

Focus on the Future!

Part 9:

Year 10 Guide to Post 16 options.

You may be familiar now with the many local post 16 opportunities available, however for some students, they make the decision early on the either travel to and from a college further away, or even move away so that they can study their chosen area and specialise early on.

Here you can find out about some local alternative colleges further away. They are all examples of where previous year 11 students have successfully studied.

- **London Fashion Retail Academy:**



<https://www.fashionretailacademy.ac.uk/>

This is a college that offers BTEC courses and apprenticeships that specialise in fashion and fashion retail. They also offer university courses which means you could study here at age 16 or later as a university student.

- **Silverstone UTC**



<https://www.utc-silverstone.co.uk/>

Silverstone University Technical College (UTC), which opened in September 2013, is a new centre of excellence for young people wanting to break into the specialist fields of High Performance Engineering and Business & Technical Events Management. It is based in the very heart of British Motorsport, at the Silverstone racing grounds, in a stunning new multi-million pound facility.

- **The College, Bournemouth and Poole**

Chef Scholarship

<https://www.thecollege.co.uk/courses/specialised-chefs-scholarship>



The Specialised Chef Scholarship is a prestigious 3 year Advanced Apprenticeship which offers you the opportunity to train in all aspects of professional cookery to the highest level. The Scholarship is arranged by the Royal Academy of Culinary Arts and is managed by The Bournemouth & Poole College.

You will be sponsored by individual hotels and restaurants where you will work during your training and you must be prepared to live and work away from home. These are mostly, but not all, in London and include Claridge's Hotel, The Ritz, The Dorchester and Chewton Glen Hotel.

- **Harrogate Army Foundation College:**

<https://www.army.mod.uk/who-we-are/our-schools-and-colleges/afc-harrogate/>



The Army Foundation College is the only junior entry phase 1 establishment in the British Army. It provides basic military training and offers a mix of military training, personal development and education for under 19s.

Qualifications on offer

All of these colleges offer level 3 training equivalent to a level 3 BTEC or A levels.

Entry Requirements



For the majority of those courses, you may need to have a range of at least five GCSE passes at grade 4 or higher, ideally including English Language (or English Literature) and Mathematics.

Some of those courses may accept lower GCSE grades.

Some may look for you to show a particular interest, experience or skill in your chosen area.

There are many other specialist colleges in the UK so if you do have a particular interest then it is worth researching to see what is on offer!

I hope you have found this helpful. Please email me if you have any questions.

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