

# SOUTH DOWNS COLLEGE

## PORTSMOUTH, UK



Age Range  
16-18



Public  
School



EU Students  
accepted



NON-EU  
Students  
accepted



TERM  
3-4 Months



SEMESTER  
5-6 Months



Academic  
Year



London  
Gatwick  
Airport



### FANTASTIC RANGE OF BTEC COURSES DELIVERED BY FRIENDLY AND SUPPORTIVE TEACHERS!

Situated near Portsmouth on the beautiful south coast of England, South Downs College is a vocational centre of excellence offering a wide range of BTEC qualifications. With fantastic exam results and extra-curricular activities, it's no wonder that many South Downs College students progress to study at leading universities. Equally, with the range of practical transferable skills gained on BTEC courses, students also have the option to go straight into employment.

South Downs College encourages students to become independent adults by taking ownership of their studies and managing their spare time effectively, and this is encouraged by the college's progressive approach to timetabling. Classes do not start until 10am because academic research shows that teenagers learn better later in the day. Students then have 5 hours of teaching time per subject, per week, which is more than any other college in the local area.

Staff are committed to providing students with the highest level of teaching and learning possible and all students are supported to ensure they reach their fullest potential.

### Where is Havant College?



### Facts about Portsmouth

- Population: 208,000
- 1 hour 45 minutes from London
- 20 minutes from the beach and the tourist city of Portsmouth
- Closest airport: London Gatwick
- The perfect base for exploring popular cities in the south of England



SCHOOL TYPE	
State (Public)	●
Private Day	
Private Boarding	

QUALIFICATIONS AVAILABLE	
A Level (1 year intense)	
A Level (2 year)	
GCSE	
T Levels	●
BTEC	●
Extended Project Qualification	
University Foundation	
IB	
University Foundation	



**Total Number of Students Enrolled**  
**4,200**

**IELTS level required**  
**5.5**

**Teacher : Students Ratio:**  
**1:20**

**Average number of different nationalities**  
**16**

**RANKING**  
**OFSTED - GOOD**

**Total Number of International Students Enrolled**  
**20**

- University Acceptances**
- University of the Arts London
  - The University of Birmingham
  - The University of Bristol
  - The University of Southampton
  - The University of Exeter

**SCHOOL ACCREDITATIONS**  
TES FE Awards 2020- Shortlisted for Outstanding Use of Technology and Best Teaching and Learning Initiative

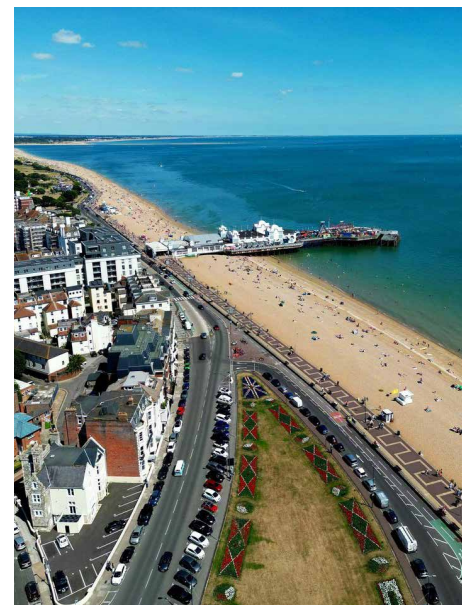
**Over 40 courses to choose from**

**School Uniform**  
**NO** uniform required

**A\* - C Grades**  
**72%**

**All courses are vocational career-focused courses. Students will choose one of the following:**

VOCATIONAL/BTEC			
Esports	●	Criminology & Law	●
Art & Design	●	Engineering	●
Fashion	●	Hospitality & Catering	●
Film & TV Production	●	Accounting	●
Music Production	●	Music Technology	●
Musical Theatre	●	Sport	●
Healthy & Social Care	●	Beauty Therapy	●
Applied Psychology	●	Business	●
Travel & Tourism	●	Outdoor Adventure	●
Dance, Performance & Choreography	●	Fitness & Performance	●
Digital Games Design & Development	●	Forensic Science & Criminal Investigation	●
Acting for Stage & Screen	●	Football Performance and Coaching	●
Design & Clothing Construction	●	Hairdressing & Make up Artistry	●
Journalism & Digital Communications	●	Creative Media Production	●
Photography & Graphic Design	●	Personal Training for Health	●
Popular Music Performance	●	Sport Science & Therapy	●
Sport Coaching & PE Teaching	●	Performing Arts & Dance	●
		International Logistic	●



## PORTSMOUTH

Portsmouth is a highly popular and dynamic island city located on the beautiful south coast of England. With miles of beautiful waterfront, a rich maritime history and a lively and stylish city centre, Portsmouth is the perfect coastal destination that truly offers something for everyone.

International high school students who choose to live in Portsmouth will have a wealth of exciting things to do in their spare time. Their weekends can be spent exploring the city's many world-class visitor attractions, museums and unique shopping and dining destinations, or trying out watersports, taking boat trips to nearby islands or discovering local castles and nature reserves.



## THE 'BE EXTRAORDINARY' PROGRAMME

There's a lot more to South Downs College than just gaining qualifications. The pioneering Be Extraordinary programme is designed to provide opportunities for all students to explore beyond their curriculum choices and enrich their student experience. Be Extraordinary allows students to participate in a range of activities focusing on Being Active, Being Employable, Being Involved and Being Adventurous. The activities, which range from work experience and university preparation to school trips and playing sports, all aim to develop students' knowledge and skills and provide building blocks for their chosen future pathways.

## SPORTS & EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Football
- Basketball
- Rugby
- Badminton
- Netball
- Hockey
- Table Tennis
- Tennis
- Trampolineing
- Volleyball
- Cricket
- Athletics
- Swimming
- Drama
- Debating
- The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme
- School Trips
- Students' Union
- Community Volunteering
- Combined Cadet Force
- LGBT Forum
- Book Club

## APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- IELTS score minimum 5.5
- Completed application form, returned to Educatius
- Academic reports from the previous 3 years
- Teacher recommendation
- Full immunisation history and medical declaration
- Virtual interview with Educatius representative & South Down's
- Assessment tests



## WHY CHOOSE SOUTH DOWNS COLLEGE?

### EXPERT LECTURERS

Whatever course type students choose, they will be taught by dedicated and experienced lecturers who are experts in their field. Havant teachers are committed to making lessons interesting and interactive and making sure students get everything they need to achieve their aspirations. Lecturers teach tips and tricks of the industry and pass on their own experience and excellent industry connections, whilst teaching students the key skills they will need to stand out from the crowd when applying for work or university.

### STATE-OF-THE-ART FACILITIES

Students can benefit from the wide range of modern facilities across the Havant campus. Dance studios, science labs, recording studios, a fully-equipped gym and 4G AstroTurf pitch, art studios, study centres, libraries, a sensory room – the list is endless. Between lessons, there are also plenty of social spaces for students to grab lunch or a coffee with friends.