

## PROSPECTUS 2014



# INFORMATION EVENTS

## At Falmouth Marine School

Thursday 24th October 2013, 5pm – 7.30pm

Saturday 30th November 2013, 10am – 12pm

Thursday 6th February 2014, 5pm – 7.30pm

Saturday 22nd March 2014, 10am – 12pm

Our Information Events are your chance to find out more about what Falmouth Marine School can offer you.

### You'll have the chance to:

- Talk to tutors about our specialist range of courses
- Tour the campus and see our great facilities
- Meet current students and find out about student life
- Find out about transport, finance and student support

We also run taster days throughout the year.

Please call or go online to see the latest confirmed dates.

### Raising Participation Age

Raising the Participation Age is not the same as raising the school leaving age. You will be able to choose the best post-16 option for you, and you will still be able to leave school after Year 11 if you want to.

### Your choices at 16 are:

- Stay in full-time education, either at college or school sixth form
- Apprenticeship
- Work with training

Falmouth Marine School is part of the Cornwall College Group, with seven campuses across Cornwall, offering the widest range of high quality academic and vocational training in the county, from entry level to postgraduate study.



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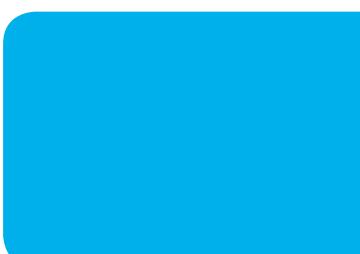
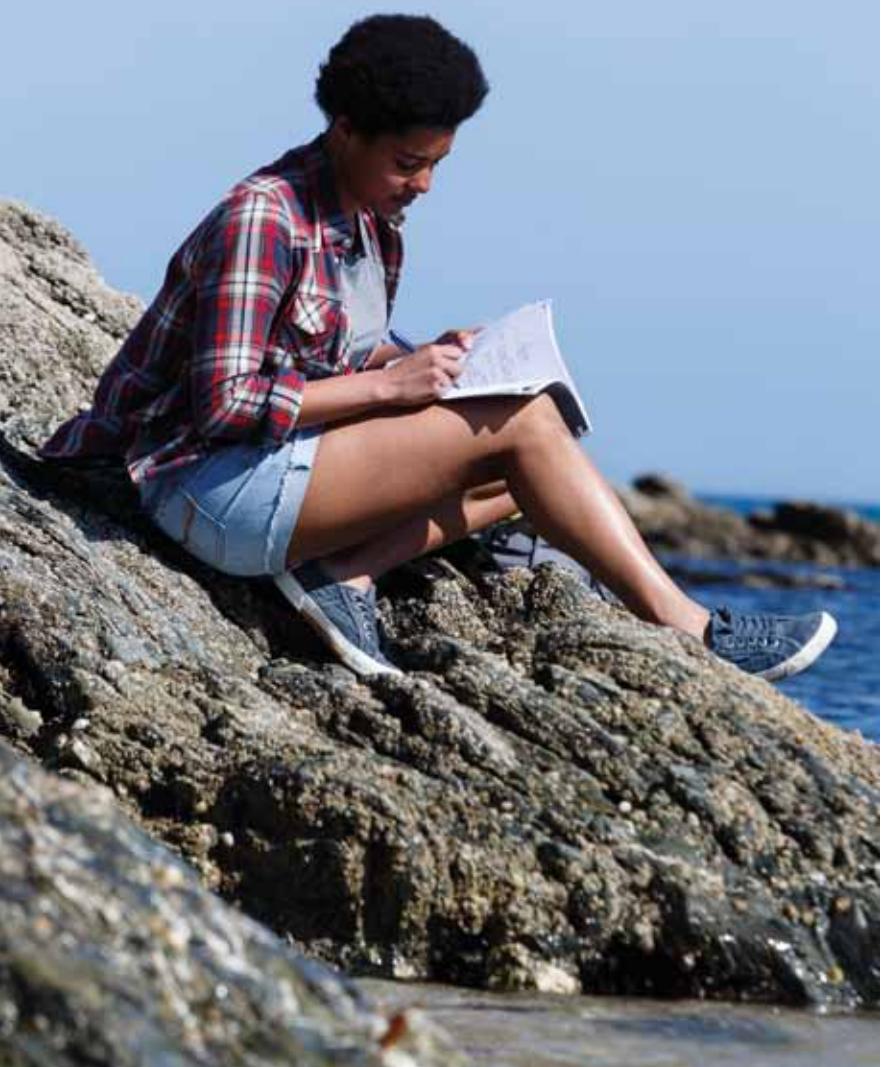
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# CHOOSE FALMOUTH MARINE SCHOOL



Falmouth Marine School is an international centre of excellence in marine studies.

You should study with us because we provide a high standard of education and training with a comprehensive range of qualifications that are designed with employers and delivered by industry professionals to ensure that you gain the skills and experience you need to succeed in the workplace.

Enterprise and employability are at the centre of all of our programmes and we pride ourselves on giving you, our learners, access to the best advice and help with our partnerships with industry.

We are also a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) Assured college.

#### Ofsted says our...

Ability to meet the needs of our students is outstanding.

#### Our students say...

The College has a friendly, supportive atmosphere.

#### Our partners say...

"The level of professionalism, commitment and enthusiasm from the students is phenomenal. We highly value our link with Falmouth Marine School. The standard of the student projects is very high and they are delivering evidence that is of use to industry, providing both background information and potentially commercially valuable innovations."

David Ellis, Chairman Falmouth Harbour Commissioners.

#### New developments...

£200,000 invested in new marine engineering workshops and biology laboratories.

# CAMPUS LIFE



Falmouth Marine School is located in one of the most beautiful coastal regions in the UK, which means you will have constant access to watersports and outdoor activities.

Specialising in Boatbuilding, Watersports, Marine Engineering and Marine Biology, we have strong links with employers and universities and are dedicated to delivering excellent marine related courses, which will improve your employability.

At Falmouth Marine School you will be treated as an individual and given the opportunity to develop your talents. Our academic staff in charge of your learning have the relevant experience and necessary qualifications to ensure they deliver the best level of teaching available.

Our specialist facilities include:

- One of the largest aquatic teaching facilities in the UK, which includes shark, coral, seahorse, piranha, octopus and much more
- Dedicated marine engine maintenance and bench skills workshop
- Marine electrical and marine hydraulic system installation expertise
- Well-equipped watersports centre
- Specialist woodworking workshops in the heart of the boatbuilding industry at Ponshardon
- A dedicated Employment & Enterprise Office that arranges work experience, company visits and job interviews with employers
- A research unit that allows you to participate in original research and gain a greater understanding of the marine systems you intend to work in
- The only college in the UK with its own marine research vessel

If you fancy a bite to eat on campus, Sails café caters for light snacks, coffee breaks and full meals, plus you are only a minute's walk away from the heart of Falmouth.

You can also take time out of your studies and take part in our inspirational activity programme, which includes diving, sailing and powerboating. Then there is Falmouth itself, where you can explore beaches, galleries, restaurants and much more.

# STUDYING AT FALMOUTH MARINE SCHOOL



**"My course has provided me with internationally recognised qualifications and work experience in the industry. The tutors also helped me to find seasonal work before starting my sports science degree at Bangor University."**

TOM RYLANDS

## Opportunities for that added extra

As part of your study programme, Falmouth Marine School will provide a wide range of opportunities to help you stand out from the crowd:

### Real working environments:

Ponshardon boatyard, marine engineering workshop and watersports centre

### Opportunities for work experience

Industry related employability and skills modules

### As well as...

#### Work related experience such as:

- Volunteer work
- Community based projects
- Industry related projects
- National challenges and competitions e.g. BCS Watersports Championships
- Variety of employer activity e.g. guest speakers, workplace visits
- Annual Industry Day, which puts you in contact with employers and promotes your chances of employment in the field of your choice

Falmouth Marine School also has a dedicated Employment and Enterprise Office that works directly with employers and students by providing information about apprenticeships, funding, careers and employment options. It also runs events at the College for businesses and students to meet informally and organises pre-interview tours of employer premises.

From September 2013 study programmes require that students will continue to study English and mathematics if they do not achieve a grade C at GCSE in these subjects. This will mean re-taking these GCSEs if a grade D was achieved, or if a grade E or below was attained, you will be required to study functional skills.

# FALMOUTH MARINE SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION



**"I moved down from Sheffield at 16, the College provided me with an accredited list of families to live with, who were excellent at helping me with my homesickness."**

JESSICA GARRISON

We understand that where you live is important, so we do our best to help you find suitable accommodation near to where you are studying.

Accommodation is available in partnership with Tremough Services at the Tuke House Residence in Falmouth Town. This accommodation is available through Falmouth Exeter Plus, the provider of halls of residence to Falmouth University and University of Exeter, Cornwall Campus students.

This accommodation is available on a 'first come first served basis' and there are two contract options available outlined below:

[Further Education \(43 week contract\)](#)

[Higher Education \(40 week contract\)](#)

For further information or to apply, contact the accommodation office direct on 01326 253639, email [accommodation@fxplus.ac.uk](mailto:accommodation@fxplus.ac.uk) or visit [www.tremoughservices.com/accommodation](http://www.tremoughservices.com/accommodation).

We also offer a list of approved landlords with properties suitable for students to rent in and around the Falmouth area. The College is pleased to act as a facilitator regarding accommodation and to offer advice on any problems. For further information please call 01326 310310.

# GETTING YOU TO COLLEGE



Falmouth Marine School is located at the heart of one of the most popular destinations in the South West, so public transport links are excellent: bus, train, even water taxi!

We currently offer our further education students a range of transport options, covering the whole of the county and Plymouth. This will help you to access the College easily and at a subsidised rate.

Once you have accepted an offer of a place with us, contact our transport advisors. They will work with you closely to ensure that your transport arrangements are fully in place before you begin your course.

Call our transport advisors on 01726 226404 or 226618 or email [bus-transport@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:bus-transport@cornwall.ac.uk).

Find the most up-to-date information on transport at [www.cornwall.ac.uk/transport](http://www.cornwall.ac.uk/transport).



## Some important information:

- Transport applications are valid for one year only. You must re-apply for your second year
- Bus passes are route specific and cannot be used on any other service
- You will need to produce your pass for every journey
- There is a code of conduct for travel to and from college clearly displayed on all tickets
- All vehicles operate a no smoking policy

## FREE Transport to college

If you are aged between 16 and 18-years-old on 31st August 2014, and your household income is below £31,000, you will be eligible for free transport. You'll need to get in touch with us to arrange this so call the transport advisors on 01726 226404 or 226618 or email [bus-transport@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:bus-transport@cornwall.ac.uk).

If you aren't eligible for free transport it will still be subsidised but you must contact us so we can help you. If you do have to pay for the subsidised pass, the fee can be paid annually or over three terms (autumn, spring and summer) if preferred at no extra charge. Please ensure that you apply by 1st August or you may have to travel and pay independently until your pass is processed.

## First Concession Scheme

First buses are offering a discount to all full-time students regardless of age. Purchasing a student concession pass entitles you to travel at child rate on any First route, anytime, anywhere in Cornwall.

Passes are available for an academic year or a full year and a reduced concession charge is available if you only need to travel one day a week.

There is also a Freedom Rider option which covers all journey costs in full between September & July. Contact the transport advisors to find out more.

## Contact a college transport advisor

T: 01726 226404

T: 01726 226618

E: [bus-transport@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:bus-transport@cornwall.ac.uk)

W: [www.cornwall.ac.uk/transport](http://www.cornwall.ac.uk/transport)

# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



**Jay Nicholson - Watersports BTEC Diploma  
Surf Instructor at Coastal Surf**

"I really enjoyed my time at Falmouth Marine School, it was excellent in terms of location, equipment and staff. I gained several instructor qualifications in a range of watersports while I was there and managed to go straight into employment."



**John Swanwick - FdSc Marine Sports Science  
Royal Marines**

"I completed my final top-up year at Southampton University to gain a full BA (Hons) and have now joined the Royal Marines. The course at Falmouth Marine School provided a great grounding for my future. The windsurfing trip to Egypt was magical and something I will always remember."



**Pete Greenslade - Light Marine Engineering  
Sunsail**

"I moved to Falmouth to study Yacht Fit Out & Composites then I progressed to the Light Marine Engineering course. I believe that having both boatbuilding and marine engineering skills helped me to secure my job with Sunsail. Both the boatbuilding and engineering workshops at the College are excellent. The tutors were really supportive and arranged for me to complete my course three months early so I could start my new job."



**Aiden Furniss - Marine Engineering BTEC  
Royal Navy**

"I've always wanted to join the Navy and the course at Falmouth Marine School provided the perfect route to get me there. There was a lot of mathematics involved, but now I need to apply it, I'm really glad there was."



**Davy George - Yacht Fit Out & Composites  
Seacore**

"The course was really practical with the majority of time spent in the woodwork and composites workshops, which was perfect for me. The skills and qualifications I gained enabled me to go straight into employment."



**Jessica Garrison - Marine Biology & Ecology  
Sustainable Environmental Management  
Degree at University of Exeter**

"Falmouth Marine School has a really good reputation and when I studied there I could see why, the tutors and facilities are excellent. The course fully prepared me for university, especially the final year project piece which I am able to use as a base for my dissertation."



**Kimara McCrindle - FdSc Marine Science  
Scientific Officer for Cornwall Inshore Fisheries  
and Conservation Authority (IFCA)**

"Studying at Falmouth Marine School was a brilliant experience. It is smaller than the majority of universities so you get a far more personal experience, with knowledgeable, enthusiastic lecturers who will do all they can to help you with assignments and make you feel at home. The course gave me a good understanding of marine science for my progression to the BSc Environmental Sciences top-up year at Plymouth University."

# HOW TO USE THIS COURSE GUIDE

To make it easier for you to find the course that's right for you we have divided our courses into colour coded subject sections. Check the contents page at the front of the prospectus for a full list.

<b>Title</b> Yacht Fit Out & Composites City & Guilds Diploma	<b>LEVEL 3</b>
If you have an interest in construction, repair and restoration of wooden and fibre reinforced plastic boats this largely practical course is for you. It will help you to develop basic skills in boatbuilding, which include the use of hand and machine tools, drawing and calculations.	
<b>Duration</b> One year full-time	
<b>Entry requirements</b> Four GCSEs at grades A* - C (two of which should be English, IT or mathematics) or equivalent qualification.	
<b>What does the course involve?</b> You will develop practical skills knowledge through a mix of both theory and practical work. Your key areas of study will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Safe and effective working in a boatbuilding, repair and service environment</li><li>• Using and communicating technical information</li><li>• Marine construction and components</li><li>• Producing and fitting structural boat components</li><li>• Practical woodworking</li><li>• Fibre reinforced plastics for marine construction</li></ul>	
<b>How will I be assessed?</b> There will be a mix of assessment and examination.	
<b>What can I do after the course?</b> On successful completion you will be well equipped to gain employment in the marine industry.	

# COURSE LEVELS

It's important you choose the correct level of course after GCSEs whether you intend going on to university or into employment. Below is a useful guide showing how courses are structured, what the different levels mean and what qualifications you need to get started.

Level	Entry Requirements	Qualification (Examples)	Progression
<b>LEVEL 4-7</b>	Relevant Level 3 qualification	Honours Degree Foundation Degree HNC/HND	Postgraduate study or improved career prospects
<b>LEVEL 3</b>	GCSEs in A*- C range or relevant Level 2 qualification	A-levels City & Guilds Certificates, Diplomas, Subsidiary Diplomas and Extended Diplomas BTEC Certificates, Diplomas, Subsidiary Diplomas and Extended Diplomas NVQ3	University/higher education study or employment
<b>LEVEL 2</b>	GCSEs in D - G range or relevant Level 1 qualification	City & Guilds Certificates, Extended Certificates and Diplomas BTEC Certificates, Extended Certificates and Diplomas Specialised Diploma NVQ2	Further study or employment
<b>LEVEL 1</b>	No prior qualifications needed	BTEC Introductory Diplomas and Certificates City & Guilds Diploma NVQ1 Various foundation qualifications	Further study or work as trainee
<b>LEVEL E</b> Entry Level	No prior qualifications needed	Various qualifications in preparing for work, further study and/or independent living e.g. Progression Awards	Further study



# Boatbuilding

We believe that the best way to learn boatbuilding techniques is to undertake real hands-on experience, so all of our boatbuilding courses and assessments are carried out in a practical way. We deliver both traditional and new wood techniques as well as fibre reinforced composite materials in our specialist workshops.



**"I secured paid employment through the College at Weir Quay Boatyard while doing my course."**

DRUM RICHARDS

**LEVEL 1 - Beginner courses that need no prior qualifications or experience**

- Introduction to Marine Technology NVQ

**LEVEL 2 - The same as GCSE level, you'll need some GCSE passes to start at this level**

- Introduction to Yacht Fit Out & Composites NVQ
- Boatbuilding Apprenticeship

**LEVEL 3 - A-level and equivalent, you'll need good GCSE grades to start at this level**

- Yacht Fit Out & Composites City & Guilds Diploma
- Boatbuilding Advanced Apprenticeship

## Introduction to Marine Technology NVQ LEVEL 1

This course is aimed at school leavers or anyone with an interest in the marine sector. The course has been designed to give a hands-on practical approach to training in a range of disciplines, such as marine engineering, watersports and boatbuilding.

### **Duration**

One year, full-time, three days a week

### **Entry requirements**

There are no formal entry requirements for this course however students will be required to attend an interview as well as sit an initial assessment.

### **What does the course involve?**

Pathways include marine engineering, watersports and boatbuilding.

Two days a week you will cover:

- Start Sailing
- RYA Powerboat
- RYA First Aid at Sea
- Vocational Studies
- English and mathematics

Depending on the chosen pathway the third day will be one of the following:

- Marine Engineering
- Watersports
- Boatbuilding

Alongside the vocational units, students will be required to assess and develop their personal skills and look at career progression and planning.

### **How will I be assessed?**

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### **What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion of the programme, students can personalise their progression by choosing one of the following courses:

- Introduction to Yacht Fit Out & Composites NVQ
- Light Marine Engineering Level 2
- Watersports Diploma Level 2

## Introduction to Yacht Fit Out & Composites NVQ LEVEL 2

This highly practical course enables you to develop basic skills in boatbuilding and is a great introduction to the industry. You'll spend time in our woodworking and specialist fibre reinforced plastics workshops.

### **Duration**

One year full-time

### **Entry requirements**

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - D (two of which should be English, IT or mathematics) or equivalent qualification.

### **What does the course involve?**

You will study both theory and practical work covering the key areas of:

- Introduction to the marine industry
- Principles of boatbuilding technology
- Production of external boat components
- Composite manufacture for marine construction

### **How will I be assessed?**

There will be a mix of assessment and examination.

### **What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion you will be better equipped to gain employment in the industry and be able to progress to:

- Yacht Fit Out & Composites City & Guilds Diploma
- Boatbuilding Apprenticeship

## Yacht Fit Out & Composites City & Guilds Diploma LEVEL 3

If you have an interest in construction, repair and restoration of wooden and fibre reinforced plastic boats this largely practical course is for you. It will help you to develop basic skills in boatbuilding, which include the use of hand and machine tools, drawing and calculations.

### **Duration**

One year full-time

### **Entry requirements**

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - C (two of which should be English, IT or mathematics) or equivalent qualification.

### **What does the course involve?**

You will develop practical skills knowledge through a mix of both theory and practical work. Your key areas of study will include:

- Safe and effective working in a boatbuilding, repair and service environment
- Using and communicating technical information
- Marine construction and components
- Producing and fitting structural boat components
- Practical woodworking
- Fibre reinforced plastics for marine construction

### **How will I be assessed?**

There will be a mix of assessment and examination.

### **What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion you will be well equipped to gain employment in the marine industry.



**"Falmouth Marine School offers a strong practical course that is industry focused. The tutors have vast amounts of experience and are always supportive."**

ALEX LEGGE

## Boatbuilding Apprenticeship

LEVEL  
2

## Boatbuilding Advanced Apprenticeship

LEVEL  
3

If you are working in the industry and would like to train to become qualified in boatbuilding, an apprenticeship will help you develop a career in building, fitting out, finishing or maintaining boats.

### Duration

One to two years full-time

### Entry requirements

You must be employed within a marine-related industry, have good practical skills, be able to follow technical drawings and work carefully and methodically.

### What does the course involve?

You will spend one day a week with us on campus and will select a pathway and units to suit your job.

### How will I be assessed?

There will be a mix of assessment and examination and you will need to build a portfolio of evidence.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will have improved your promotion prospects and be able to progress to:

- Boatbuilding Advanced Apprenticeship
- Yacht Fit Out & Composites City & Guilds Diploma

An advanced apprenticeship will build on your existing knowledge and skills and further help you to succeed in your career.

### Duration

One to two years full-time

### Entry requirements

You must be employed within a marine-related industry and have completed a relevant Level 2 qualification or have experience.

### What does the course involve?

You will spend one day a week with us on campus building on the skills you developed at Level 2 by undertaking complex tasks, such as:

- Producing and repairing hulls and decks
- Fitting out of boats

### How will I be assessed?

There will be a mix of assessment and examination and you will need to build a portfolio of evidence.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will have gained the Marine Boatbuilding Diploma Level 3 which will further enhance your promotion prospects and employability.



*"I work for Cornwall Council as a Maritime Assistant. The apprenticeship enables me to gain the qualifications and skills I need for my job role while still getting paid."*

TOM FURSE

# Leisure & Watersports

Kayaking, surfing, windsurfing, sailing, surf life saving and powerboating are all available at Falmouth Marine School. We have a team of expert coaches on hand to ensure you have a well-rounded practical and theoretical experience.

**"Falmouth is the perfect location for all year round watersports."**

RUPERT LEYLAND



**LEVEL 1 - Beginner courses that need no prior qualifications or experience**

- Introduction to Marine Technology NVQ

**LEVEL 2 - The same as GCSE level, you'll need some GCSE passes to start at this level**

- Watersports BTEC Diploma
- Watersports Apprenticeship

**LEVEL 3 - A-level and equivalent, you'll need good GCSE grades to start at this level**

- Watersports BTEC (Subsidiary/Extended/Diploma)

**LEVEL 4 and above - University qualifications**

- Foundation Degree in Marine Sports Science
- Marine Leisure Management HNC

Our foundation degrees are awarded by Plymouth University.

## SHORT COURSES

- BCU Coaching Paddlesport Certificate UKCCL1
- RYA First Aid at Sea
- RYA Windsurfing Start Instructor
- RYA Powerboat Certificate
- RYA Safety Boat Certificate
- RYA Dinghy Instructor

# Introduction to Marine Technology NVQ

LEVEL  
1

# Watersports BTEC Diploma

LEVEL  
2

This course is aimed at school leavers or anyone with an interest in the marine sector. The course has been designed to give a hands-on practical approach to training in a range of disciplines, such as marine engineering, watersports and boatbuilding.

#### Duration

One year, full-time, three days a week

#### Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for this course however students will be required to attend an interview as well as sit an initial assessment.

#### What does the course involve?

Pathways include marine engineering, watersports and boatbuilding.

Two days a week you will cover:

- Start Sailing
- RYA Powerboat
- RYA First Aid at Sea
- Vocational Studies
- English and mathematics

Depending on the chosen pathway the third day will be one of the following:

- Marine Engineering
- Watersports
- Boatbuilding

Alongside the vocational units, students will be required to assess and develop their personal skills and look at career progression and planning.

#### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

#### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion of the programme, students can personalise their progression by choosing one of the following courses:

- Introduction to Yacht Fit Out & Composites NVQ
- Light Marine Engineering Level 2
- Watersports Diploma Level 2

This course is designed to help you develop a range of practical skills in order to gain entry to the Watersports Extended Diploma or employment in the watersports industry.

#### Duration

One year full-time

#### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - E.

#### What does the course involve?

You will study specific units in how the body works and health and safety in the watersports industry, to widen your knowledge and understanding of coaching and regulations for outdoor centres.

You will also have the opportunity to gain additional qualifications at a reduced cost, such as:

- Royal Yachting Association Windsurfing Coach
- Royal Yachting Association Sailing Coach
- British Canoe Union Kayak Instructor
- Powerboat Level 2
- Surfing Level 1 and 2

#### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

#### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be better equipped to gain employment in the industry and be able to progress to the:

- Watersports BTEC (Subsidiary/Extended/Diploma)



"I moved from Norfolk for the course as the location is perfect for watersports. I had only done kayaking previously, but I'm now a qualified instructor in windsurfing, sailing and kayaking. I did work experience at Centre Parks and they have offered me a full-time post when I complete my course."

APRIL HARRILD

## Watersports Apprenticeship

LEVEL  
2

With unprecedented growth in the popularity of watersports over the last ten years, more and more people are keen to develop their knowledge and enjoyment of watersports to the highest level. The demand for well trained and qualified watersports instructors has never been greater.

**Duration**

One to two years full-time

**Entry requirements**

You must be employed within a marine sports related industry and be able to achieve the academic content of the course.

**What does the course involve?**

The apprenticeship offers the opportunity to:

- Develop work skills within the watersports industry
- Undertake specific training to complete an NVQ Level 2 qualification
- Gain functional skills in English, IT and mathematics

**How will I be assessed?**

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

**What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion you can expect to improve your promotion prospects, work in industry in the UK or abroad and will be able to progress to the:

- Watersports BTEC (Subsidiary/Extended/Diploma)

## Watersports BTEC (Subsidiary/Extended/Diploma)

LEVEL  
3

Based at our watersports centre in Falmouth, you will be challenged both physically and mentally through a full range of watersports activities and theory sessions.

**Duration**

Two years full-time

**Entry requirements**

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - C (ideally to include English, mathematics and PE) or equivalent.

**What does the course involve?**

For all units of study you will be given the opportunity to apply these in a variety of practical settings, e.g. sports coaching and leadership, or organising an event with primary school groups; fitness testing and training for different clients and analysis of performance. Units of study include:

- Principles of anatomy and physiology in sport
- Assessing risk in sport
- Principles and practices in outdoor adventure
- Fitness training and programming
- Sports nutrition and coaching
- Sport as a business
- Skills for land and water-based outdoor and adventurous activities

You will be encouraged to gain National Governing Body awards through the RYA and British Canoe Union, gain first aid qualifications and complete a work placement in the UK or abroad.

**How will I be assessed?**

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

**What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion you will be well equipped for employment in the UK or abroad and be able to progress to:

- Foundation Degree in Marine Sports Science
- Marine Leisure Management HNC

## Marine Leisure Management HNC

LEVEL  
4

This course will provide a challenging programme of study that will enable you to develop the concepts, knowledge, skills and techniques required for today's marine leisure management industry.

The course is studied both on and off the water and has been designed to allow you the opportunity to study out of season, therefore enabling you to complete the course and be available for peak season employment. You will study a total of 8 units and spend a minimum of five, one week blocks on the water aimed to maximise success while working towards a range of watersports and instructor qualifications. Disciplines available are sailing, windsurfing, kayaking and stand up paddleboarding.

**Entry requirements**

Four GCSEs at Grades A\* - C (including mathematics and English). In addition a relevant Level 3 qualification or significant industrial experience in lieu of qualifications will be required.

**What does the course involve?**

You must complete eight units of learning that include:

- Managing and operating a sports leisure facility
- Customer service, marketing principles
- Sport and leisure industry
- Managing human resources
- Events management
- Applied coaching skills

Alongside the academic study you will have the opportunity to develop your personal skills on the water and gain further National Governing Body (NGB) qualifications.

**How will I be assessed?**

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

**What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion of the course you will be well equipped to gain employment in the marine leisure industry both in the United Kingdom and abroad.

## Foundation Degree in Marine Sports Science

LEVEL  
4

If you enjoy being on the water and you love sport then this course is for you. You will study the science of achieving success in sport and learn the skills to help others to do better.

**Duration**

Two years full-time

**Entry requirements**

120 UCAS tariff points and GCSE English and mathematics at grades A\*- C. If you are over 21 at entry your application will be considered on its merits.

**What does the course involve?**

Lectures, seminars and practical sessions afloat and on land, together with work-based learning in the industry, you can be at the cutting edge of marine sports development.

Practical sessions work toward National Governing Body qualifications and academic units include:

- Anatomy and physiology
- Adventure sports coaching
- Sport design and retail
- Exercise physiology
- Oceanography and meteorology
- Events management

**How will I be assessed?**

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

**What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion you will be well equipped for employment in the industry and will be able to progress to the:

- BSc (Hons) Sports Performance & Coaching at Cornwall College Camborne

## BCU Coaching Paddlesport Certificate UKCCL1

If you are interested in paddlesport and would like to teach others the sport this course is for you. You will be trained in teaching techniques afloat and ashore by our fully qualified and experienced Royal Yachting Association staff.

Instructor certificates are valid for three years from the date of issue, provided that a valid first aid certificate is maintained.

### Duration

Five Days

### Entry requirements

Minimum age 16 and a valid first aid qualification. You must also be a member of the British Canoe Union.

### What does the course involve?

This is the first step on the paddlesport coaching pathway. It will:

- Introduce you to the fundamentals of good coaching practice
- Help you to understand and coach technical and tactical aspects of your sport

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is by examination.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be qualified as an instructor and will be eligible to work for outdoor centres both in the UK and worldwide. You will be qualified to teach beginners in all aspects of the sport.

You may wish to go on to take one of our other short instructor training courses to qualify in sailing, kayaking or powerboating, or a full-time watersports diploma.

LEVEL  
**1**

## RYA First Aid at Sea

In a medical emergency a little first aid knowledge and immediate action can save lives, especially in remote locations. This one-day course is designed to provide you with a working knowledge of first aid if you are using small craft or support a skipper.

### Duration

One Day

### Entry requirements

None.

### What does the course involve?

The subjects specific to boating include:

- The recovery position in a confined space
- CPR, including the drowning protocol
- Cold shock and hypothermia from immersion or exposure
- Seasickness and dehydration
- Medical assistance or advice by VHF
- Helicopter rescue

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is by examination.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you may be interested in one of our other short courses.



## RYA Windsurfing Start Instructor

If you want to teach windsurfing then this course will give you the qualification to do just that. The Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Start Windsurfing Instructor will qualify you to teach the Start Windsurfing course and Stages 1 and 2 of the Youth Windsurfing Scheme under the supervision of a senior instructor. In addition, the instructor certificate is endorsed to show whether you are qualified to teach on inland or coastal waters.

### Duration

Five Days

### Entry requirements

Minimum age 16, valid first aid qualification, Intermediate Non-planning Certificate with Beach Starting and Non-planning Gybe Clinics, RYA Powerboat Level 2 Certificate.

### What does the course involve?

This course runs over five days split as follows:

- Four days of training
- One day of moderation and assessment by an external examiner

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is by examination.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be qualified to work within the watersports industry as a windsurf coach.

You may wish to go on to take one of our other short instructor training courses to qualify in sailing, kayaking or powerboating, or a full-time watersports diploma.

*"I did the Watersports Level 3 course at Falmouth Marine School and gained all of my instructor qualifications and a sound knowledge base. I wanted to continue what I was doing but at a slightly deeper level in order to become a sports teacher, so I went onto do the Marine Sports Science degree"*

ALICE TETLEY

## RYA Powerboat Certificate

LEVEL  
2

## RYA Safety Boat Certificate

LEVEL  
2

Regarded by many as the driving licence for powerboats, this Royal Yachting Association course offers a thorough introduction to powerboat handling.

### Duration

Two Days

### Entry requirements

None.

### What does the course involve?

This two-day course provides the skills and background knowledge needed to drive a powerboat and is the basis of the International Certificate of Competence.

It includes:

- Close quarters handling
- High speed manoeuvres
- Man overboard recovery
- Collision regulations

The course can be taken inland or on the coast and your certificate will be endorsed accordingly.

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is by examination.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will widen your future career prospects and employment opportunities. You will now be able to provide safety cover to a range of craft.

You may wish to go on to take one of our other short instructor training courses to qualify in sailing, kayaking or powerboating, or a full-time watersports diploma.

This two-day Royal Yachting Association (RYA) course provides the skills required when acting as an escort craft, safety boat or coach boat for a fleet of dinghies, windsurfers or canoes, or for racing or training activities.

### Duration

Two Days

### Entry requirements

RYA Powerboat Level 2 Certificate and a basic understanding of sailing boats and windsurfers.

### What does the course involve?

This RYA qualification includes study and practical training in:

- Boat handling
- Towing
- Fleet management
- Rescue techniques for sailing dinghies, windsurfers and canoes

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is by examination.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be qualified to provide safety cover to a range of craft which will widen your future career prospects and employment opportunities.

You may wish to go on to take one of our other short instructor training courses to qualify in sailing, kayaking or powerboating, or a full-time watersports diploma.

## RYA Dinghy Instructor

LEVEL  
2

Do you want to teach dinghy sailing on inland or coastal waters? Then this course, run by our fully qualified and experienced Royal Yachting Association (RYA) Coach Assessor, is for you.

Instructor certificates are valid for three years from the date of issue, provided that a valid first aid certificate is maintained.

### Duration

Five Days

### Entry requirements

Minimum age 16 with a valid first aid qualification plus RYA Powerboat Level 2, RYA Intermediate Sailing, RYA Day Sailing and RYA Pre Instructor Assessment.

You must also be a member of the RYA.

### What does the course involve?

We will train you in:

- Teaching techniques afloat
- Teaching techniques ashore

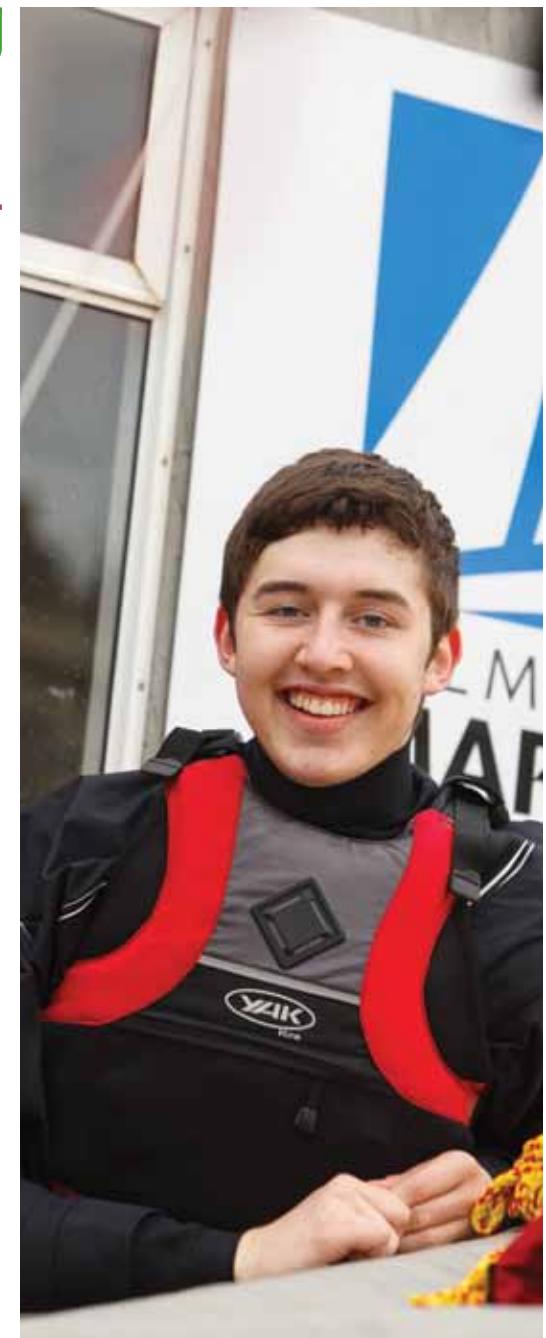
### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is by examination.

### What can I do after the course?

When qualified as an instructor you will be eligible to work for outdoor centres both in the UK and worldwide. You will be qualified to teach beginners in all aspects of the sport.

You may wish to go on to take one of our other short instructor training courses to qualify in sailing, kayaking or powerboating, or a full-time watersports diploma.



*"I completed all of my instructor qualifications and I now work in France teaching others".*

JACK O'BRYNE

# Marine Engineering

We recently invested £200,000 in developing our facilities, extending our marine engineering workshop and creating dedicated facilities for welding, outboard engine maintenance and bench work.



**"The workshop is excellent, you can even service your own equipment with the tutors help and expertise."**

BEN ANNEAR

## LEVEL 1 - Beginner courses that need no prior qualifications or experience

- Introduction to Marine Technology NVQ

## LEVEL 2 - The same as GCSE level, you'll need some GCSE passes to start at this level

- Light Marine Engineering
- Marine Engineering Apprenticeship

## LEVEL 3 - A-level and equivalent, you'll need good GCSE grades to start at this level

- Light Marine Engineering
- Marine Engineering BTEC (Subsidiary/Extended/Diploma)
- Marine Engineering Advanced Apprenticeship

## LEVEL 4 and above - University qualifications

- Marine Engineering & Management HNC Diploma
- Foundation Degree in Marine Technology

Our foundation degrees are awarded by Plymouth University.

## SHORT COURSES

- RYA Diesel Engine

## Introduction to Marine Technology NVQ

LEVEL  
1

## Light Marine Engineering

LEVEL  
2

If you have a general interest in the engineering aspects of pleasure and small commercial vessels this course is an excellent foundation for progressing to specialist engineering courses.

### Duration

One year full-time

### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grades A\*-D (including English and mathematics) or a satisfactory pass in a marine technology qualification.

### What does the course involve?

You will cover all aspects of small marine engine maintenance and gain a basic knowledge of the structure and organisation of the marine industry including:

- Working safely in a marine engineering environment
- Marine technology
- Servicing and maintenance of marine engines and power units
- Marine propulsion systems

### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be well equipped to gain employment in the marine industry and be able to progress to:

- Light Marine Engineering City & Guilds Diploma
- Marine Engineering BTEC (Subsidiary/Extended/Diploma)
- Marine Engineering Apprenticeship

### Duration

One year, full-time, three days a week

### Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for this course however students will be required to attend an interview as well as sit an initial assessment.

### What does the course involve?

Pathways include marine engineering, watersports and boatbuilding.

Two days a week you will cover:

- Start Sailing
- RYA Powerboat
- RYA First Aid at Sea
- Vocational Studies
- English and mathematics

Depending on the chosen pathway the third day will be one of the following:

- Marine Engineering
- Watersports
- Boatbuilding

Alongside the vocational units, students will be required to assess and develop their personal skills and look at career progression and planning.

### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion of the programme, students can personalise their progression by choosing one of the following courses:

- Introduction to Yacht Fit Out & Composites NVQ
- Light Marine Engineering Level 2
- Watersports Diploma Level 2

## Light Marine Engineering

LEVEL  
3

This course will provide you with the skills and knowledge you will need for a career in marine industries. It covers all aspects of small marine engines and ancillary systems, including installations, fault diagnosis, repair and maintenance, plus plumbing and basic electrics.

### Duration

One year full-time

### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - C (including English, mathematics and science) or equivalent qualification.

### What does the course involve?

As well as studying the theory of marine engineering you will spend one full day a week in the engineering workshop developing your skills using basic hand tools, working on marine diesel inboard engines, outboard motors, gearboxes and shaft systems and ancillary equipment.

Topics covered include:

- Marine construction and components
- Marine engines
- Safe and effective working in a marine engineering repair and servicing environment

### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be well equipped to gain employment in the marine industry and be able to progress to:

- Marine Engineering Advanced Apprenticeship
- Marine Engineering & Management HNC Diploma
- Foundation Degree in Marine Technology



"After taking some time off to be a full-time mother I needed some qualifications that would secure me a job. I previously worked in admin for marine companies and I was really interested in marine engineering and design. The course is unique and well respected in the industry, I have met lots of potential employers and hope to start the advanced apprenticeship with the support of the Employment & Enterprise Office at Falmouth Marine School."

ROBIN CRAWFORD

## Marine Engineering BTEC (Subsidiary/ Extended/Diploma)

LEVEL  
3

This course will establish you at technician level in the marine industry if you are looking to pursue a more analytical and design-based career in marine engineering, or wanting to progress to university.

### Duration

Two years full-time

### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - C (including English and mathematics) or equivalent qualification.

### What does the course involve?

You will make full use of the range of technology specialisms across the Cornwall College group, giving you access to the relevant workshops including Falmouth Marine School's state-of-the-art composites materials workshop. Topics include:

- Mathematics
- Mechanical and electrical principles
- 2D and 3D computer-aided design
- Composite technology
- Marine engine theory
- Business studies

### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be well equipped for a career in the marine industry or Merchant Navy and be able to progress to:

- Marine Engineering HNC Diploma
- Foundation Degree in Marine Engineering



**"I really enjoy the practical elements of the course and always find the tutors approachable and supportive. I plan to join the Army REME (Royal Electrical & Mechanical Engineers) and this course will help me get there."**

ADAM MATTHEWS

## Marine Engineering HNC Diploma

LEVEL  
4

This course will provide a challenging programme of part-time study that will enable you to develop the concepts, knowledge, skills and techniques required for today's engineering industry.

### Duration

One year full-time or two years part-time

### Entry requirements

A relevant Level 3 qualification and be working within the engineering industry either on a work experience, part-time or full-time basis.

### What does the course involve?

Core modules of study (all must be completed) include:

- Analytical methods
- Engineering science
- Project design, realisation and application

Optional modules (5 out of the 8 must be completed) include:

- Mechanical principles
- Naval architecture
- Health, safety and risk assessment
- Applications of pneumatics and hydraulics
- Engineering design
- Advanced computer aided design
- Management of projects
- Composite materials in engineering

### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be well equipped for career opportunities throughout the private and public sectors in the UK and abroad. You will be able to progress to the:

- Final year of the Foundation Degree in Marine Engineering

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## Foundation Degree in Marine Engineering

LEVEL  
4

This course will provide a challenging programme of study that will enable you to develop the concepts, knowledge, skills and techniques required for today's marine engineering industry. Specialised modules relevant to the engineering industry in which learners are employed and successful career development will also be covered.

### Duration

Two years full-time

### Entry requirements

120 UCAS points (plus GCSEs at grade A\* - C in English, mathematics and science).

### What does the course involve?

The following modules will be studied:

#### Year 1

- Personal & employability skills development
- Analytical methods for engineers 1
- Engineering science 1
- Engineering workplace management
- Marine construction
- Engineering design
- Computer aided design & engineering drawing

#### Year 2

- Engineering science 2
- Thermodynamics & fluids
- Marine cad applications
- Composite manufacture and materials
- Project
- Naval architecture
- Materials & manufacturing

### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will have a wide choice of career opportunities throughout the private and public sectors, both in the United Kingdom and abroad. You may also progress to the final year of an honours degree.

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# Marine Engineering Apprenticeship

LEVEL  
2

## Marine Engineering Advanced Apprenticeship

LEVEL  
3

If you are working in the industry and would like to train to become qualified in marine engineering, an apprenticeship will help you develop a career in building, fitting out, finishing or maintaining boats.

### Duration

One to two years full-time

### Entry requirements

You must be employed within a marine-related industry, have good practical skills, be able to follow technical drawings and work carefully and methodically.

### What does the course involve?

You will spend one day a week with us on campus and will select a pathway and units to suit your job from:

- Installation and fitting out of boats
- Servicing and maintenance of marine engines
- Principles of marine electrical systems
- Producing and repairing hulls and decks

### How will I be assessed?

You will put together a portfolio of evidence to show that you are competent at the tasks you do every day, while receiving support from experienced tutors.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will have gained the Marine Engineering Certificate Level 2 which will improve your promotion prospects and will be able to progress to the:

- Marine Engineering Advanced Apprenticeship

An advanced apprenticeship prepares you to become a technician, supervisor or manager. You should have previously completed a Level 2 apprenticeship in marine engineering.

### Duration

One to two years full-time

### Entry requirements

You must be employed within a marine-related industry and have completed the Marine Engineering Certificate Level 2 or have relevant experience.

### What does the course involve?

You will spend one day a week with us on campus building on the skills you developed at Level 2 by undertaking complex tasks such as:

- Fitting out of boats
- Servicing and maintenance of marine engines
- Principles of marine electrical systems
- Producing and repairing hulls and decks

### How will I be assessed?

You will put together a portfolio of evidence to show that you are competent at the tasks you do every day, while receiving support from experienced tutors.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will have gained the Marine Engineering Diploma Level 3 which will further enhance your promotion prospects and employability, and be able to progress to a higher level apprenticeship or university.



## RYA Diesel Engine

LEVEL  
2

Mechanical failure is the main cause of rescue call-outs to cruisers. Basic maintenance and engine care will help ensure that you are not part of this statistic.

Whether you sail a yacht with an auxiliary diesel engine or are a motor cruising enthusiast, this course could not just save you money, but one day could save your life.

### Duration

Two evenings

### Entry requirements

None.

### What does the course involve?

This course teaches you how your engine works and how to keep it healthy by using basic checks and maintenance procedures, and how to get it started again in the event of a breakdown. Topics include:

- Principles of diesel engine operation
- Systems and parts of the engine
- Fault finding
- Rectification of common problems
- Bleeding the fuel system and changing the impeller
- Routine maintenance
- Winter lay-up procedures

### How will I be assessed?

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

### What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you will be able to apply what you have learned to your boating. You may also be interested in one of our other short or full-time engineering courses.

*"I'm doing an apprenticeship with Marine Team at Mylor Yacht Harbour. I really enjoy practical learning and the apprenticeship route is suited to this. The engineering workshop at Falmouth Marine School is excellent, with a wide range of outboard and inboards and the tutors really know what they are talking about."*

JAMES SMITH

# Marine Science & Biology

Located at the heart of one of the most biologically diverse regions in the world, the practical nature of our courses provide you with the opportunity to conduct studies, both on and around the water and along our varied shoreline.



**"Because of the College's location, the fieldtrips we get to do are fantastic."**

JASMINE ROSE

**LEVEL 2 – The same as GCSE level, you'll need some GCSE passes to start at this level**

- Marine Biology & Ecology BTEC Diploma

**LEVEL 3 – A-level and equivalent, you'll need good GCSE grades to start at this level**

- Marine Biology & Ecology Extended Diploma

**LEVEL 4 and Above – University qualifications**

- Foundation Degree in Marine Science

Our foundation degrees are awarded by Plymouth University.

# Marine Biology & Ecology BTEC Diploma

LEVEL  
2

We offer you the chance to study within a specialist marine laboratory holding aquariums that contain species that vary from sharks through to corals. Our close proximity to the sea will also provide you with the opportunity of using the unique and globally recognised Fal and Helford special area of conservation as your classroom.

#### **Duration**

One year full-time

#### **Entry requirements**

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - E or equivalent qualification.

#### **What does the course involve?**

You will cover general aspects of the marine environment including:

- Marine environmental studies
- Fish biology
- Coastal management and conservation
- Habitat surveys

You will also have the chance to gain additional qualifications in:

- Marine mammal medic
- Fish and aquatic husbandry
- Marine mammal observation
- PADI scuba diving

#### **How will I be assessed?**

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

#### **What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion you will be able to progress to the:

- Marine Biology & Ecology BTEC Extended Diploma

# Marine Biology & Ecology Extended Diploma

LEVEL  
3

If you are interested in marine biology and environmental issues this course will suit you. You will be involved in projects including shark husbandry, coral conservation, turtle rehabilitation and dive surveys.

#### **Duration**

Two years full-time

#### **Entry requirements**

Four GCSEs at grades A\* - C (including English, mathematics and science) or equivalent qualification.

#### **What does the course involve?**

You will study both theory and practical elements including:

- Coastal management
- Ecology
- Species management
- Animal behaviour and biology
- Aquaculture systems
- Estate skills and investigative projects
- Marine mammal observation
- Snorkelling and sub aqua diving
- Laboratory skills
- Aquaria installation and management
- Small boat handling and fishing
- Public speaking and presentation
- Report writing and ecological surveying

You will also visit marine and freshwater reserves and habitats, National Trust sites, aquaria, hatcheries and marine laboratories.

#### **How will I be assessed?**

Your assignments and projects will be assessed throughout the course.

#### **What can I do after the course?**

On successful completion you will be able to progress to the:

- Foundation Degree in Marine Science



"I wanted a change of career and decided to follow my dream of working for the British Antarctic Survey. To do this I need a degree but have been out of education for so long that I needed a stepping stone qualification. The Marine Biology & Ecology course has been excellent in providing that, not only have I gained skills and knowledge, but my confidence has increased and I now have a good grounding for university."

SIMON WELBY

# Foundation Degree in Marine Science

LEVEL  
**4**

This course will provide you with a solid scientific background leading to excellent career opportunities in marine science. Our location will also give you easy access to outstanding marine locations for fieldwork.

## Duration

Two years full-time

## Entry requirements

120 UCAS points (including GCSE grades A\* - C in English and mathematics or equivalent). If you are over 21 your application will be considered on its merits.

## What does the course involve?

You will learn through a combination of field trips, practical sessions, lectures, seminars, discussions and symposia. While our emphasis is on practical experience, there is a strong academic component, giving you the science basis for work and further study. The course includes:

- Oceanography and meteorology
- Benthic biology
- Pelagic biology
- Marine resource management
- Coastal and ocean science
- Marine spatial planning

You will also undertake a Falmouth Marine Enterprise project (FaME). This is a partnership programme developed as a result of industry's need for concrete evidence about issues and solutions that affect it and your need to be ready for the workplace.

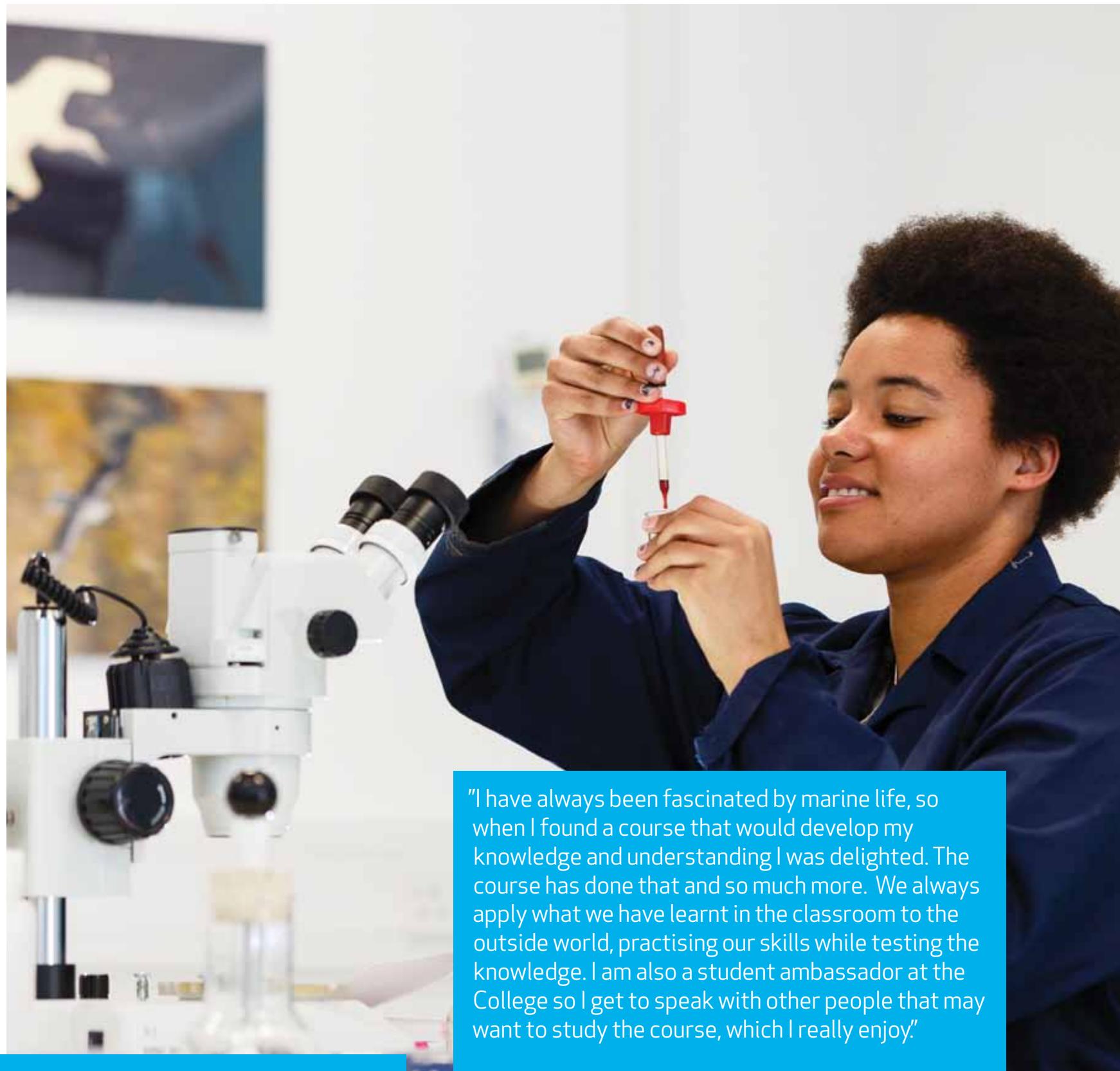
## How will I be assessed?

There will be a mix of assessment and examination.

## What can I do after the course?

On successful completion you may progress on to the final year of an honours degree or will be well equipped to gain employment.

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"I have always been fascinated by marine life, so when I found a course that would develop my knowledge and understanding I was delighted. The course has done that and so much more. We always apply what we have learnt in the classroom to the outside world, practising our skills while testing the knowledge. I am also a student ambassador at the College so I get to speak with other people that may want to study the course, which I really enjoy."

DEPHINY CESARANO

# CORNWALL COLLEGE STUDENTS' UNION

As a student at Falmouth Marine School you will automatically become a member of the Cornwall College Students' Union.

**YOUR UNION, YOUR VOICE**  
[www.cornwallstudents.org](http://www.cornwallstudents.org)

Hi, I'm Charlotte, and I'm the elected President of Cornwall College Students' Union (CCSU). CCSU exists to represent your voice at every level in the College and to make sure you have a fantastic time while you are a student with us. Every campus has a team of elected student officers who will be working hard all year, from organising parties, to running campaigns, and you have plenty of chances to get involved. The Students' Union is one of the best things about the College and you have the power to determine what it's doing!

Charlotte Knight, President of Cornwall College Students' Union

CCSU is actively involved in:

- Representing students
- Clubs and societies
- Organising parties, events and Freshers' Fair
- Volunteering work and qualifications
- Running campaigns on campus
- Producing the CCSU magazine and website.



# FALMOUTH MARINE SCHOOL SPORT

At Falmouth Marine School we want to help you build a brighter future for yourself through sport, from recreational to elite.

We will make sure you have the best resources, teaching and coaching, that will challenge, engage and motivate you, as well as encourage your aspirations and ambition.

We are one of only two colleges nationally to have three Sports Makers, whose role is to increase student participation in sport by engaging with community sport opportunities.

Sports programmes can be taken in conjunction with your full-time course. On a sports programme you will develop individual and team skills, personal strength and fitness and your ability to analyse your game, no matter what your aptitude and ability. This will be achieved through fitness sessions, coaching, theory lessons, nutrition, game analysis and skills training.

Read more at [www.cornwall.ac.uk/sport-cornwall-college](http://www.cornwall.ac.uk/sport-cornwall-college).



# MORE INFO ABOUT FALMOUTH MARINE SCHOOL

## Supporting you

Our student services team is Investor in Careers and the MATRIX Standard Award accredited so you can be sure of getting the information and advice you need on:

- Accommodation
- Careers
- Childcare
- Disability support
- Equality & Diversity
- Finance & Funding
- Health & Welfare

You can contact student services by calling 01326 310310 or by emailing [falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk).

## Accommodation

Most of our students who join us from school continue to live at home, however if you intend living independently we can provide you with:

- A list of accredited accommodation providers
- Information and guidance on what to expect

We do recommend that if you are under 18 years you opt for bed, breakfast and evening meal. See page 8 for further details.

## Careers

As a student you can access our extensive resources and contact us at any stage during your course for advice on careers and further study. We offer:

- Well stocked careers libraries including details of employers, occupations, university prospectuses, reference books and CD ROMs
- Individual guidance interviews with careers advisors
- Careers education on job and training opportunities
- Computer-aided career choice programmes and information databases
- Help with employment, training and education applications



## Childcare

If you have children we are keen to help you with the cost of your childcare and you may be eligible for financial support while you are with us.

You do not have to be in receipt of benefits or on a low income in order to have your childcare paid if you are under 20 years old as there is a special scheme for you – Care to Learn. This childcare support:

- Will not affect your own or your family's benefits
- Isn't means tested
- Isn't only for people in receipt of benefits or on a low income
- Will be paid direct to your childcare provider

Childcare providers must be OFSTED registered. So you can be sure that while you are studying your child will be in good hands.

You can contact student services by calling 01326 310310 or by emailing [falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk).

## Equality & Diversity

Cornwall College is committed to equal opportunity for all and recognise that valuing and embracing diversity is the key to providing high quality teaching and learning.

We take pride in serving the local communities of Cornwall and are fully committed to promoting equality of opportunity, access, dignity and fairness.

# MORE INFO ABOUT FALMOUTH MARINE SCHOOL

## Finance & Funding for further education

If you are under 19-years-old on 31st August 2014 there are currently no tuition or examination fees but there may be additional costs. To help with these costs you can apply for our Further Education Bursary scheme.

## Will you be eligible for the Further Education Bursary?

Based on our bursary for 2013 you will be eligible if you:

- Are enrolled on your course
- A resident in the UK for the last three years
- Have a household income of less than £21,000 a year\*

(If you have a household yearly income of less than £16,000 you will receive a sundry expenses allowance in addition to the above).

\*If you are 16-18-years-old with a household income of up to £31,000 you can still claim the Transport Bursary which we plan on continuing in 2014, which will provide you with a free bus pass.



## When should you apply?

Funds are limited so we encourage students to apply as soon as possible.

## What assistance is offered?

If your bursary application is successful it can include:

- The full cost of a bus pass - if you live more than three miles from the College
- Discloser & Barring check for relevant courses
- Funding for some items relating to your course, e.g. uniform, protective clothing, course trips
- Guaranteed Bursary\* of £1,200 per academic year, paid weekly to eligible students
- Childcare

Application forms and administration procedures are available from our student services departments.

\* To qualify for the guaranteed bursary you must be 16-18-years-old and either in care, a care leaver, personally in receipt of Income Support or of both Employment Support Allowance (ESA) and Disabled Living Allowance (DLA).

Government funding can be subject to change so the information on finance and fees listed may change. However the most recent information will always be available on our website at [www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk](http://www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk) or by calling our student services team on 01326 310310.

Don't let finance worries put you off studying – talk to the student services team who will help you understand what support is available for you.

Help is also available for students aged 19+. Many of our students are eligible for a fee waiver, a bursary to cover fees or a student loan. Please call 01326 310310 to find out more or go to [www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk](http://www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk).

## University Courses

For the latest fees and funding information please visit [www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk](http://www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk)

## Health & Welfare

Your health and welfare are important to us and they will have an impact on your study and achievements. We provide a wide range of help including:

- Up-to-date information on health-related matters
- Basic legal and consumer advice
- Managing a budget and coping with debt
- Entitlement to benefits
- Contact with outside specialist agencies
- Contact with local GPs
- Counselling services

Whether you need our help to begin studying with us or to cope with something that happens in your life while you are with us, we are here to help – our advisors are trained professionals and our service is confidential.

# SUPPORTING YOUR STUDIES...



## Enrichment

College is about more than studying. We have excellent facilities to make your leisure time as productive and inspiring as your lecture time.

You will have the opportunity to:

- Join sports teams
- Attend annual social events like the Beach Games
- Take part in enriching activities like canoeing, climbing, shopping trips and riding.

If you want that little extra to help your CV stand out to potential universities or employers, extra qualifications are available in addition to your main course of study.

## Disability Support

We warmly welcome and support students with disabilities and are fully committed to widening your opportunities by providing additional support to ensure you the maximum benefit from your studies. The word disability covers a wide range of circumstances including:

- Physical or sensory impairment
- Dyslexia
- Medical conditions
- Mental health
- Learning difficulties

These are just a few and although we know what we can offer, you are the best to judge what you need us to do for you. Please contact student services by calling 01326 310310 or by emailing [falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk).

## Your own personal tutor

At college your personal tutor is responsible for monitoring your progress and welfare. They will work closely with you through tutorials to:

- Build your Individual Learning Plan
- Review and record your progress and achievements
- Help you to map out your future

You will also have a senior tutor, for additional help and guidance.

If you have any problems about any aspect of your studies we provide you with an experienced study support tutor who will work with you to develop your skills and help improve your grades.

## Moodle

Moodle is a Virtual Learning Environment. This is an internet tool where you can:

- Access resources unique to your course
- Join in discussion forums with other students
- Contact tutors and other students via email and messaging

Moodle is available 24 hours-a-day every day of the week.

## Learning Resource Centres

Every campus has at least one modern learning resource centre, fully equipped with:

- Electronic journals
- Books, magazines and newspapers
- Computers

You can drop in anytime - or book in advance for a one-to-one tutorial.

## Computer access

When you enrol with us you will be issued with your own log-in giving you access to the virtual Student Central: the College's online comprehensive information and communication resource. It's through this system that you can access:

- Your college email account
- Your timetable
- The College's WiFi
- Our video portal where you'll find the latest TV programmes that might help with your studies
- Your printing account which is preloaded with credit



## OTHER PERSONAL INFORMATION

Hobbies and interests:

Work experience and employment:

Other achievements and certificates: (e.g. Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Youth Achievement, First Aid)

Responsibilities and positive contributions made:

## HEALTH

Has your education been affected by health problems? Please give brief details:

## LEARNING NEEDS

Do you need any extra support, perhaps with visual impairment, hearing, mobility difficulties or dyslexia?  
Please give brief details:

Do you need any extra support with reading, writing, number work? Please give brief details:

## PLEASE SIGN

I understand that the information provided on this form will be used to assess my suitability for the course(s) applied for, provide advice and guidance in relation to my stated aspirations and to contact me to follow up on my application or any advice given. If my application is successful I understand that the information will be used to pre-populate my enrolment form.

Signature:

Date

Please return this form in person or by post to:

### Admissions

Falmouth Marine School  
Killigrew Street  
Falmouth  
Cornwall  
TR11 3QS

If you have any questions about the course you would like to study please call 0845 22 32 567, email [falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk](mailto:falenquiries@cornwall.ac.uk), or go to [www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk](http://www.falmouthmarineschool.ac.uk).

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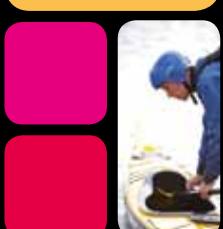
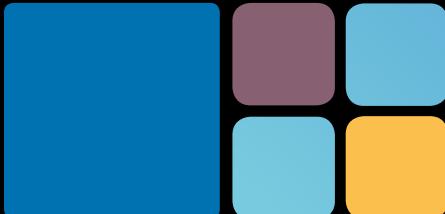
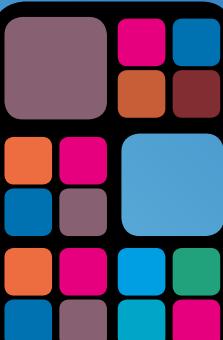
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