



University Centre Telford 2016 – 2017 programmes

Putting education at the heart of Telford.

in partnership with

TELFORD COLLEGE
of Arts and Technology



Student success



Name: **Carys Jones**

Course: **BA (Hons) Creative and Professional Writing and Film Studies, University of Wolverhampton**

Carys Jones from Telford has enjoyed great success as a freelance writer and published novelist since graduating from the University of Wolverhampton.

“I was attracted to the University of Wolverhampton as it offered the perfect course – nowhere else combined my dual loves of film and creative writing. My studies solidified my desire to become a writer. Lecturers were very supportive and it was refreshing to meet like-minded people. I learnt a lot of useful tools in terms of developing a character, a story and my writing style.

I currently have four books published with Carina UK – Prime Deception is a standalone thriller and the fourth book in my Avalon series, Fourth to Run, was published in 2015. I’m also published with REUTS Publications with a contemporary young adult book, Dare to Dream. Right now, I’m writing three books at once – I wouldn’t have it any other way!”



Name: **Lourens Vlaanderen**

Course: **Foundation Degree in Computing, Telford College of Arts and Technology**

Business owner and self-taught IT technician Lourens enrolled at TCAT to gain further qualifications in computing.

“After running my own company in Holland for several years, at the age of 42 I came to the UK in a bid to further boost my skills. I signed up for the Certificate of Higher Education in Computer Networking, which I followed by completing the Foundation Degree at the college.

TCAT fuelled my appetite for education. I love taking up a challenge and thriving off successfully completing it. The lecturers gave me the best possible advice for my future, and the course has since proved to be the stepping stone to a host of new career development opportunities for me. I am considering a new job in the computing sector but am also investigating the possibility of a Master’s degree.”



Welcome to University Centre Telford

The University of Wolverhampton, in partnership with Telford College of Arts and Technology (TCAT) and Telford and Wrekin Council, welcomes you to University Centre Telford: a bold venture putting education at the heart of Telford.

Our aim is to widen access to higher education by bringing more opportunities for personal and professional development to the people of Telford – and beyond.

Drop in to get advice on higher education, participate in a taster session, attend a guest lecture or sign up for a part time course to gain a qualification. You can do all this and more at University Centre Telford – offering you the flexibility to pursue your interests and build upon existing skills.

Whatever your age, whatever your interest – at University Centre Telford, you can gain the knowledge and expertise to uncover exciting new opportunities.

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It's about where you are and how to move forward...this is a place where you will achieve the confidence that you require in order to be successful in the post you take up.

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Sofina Islam, Headteacher

Former University of Wolverhampton student



About us

Telford College of Arts and Technology

As one of the largest providers of further education in Shropshire, Telford College of Arts and Technology (TCAT) offers a pathway to degree-level qualifications in a host of disciplines including Accounting, Computing, Engineering, Business, Childcare, Education, Health, Human Resources . . . and lots more.

TCAT is committed to its mission statement “Where great futures begin and every learner matters” and around 20,000 students enrol each year – with approximately 10% of those on full-time courses.

Most of TCAT’s higher level courses last for two years, though there are some that can be completed inside 12 months.

And you don’t have to attend college full-time. You can also take most of TCAT’s higher level courses on a part-time basis, which means if you already have a job, you can combine work with study.

TCAT graduates say that higher level courses greatly improve their employability. They also allow students to continue their education even further by studying at university.

Most of TCAT’s higher education courses are delivered from its advanced facilities at the Wellington campus, with some modules based at University Centre Telford at Southwater.



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The learning environment... and the lecturers made this the best learning experience I have ever had.

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Lourens Vlaanderen, IT technician and business owner

Former TCAT student

L  **K AT THE RESULTS:**
100% OF ALL TCAT FOUNDATION DEGREE COMPUTING LEARNERS WHO PROGRESSED ONTO THE TOP UP YEAR AT THE UNIVERSITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COMPLETED THEIR DEGREE WITH A 2.1 OR 1ST CLASS HONOURS.

About us

University of Wolverhampton

As a major player in the UK higher education sector, the University of Wolverhampton has a long history of providing students with a first class education.

The University excels in the areas that have contributed to its acclaimed reputation: award-winning teaching, state-of-the-art facilities, international partnerships and strong business links. 96% of students are in further study or in employment six months after graduating (DLHE 2015), while the recent Research Excellence Framework 2014 recognised the world-leading standard of several areas of the University's research.

The University of Wolverhampton is investing over £12million in advanced new engineering facilities and courses in response to the regional and national shortage of qualified engineering graduates.

Major investment at our Telford Innovation Campus as part of the Our Vision, Your Opportunity programme will focus on enhancing facilities to provide students with access to technology and teaching and learning at the forefront of engineering developments.

The University of Wolverhampton continues to be guided by its key principles 'Innovation and Opportunity', widening participation in education and offering over 300 courses that challenge students to realise their potential.



Courses for 2016 – 2017

Courses starting in September and October

Programme	Content	Date/time	Course Fee
GCSE English for Adults	This is a one year course leading to a GCSE in English Language. It develops skills in reading, writing, speaking and listening and learners will read a variety of texts, including study of a novel or play.	Part time for 1 year – commencing 22 Sept 2016 Thursday 09.00 – 12.30	Non-chargeable if the learner doesn't already hold a GCSE A*-C
GCSE Maths for Adults	This is a one year course for learners who have already achieved a D Grade or are working at Level 1 numeracy. It is divided into 3 modules and all units are assessed by external examinations.	Part time for 1 year – commencing 22 Sept 2016 Thursday 18.00 – 21.00	Non-chargeable if the learner doesn't already hold a GCSE A*-C
NCFE Certificate in Counselling	This Level 3 qualification is intended for people who wish to develop their counselling skills and to understand the theoretical roots of counselling for use in an occupational setting. For many, this will be a further step towards becoming a counselling practitioner.	Part time for 1 year – commencing 22 Sept 2016 Thursday 18.00 – 21.00	£635
CertEd (PCE) Certificate in Education (post compulsory education) Prof Grad CertEd (PCE) Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (post compulsory education)	The Certificate in Education post compulsory education is a two year course that is undertaken by FE teachers who are already working in the sector. The Professional Graduate Certificate maps across the Certificate in Education and is for those candidates who already have a degree.	Part time for 4 Semesters (2 years) - commencing 27 Sept 2016 Tuesday (yr. 1) 10.00 – 16.00	£2,780 per year
CMI Level 5 Diploma in Management & Leadership	This qualification supports people in developing their management and leadership capabilities to drive personal and organisational improvement.	Part time for 1 year - commencing 28 Sept 2016 Wednesday 17.30 – 20.30	£1,600 + VAT plus CMI registration & certification costs
Postgraduate Diploma Human Resource Management	This Level 7 qualification aims to support learners' careers in HR by developing knowledge and understanding of the disciplines of HR, encouraging critical reflective thinking and developing independent personal development skills. The course is aligned to the professional standards of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) and, upon successful completion; it offers you the opportunity to apply for membership of CIPD.	Part time for 4 Semesters (2 years) - commencing 29 Sept 2016 Thursday (yr. 1) 09.30 – 16.30	£2,430 per year + CIPD registration & certification costs

Semester 1

Programme	Content	Date/time	Course Fee
Media, Culture and Society (module)	The aim of this module is to introduce students to the ways in which media, culture and society interact. The module will investigate the context of media production and consumption, as well as identifying the ways in which media texts construct meaning.	Part time for 1 Semester – commencing 30 Sept 2016 Friday 9.30 – 12.30	£99 (introductory offer) *
Introduction to Philosophy (module)	This module aims to introduce students to philosophical reasoning, critical thinking and how to construct and challenge arguments. Various means will be used to develop skills of argumentation and analysis, including analysis of core philosophical texts such as Descartes or Plato and engagement with rhetorical devices and fallacies in various contexts. Students will also learn to identify presuppositions and conclusions of arguments and become familiar with propositional and basic symbolic logic.	Part time for 1 Semester – commencing 30 Sept 2016 Friday 13.30 – 16.30	£99 (introductory offer) *
The Craft of Writing (module)	This module aims to acquaint students with a wide range of ideas about language and writing; develop a foundation level understanding of language, text and the craft of writing for future creative and professional writing experiences; enable students to make informed judgments about the nature and function of language and writing; and apply their understanding by writing original texts.	Part time for 1 Semester - commencing 1 Oct 2016 for 12 weeks Saturday 10.00 – 13.00	£99 (introductory offer) *
Relocating English in FE: functional literacy and the new GCSE (seminar)	A seminar for FE teachers and interested others. It is intended as a roundtable discussion which invites its participants to share issues, experiences and anxieties about English post 16 but also to offer a positive take on uncertain times.	Saturday 15 Oct 2016 11.00 – 15.00	Free (pre booking required)
Roles and Responsibilities of Healthcare Practitioners (module)	This module will help people to develop their understanding of the current multidisciplinary approach to healthcare and the roles of healthcare professionals.	Part time for 7 weeks - commencing 31 Oct 2016 Monday 09.15 – 12.30	£75
Reading/writing for academic purposes and study skills	These sessions focus on essential components of academic reading and writing in order to make work clear and understandable to whoever is reading and/or marking it. It also covers referencing, developing arguments and ways to critically evaluate theoretical approaches.	Saturday sessions 10.00 – 13.00 8 Oct 2016 5 Nov 2016 3 Dec 2016	Free drop-in sessions (pre booking required)

*Introductory offer applies to first undergraduate module studied at University Centre Telford only. Normal prices apply to subsequent modules studied and retakes – loans may be available to support part time study.

Semester 2

Programme	Content	Date/time	Course Fee
BA (Hons) Special Educational Needs, Disability, Inclusion Childhood and Family Studies (level 6 entry)	This course will enable learners to build on previous Foundation Degree level studies to gain a BA (Hons) degree. It will help learners to develop the skills and knowledge required for a range of careers working with children, their families and the services that support them, in both education and social contexts.	Part time for 4 Semesters (2 years) - commencing 17 Jan 2017 Tuesday (yr. 1) 17.00 – 21.00	£2,780 per year
Brief Encounters: Exploring Narrative through Short Stories (module)	This module will examine the shorter fiction and literature of a range of authors whilst also considering the short story as a distinct literary form. We will investigate the formal characteristics of the short story – plot (or its frequent absence), narrative technique, arrangement of scenes, tone, and how the structure determines the treatment of a range of contemporary ideas.	Part time for 1 Semester - commencing 21 Jan 2017 for 12 weeks Saturday 10.00 - 13.00	£99 * (introductory offer)
Reading as a Writer (module)	This is a module from BA (Hons) Creative and Professional Writing and teaches students how to read with an eye for technique. It focuses on how writing is structured and the various ways in which authors create compelling narratives. It addresses a variety of modes of writing and genres including novels, short stories, poetry, reviews and interviews. Students will be given the opportunity to experiment creatively within those modes, and reflect on what can be learned from the study of other people's work.	Part time for 1 Semester - commencing 21 Jan 2017 for 12 weeks Saturday 13.30 – 16.30	£99 * (introductory offer)
Care Planning (module)	This is a module from the Foundation Degree (Arts) Health and Social Care. It explores new approaches to care planning through the application of theory to practice. It will be of particular interest to people already working within the health and social care sector, particularly those with operational management responsibilities.	12 week course commencing 24 Jan 2017 Tuesday 13.15 – 16.30	£100 * (introductory offer)
Health Promotion (module)	This unit explores the theory and practice underpinning health promotion and education. Study includes factors affecting health and well-being, definitions, models and concepts of health and illness, advances in medicine and technology, historical perspectives and epidemiology.	Part time for 7 weeks - commencing 25 Jan 2017 Wednesday 09.15 – 12.30	£100 * (introductory offer)

Semester 2

Programme	Content	Date/time	Course Fee
Reading/writing for academic purposes and study skills	These sessions focus on essential components of academic reading and writing in order to make work clear and understandable to whoever is reading and/or marking it. It also covers referencing, developing arguments and ways to critically evaluate theoretical approaches.	Saturday sessions 10.00 – 13.00 4 Feb 2017 4 Mar 2017 1 Apr 2017	Free drop-in sessions (pre booking required)
MA programmes distance learning support	Small group sessions to support local students enrolled on MA English (distance learning) and MA Military History (distance learning) programmes which are available on a full and part time basis. Support will include research methodologies, data collection and analysis skills, developing critical thinking and extended writing skills.	Friday 10 Feb 2017 10.00 – 12.00 Friday 7 April 2017 10.00 – 12.00	Free for students enrolled on University of Wolverhampton MA English and MA Military History

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How to apply

Interested in one of our courses?

Want to take the next step? Find out all you need to know by contacting University Centre Telford to discuss how to apply. We'll guide you through the application process, putting you in touch with TCAT's Learner Services, the University's Student Services or course tutors if required.

We can also offer further guidance on your chosen course – for example, you may be eligible for a 20% discount on the first year of a taught postgraduate programme if you completed an undergraduate degree at the University of Wolverhampton.

Please note: all scheduled courses/sessions and timeframes are subject to change. The University of Wolverhampton and TCAT reserve the right to cancel courses if there is insufficient demand.

To keep up-to-date, please drop in to see us at University Centre Telford or visit us online: uctelford.co.uk



Monthly activity and taster sessions

Through our programme of taster sessions, we provide access to expertise from across the University of Wolverhampton, enabling you to gain knowledge and insight into subjects that you are passionate about.

Coming soon – check www.uctelford.co.uk for dates and details of sessions on the following subjects:

- Revalidation for nurses and midwives
- Return to nursing
- Cybersecurity
- Developing an art and design portfolio/sketch
- Introduction to fashion and textiles
- Introduction to product design
- Writing poetry
- Life writing
- Music and image
- Adaptations – from novel to screen
- Reading and discussion club
- Why study the humanities?
- Poetry: a closer look
- Your guide to degree level apprenticeships
- Parental engagement events



Support for you

Are you considering higher education but unsure what to do next?
Let us help – we'll make the process easy.

Our friendly and helpful team is on hand with information to support you.

Our services include:

- Help with choosing the right taster, module or course for your future development and/or career
- Advice on whether full-time or part-time study would be your best option
- Information on what higher education study involves, especially for mature students
- Finance and funding guidance, including eligibility and how to apply
- Help in preparing applications to higher education
- Information on foreign qualifications – UK equivalents, what to do next
- Career development and progression planning, including CPD and postgraduate study.

By choosing University Centre Telford, you will also be part of the University of Wolverhampton and TCAT's extended student body and will enjoy access to excellent teaching and learning and modern facilities.

To discuss any of the above, call in or make an appointment to see one of our specialists at University Centre Telford - we're happy to help.

Room Bookings

The University Centre Telford is a great place to host meetings and events for up to 40 delegates. It provides the perfect venue for a wide range of events, including:

- Networking meetings
- Client meetings
- Training sessions
- Workshops
- Interviews and presentations
- Assessment centres

Our rooms are modern, well equipped and all benefit from natural daylight. We can use our innovative node chairs to configure the rooms to meet your needs. We also have standard chairs and tables for more formal arrangements.

To make a booking please phone

University Centre Telford on **01952 277777**

or email us on **enquiries@uctelford.co.uk**



Contact us

Opening hours: 09.00 – 17.00 Monday to Friday.
Evening and weekend classes will run at advertised times.

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