

Learn about the work of the UK military and emergency services.

East Durham College
Uniformed Public Services

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Watch the services in action and experience for yourself what life in the uniformed services is like, whilst studying and gaining an excellent qualification that will help you progress into a future career in one of these exciting services.

Do you see yourself in any of the following roles?

- A Police Officer
- An Air Traffic Controller in the Royal Air Force
- A Firefighter
- A Weapons Engineer in the Royal Navy
- A Royal Marine Commando
- A Paramedic

East Durham College's Uniformed Public Services Department has an excellent reputation, with a great track record of supporting our students into public service careers.

We will guarantee you 11 hours of quality teaching and training per week with our specialist lecturer, a former uniformed public service officer, and our qualified outdoor activity and sports instructors who will prepare you physically to join a service.

In order to develop your team working and practical skills you will also experience activities such as mountain walking, orienteering, archery, mountain biking, caving, kayaking and canoeing.

- You will also have the chance to visit the public services at their place of work and see what they do on a day-to-day basis. You should have the opportunity to visit:
 - A Royal Air Force Base
 - A Navy Ship
 - Various Police Departments
 - A Fire Station
 - An Army Base for a week long residential 'look at life' course
- You will have access to the College's fantastic sport facilities, which rival many a professional sports club. These include a full size floodlit 3G pitch, a number of top class grass pitches, a double-sized sports hall with Futsal fittings, a fully equipped state-of-the-art gym with fixed and free weights and a range of cardiovascular and strength and conditioning training machines, modern and secure changing facilities and even an in-house physiotherapy clinic.
- You will take part in 72 hours of real work experience during the year, working with and learning about the work of the public services.

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96%

OF STUDENTS WOULD RECOMMEND US TO OTHERS

(QDP induction survey 2016/17)



- You can choose if you wish to study for one year on a diploma course or stay for a second year and get the best qualification you can – an extended diploma. Our two year course is equivalent to three A Levels and is a proven route into university or employment.
- Have the opportunity to complete Maths and English to GCSE or Level 2 Functional Skills level, if not already acquired, which are highly valued by employers.
- Use the state-of-the-art gym for FREE (full membership costs £450 a year!) during training, in lessons or in your free time.
The gym is open seven days a week.
- Also, if you pick up any niggles or injuries during training or activities, our full time professional physiotherapist is on hand, completely FREE of charge, to get you back in the gym as soon as possible.
- You will be entitled to free travel to and from the College.

Don't just take our word for it.

"The Uniformed Public Service diploma at EDC provides vital information on career and academic opportunities. The course also prepares you physically for life within the public services. The course comprises in-depth lectures which are presented in a comfortable environment."

Ryan Kennedy, 18 years old.

"I joined the uniformed public service programme because I hope to have a career with the police force in the coming years. As a result of this course, I have been given great experiences within all public services which led me to have successful interviews with both the police and ambulance service. I have also been successful in gaining the role of event first aider for the British Red Cross because of the extra qualifications I have gained from completing this course. I would highly recommend this course to anyone who would like to join a public service."

Jak Smurthwaite, 18 years old.

"I joined the course as I was interested in joining the Police. The course is very interesting and I've gained an excellent knowledge of all the different public services. The course gives you the opportunity to visit and experience multiple jobs such as firefighters, army and the Police. The course has definitely helped me in my pursuit of joining the Police and also given me valuable information on all of the other services."

Beth Foster, 19 years old.





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Class of 2017/18

See what Ofsted have to say about us:

“A very high proportion of learners go on to further study or gain employment on completion of their programmes.”

“Learners benefit from excellent practical resources at the college... the substantial investment in physical resources has a positive impact on enabling learners to gain the skills that employers value and need.”

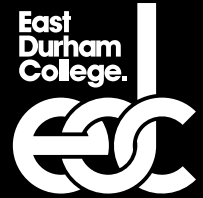
“Well considered progression routes are in place at all levels and you provide a wide range of vocational and academic programmes that prepare learners well for their future, be it further learning or employment.”

“Learners on 16 to 19 study programmes develop good practical skills through relevant work-related learning tasks and work experience appropriate to their career aspirations. High-quality practical resources at the college support this very well.”

**Ofsted Inspection Report,
March 2018**

To read the full report, please visit www.eastdurham.ac.uk/ofsted_inspection_report





If you think this is the course for you, come and talk to us and we'll help get you started towards your career in the uniformed public services.

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