

5 GCSE Course

Course category: GCSE Programme



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- **Subject:** GCSE Programme
- **Course type:** Full Time
- **Level:** 2
- **Duration:** 1 Year(s)
- **Attendance time:** Daytime

About the course

Having five GCSEs at grades 9 to 4, including English and maths, is often seen as a standard requirement for many jobs, college and university level courses. This one-year programme is for school leavers who need GCSEs in order to progress, but have not yet achieved the required grades. On this course you will study 5 key subjects at GCSE level. This will give you the opportunity to develop your knowledge and skills. You will also have the opportunity to take part in field trips relevant to your study and participate in enrichment opportunities. All elements of this course are mandatory. You must be willing to study all 5 subjects, if you already have a C/Grade 4 in one of the subjects we will help you to choose another option. You will also have a personal development session each week and will be expected to undertake some work experience during the year.

What areas will I study?

All of the pathways include English, Maths and Combined Science Trilogy (double award) and you will be required to study one further subject from: Psychology, Business, Physical Education or Statistics. Please note if you are interested in a particular vocational area, for example: Beauty, Games Design, Construction or Travel and Tourism, these courses offer English and maths GCSE alongside as standard for 16-18 year olds. Please search for these courses for more information.

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What are the entry requirements?

A good standard of English and maths is required to be enrolled on this course; if you have previously studied GCSE we would expect that you have achieved a grade 3 in English, maths and Science or Level 2 Functional Skills. Please note that you will also be assessed before enrolment to ensure you are ready for this level of study. You will be expected to demonstrate a commitment to your studies by completing homework on a regular basis and have good attendance and punctuality.

Where can I progress next?

Successful completion of 5 GCSEs opens the door to study at higher level, such as A Levels, T Levels, other level 3 courses or apprenticeships.

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Is this course free?

At South & City College Birmingham, we offer a wide range of courses for most age groups.

School Leavers: For learners who are between the ages of 16 to 18, studies will be free.

Adults: For learners who are aged 19 or over, the cost of study will depend on the course or programme that you choose. Some courses may even be free*. If the course is not free, students aged 19 at the start of their programme who wish to study need to either pay their course fees, or take out an Advanced Learning Loan.

*Eligibility criteria applies. There may be an exception for students aged 19 or over that are taking their first full Level 3 qualifications (equivalent to A Levels and Access to HE Diplomas), who could be supported by the Learner Support Fund, or free adult course funded by the WMCA. To find out what financial support is available to you or whether your course is free, call our friendly admissions team on 0121 694 5000 during office hours, or email us via: admissions-shared@sccb.ac.uk, we look forward to hearing from you.

Full details regarding our adult funding, or learner loans can be found on our website via: [Click here](#) target="_blank">Money Matters

Higher Education: If you are planning to undertake one of our Higher Education courses you can apply for a loan with Student Finance England, or apply for an Advanced Learner Loan with the college to support towards your course fees. Adults may be eligible for FREE tuition through the WMCA's free courses for jobs offer.

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