

Not sure what to do next? And unsure what course and programme options you have...
Look below to see some of the lesser known possibilities.

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Stepping-stone programmes at colleges in Suffolk:

Colleges run many vocational courses, they also offer stepping-stone programmes designed to help young people explore interests, boost their skills, and prepare for future choices.

Suffolk New College

As well as foundation programmes in vocational subjects, 'Step' courses help with settling into college life, building skills for employment, or distance learning. **NB** Step courses also have a January start



West Suffolk College

The Pathway courses focus on maths and English, gaining knowledge in a wide variety of areas, and developing life and social skills. **NB** new Pathway to Success courses in smaller centres outside the main campus:



East Coast College

ECC offers starting point courses. They develop transferable and vocational skills, get students involved in the community, and ensure support to choose next steps. The Breakthrough course is a great starting point for anyone who 'struggled in mainstream'



Short-term programmes



King's Trust Team Programme (ages 16-24)



Ipswich + Lowestoft 14th September and Bury St Edmunds (21st September)

Gain friends, build confidence, develop skills for team work & communication, and gain maths, English and other quals with a 12 week programme that includes a residential, projects and 2 weeks' work experience



Outstanding Futures | Ipswich (ages 16-18)

Ignite 'Mission Readiness' - start with a 6 week employability programme which includes mentoring, skills development and work experience....move onto 'Mission Ready' to successfully get into employment.

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Full-time programmes with a Training Provider

Interested in learning in a smaller, person-centred environment? Independent training providers across the county offer a large number of opportunities.

All courses are for 16-19s (and up to 24 if you still need an EHCP)



WS Training

Ipswich, Lowestoft & Haverhill



Offers a range of study programme courses. These courses include Personal Progress, Vocational Studies and Supported Internships which are suitable for SEND. All programmes focus on developing personal, social and employability skills, and supporting progression into further learning and employment.



TCHC

Ipswich



Provides functional skills in Maths/English alongside a main programme. Courses cover Progression, Construction and Employability, with smaller classrooms, a physical workshop for woodwork, carpentry and plumbing, and dedicated classroom sup-



MPCT

Ipswich, Colchester, Norwich & Cambridge



Get a unique experience with MPCT (Military Preparation College for Training): gain fitness, study subjects like Preparation for Military Service, maths and English and get ready for a variety of employment opportunities — including with the Armed Services. Drop-ins every Friday at 1pm in Ipswich.



Central Creative Academy

Ipswich



We offer Level 1 (a 12-16 week induction), 2 and 3 Hairdressing and Barbering courses in a friendly, small group setting. With personalised training and support, learners gain the skills, confidence and hands on experience needed to succeed in the workplace.



SCL

Sudbury, Felixstowe & Needham Market + Bury



SCL (Sport Centred Learning) partners with football clubs across Suffolk and offers programmes in Sports Activity and Personal Training at level 1 to 3. SCL Creative College offers performing arts near Bury St Edmunds at Level 3.



Action Community Enterprises—CIC

Gorleston



Accredited & non-accredited Vocational Training within Motor Vehicle, Construction & Hair/Beauty, Maths and English, employability, enrichment, soft skill development and work exp places available for post 16 Study Programmes.