be part of the student community
- · Help to run SU learner elections
- Get involved in clubs, societies and events – or organise your own
- Receive discounts on a wide range of products and services

#### **UNIDAYS & Student Beans**

UNIDAYS and Student Beans are free-touse platforms that verify your student status and unlock student-only discounts on everything from clothing and tech to food, travel, and fitness.

- · Totally free to sign up
- Access to discounts from top brands like Apple, ASOS, Nike, Spotify, Amazon, and more
- Easy to use via website or mobile app
- Great for everyday savings and bigger purchases

#### How to Get Started:

- 1. Download the apps:
  - myunidays.com
  - studentbeans.com
- 2. Sign up with your College email and verify your student status
- 3. Browse deals and start saving instantly online or in-store

#### International Student Identity Card (ISIC)

The ISIC card is the only internationally accepted proof of certified student status. The International Student Identity Card (ISIC) is your access to fantastic discounts and services at home and around the world. Your ISIC card is accepted in over 130 countries, as well as at your favourite UK high street retailers, restaurants,



## **Careers Advice**

Employability is at the heart of all the curricula at SGS College. You will receive a lot of advice on your course by the professionals working in your subject area. SGS College also has a dedicated Careers Service which can offer advice on topics including interview technique, job seeking, and further study opportunities.

Please contact our Careers Adviser if you would like to book an appointment, by email at:

Bristolcareers@sgscol.ac.uk Stroudcareers@sgscol.ac.uk

## **Wellbeing Support**

It's not always easy to start with caring for your well-being, but sometimes taking part in something creative can help distract you from difficult thoughts or feelings, or help you to process them. It can also be rewarding.

For many this could be painting, gardening, listening to or playing a musical instrument, doing a jigsaw or exercising. The key thing is to just focus on enjoying yourself.

Mindfulness is a way of paying attention to the present moment, using techniques like meditation, breathing exercises and yoga. It's been shown to help people become more aware of their thoughts and feelings. This means that instead of being overwhelmed by your feelings, it becomes easier to manage them. SGS College also offers free yoga, mindfulness and creative courses for wellbeing. These can be found on our website at:

https://www.sqscol.ac.uk/study/parttime

Your module tutor and personal tutor are good to ask for help in the first instance. It's important that they know if you have any worries or problems that might affect your ability to engage with your studies.

Sometimes, though, you may also need to speak to someone who specialises in a particular type of support. You may have mental or physical health issues, or a hidden learning difficulty such as dyslexia, and we have staff who are well trained to help you get the support you need.

We are able to offer confidential advice, information and guidance to support our students' wellbeing, where appropriate. We can help with strategies to manage stress and anxiety; mediation and advocacy in resolving conflicts; and signposting to other services. Please contact us via: wellbeingservice@sgscol.ac.uk



## Safeguarding

Each and every learner's welfare is of paramount importance. We fully recognise that is it the responsibility of all staff to ensure that learners are safe within the college environment and this includes raising awareness of and having a zero-tolerance approach to bullying, ensuring learners are safe on and around the college campuses and external venues, paying due regards to our responsibilities to health and safety and the risks of radicalisation.

Section 42 of the Care Act 2014 states that safeguarding enquiries should be made where:

- A person has needs for care and support Is experiencing or at risk of abuse or neglect
- Is unable to protect him/her/themselves against the abuse or neglect or the risk of it

Our designated Safeguarding Officers are on hand and can be found on the website: www.sqscol.ac.uk/safeguarding

## SGS Counselling Service

Life can be challenging and our ability to handle situations can vary from day to day.

Many learners may be working, raising children and families, caring for loved ones or living with illnesses as well as studying with us. The balance of all this can be a struggle, and something be overwhelming so our confidential one to one counselling is available for those who seek it.

The sessions are subject to demand and we try to help as many as possible, we also offer other support like Togetherall and Student Space.

We encourage strongly that anyone facing any difficulties approach their tutor or one of our student support teams so we can support and possibly reduce the impact upon wellbeing and studies. Email <a href="wellbeingservice@sgscol.ac.uk">wellbeingservice@sgscol.ac.uk</a>



## Values and culture

SGS College aims to create a culture where all learners are able to thrive within a positive and productive environment. It is our priority to instil core values to ensure all learners feel safe, respected and included. During your learning experience, we will ensure you develop a sound understanding of our key values:

- Democracy We will ensure that you have the opportunity to have your voice heard with regards to your learner experience. This will take place during Voice of the Learner meetings and learner surveys.
- The Rule of Law You will agree to a Learner Code of Conduct, which outlines your rights and responsibilities as a learner and ensures everyone, regardless of their protected characteristics, can learn in an environment which is fair and equal.
- Individual Liberty You will have the opportunity to explore your interests and identity within a safe space, without fear of judgement. You will have the chance to develop your learning and development on a personal and social level by joining a range of societies and committees.
- Mutual Respect and Tolerance We embrace our diverse learner and staff community, value the perspectives of all individuals, and take a stand against discrimination whenever it occurs.



## Prevent and awareness

Prevent is a government strategy which has been designed to stop people supporting terrorism or extremist causes or ideologies. As a provider of education, we have an important role to play in Prevent, particularly in ensuring balanced debate as well as freedom of speech. We also have a clear responsibility to exercise a duty of care and to protect the welfare of our learners.

We place the highest priority on ensuring the safety of all members of our community; as such the College adheres to its legal and moral duties to do all that it can to prevent individuals from being drawn in to terrorism. We promote values and encourage staff and our learners to engage positively with efforts to enhance equality, diversity and inclusion within the College community and beyond.

Under Prevent, we also have a duty to ensure that any person identified with any vulnerabilities are given the appropriate advice and support. The Equality Act 2010 covers 9 characteristics which are protected against discrimination namely:

- Age
- · Disability
- · Gender reassignment
- · Marriage and civil partnership
- · Pregnancy and maternity
- Race
- · Religion and belief
- Sex
- · Sexual orientation

All of our staff have been trained on the range of possible vulnerabilities that would indicate that an individual may need support whilst with SGS College. We urge all staff and learners to be vigilant and to refer any concerns to a safeguarding officer should they see or hear anything which would be either classed as discrimination or indicate any concerns under the Prevent duty.

## **Student Space**

Student Space is a free national service run by Student Minds. Support can be accessed by text, phone, webchat or email.

Telephone lines are free and available from 4pm-1pm. SMS is also free and available 24 hours and the webchat is available between 4pm-11pm via <a href="https://studentspace.org.uk/">https://studentspace.org.uk/</a>

### Togetherall

In order to enhance our support for all learners, SGS have invested in Togetherall which is a safe, online community where people support each other anonymously to improve mental health and well-being.

Togetherall provides 24/7 peer to peer and professional support from experience clinicians who are always available.

There are also a range of tools to help learners self manage their well-being.

## Complaints & Appeals Procedure

SGS College aims to positively change lives and contribute to the social and economic well-being of our communities.

We achieve this by providing high-quality, innovative, and accessible education and training within a friendly culture of mutual respect and support.

We welcome feedback from all College users - learners, employers, staff, and other stakeholders - as it helps us improve our services. We also recognise that, at times, experiences may fall below our usual standards. To address this, we have a Complaints Procedure available on the SGS website: <a href="www.sgscol.ac.uk/about-us/policies">www.sgscol.ac.uk/about-us/policies</a>.

If you have concerns or prefer to give informal feedback, learners can contact us at: <a href="mailto:talktous@sgscol.ac.uk">talktous@sgscol.ac.uk</a>



## Learner Charter/Relational Policy

SGS College offers many facilities and benefits to its learners and students and aims to provide everyone with a safe, stimulating and enjoyable learning experience. This depends on learners and students following the Student Code of Conduct, which you can find on our policies webpage, at:

https://www.sqscol.ac.uk/policies

## Health and Safety Duty Manager

Each Campus has a daily Duty Manager. The Duty Manager is responsible for dealing with all emergencies and incidents that impact on students, staff, visitors and the building. The front of house Customer Experience Team on Reception can tell you the name of the Duty Manager.

### **First Aid**

First Aid can be obtained at Reception. Many staff are certified First Aiders – please try asking one of them for help if you need it.



## Accidents & Incidents

All accidents and 'near misses', however minor, must be reported to your teacher or tutor immediately.

- A College First Aider will attend if required
- An accident report form will be completed
- The accident procedure will be explained during your induction
- The College accepts no responsibility for the loss or damage of personal belongings whilst on College premises.
   Please ensure you have insurance in place to cover your personal belongings
- If something you own is damaged or stolen while at College, please report this immediately to your tutor
- An incident report will be completed, and staff will advise on how to proceed

### **Fire Emergencies**

If you discover a fire, activate the nearest fire alarm. Should an intermittent alarm sound there is no need to evacuate the building but please be prepared to do so. However, if you hear a constant fire alarm sound, please

- Leave the building by the nearest exit, follow the green running man signs
   Walk slowly and carefully
- · Leave all personal belongings
- Follow instructions given by your tutor and other members of staff
- Do not use the lift, unless specified in a Personal Evacuation Plan
- · Go to the Fire Assembly Point
- Do not go back into the building until you are told it is safe to do so

