Admissions to Year 10 for September 2021

Atypical School

UTC South Durham

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Details

University Technology College South Durham is a specialist school and Sixth Form focusing on engineering, technology, science and maths for 13-19 year olds. It attracts students from across the North East and is popular with young people from across a wide geographical area. The focus is on gaining GCSE or A Level qualifications, on becoming ready for work and developing skills that employers are looking for.

The UTC opened in 2016 and has seen great success in the first few years. Ofsted rated the UTC as 'Good' across all areas in an inspection in January 2019, recognising the quality of delivery as a school, as well as the technical and employment strengths. Destinations for the first two cohorts have been outstanding. Of 18 year old leavers, all who wanted to go to university did so, all to their first choice and all to study STEM subjects while over half succeeded in gaining paid apprenticeships with local employers – eight times the national average for the age group. There have been several recent successes with students starting degree apprenticeships in a range of sectors from accountancy to civil engineering. Nobody who left at 16 or 18 was classed as NEET (not in education, employment or training).

The UTC recruits into Years 10 and 12. Students in Year 10 and 11 will be engaged in a programme of technical subjects, including a choice of three different types of Engineering, along with the core GCSE subjects of English Language and Literature, Maths, Sciences and a range of option GCSEs. They visit companies and undertake projects led by local businesses. Most students continue to the UTC's Sixth Form to study further technical subjects before progressing to apprenticeships or university. And, for the first time the UTC is recruiting students to start in Year 9 in September 2021. Year 9 is a foundation year to prepare students for our technical subjects

UTC's were established by the government to encourage young people to study technical subjects and sciences. UTC South Durham is on the Aycliffe Business Park and was founded by the University of Sunderland, Hitachi Rail and Gestamp Tallent; students work with a wide range of companies from across many sectors, developing workplace skills and the confidence to decide on a future career direction.

The UTC operates a full working week (8:30am to 4:30pm for three days a week, finishing at 2:30pm on Wednesday/Friday). The 31 hours of education a week is considerably more than most schools and allows a full set of GCSE subjects as well as technical learning and workplace experiences. A strong interest in STEM subjects (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) and a good work ethic are essential. UTC South Durham is located just north of Darlington and is very well served by public bus and train as well as the UTC's own minibuses.

There are 100 places available for September 2021 in Year 9, 150 for Year 10 and 150 for Year 12. Applications are made directly to the UTC and the deadline is 1st December 2020. Information about admissions is available on the website and applications are made on line.

Open events for families are on Tuesday 6th October 2020 and Tuesday 17th November 2020 from 5.30pm to 7.30pm and can be booked through the website **www.utcsouthdurham.org**

Atypical School Details Career College North East Career College North East (CCNE) is a unique innovative partnership between South Tyneside College and St Wilfrid's RC, and fully supported by the Careers c/o South Tyneside College, College Trust. Specialising in Engineering and Digital Skills, it is aimed at 14 to Westoe Campus, St Georges Avenue, 19-year-olds who want to 'get ahead' in the drive for employment and South Shields, NE34 6ET apprenticeships in addition to a host of other benefits. Academically, students will join St Wilfrid's RC in South Shields, where for four Telephone: 0191 427 3500 Email: days a week they will be rigorously taught the challenging EBAC suite of info@ccne.co.uk academic GCSE qualifications; and vocationally, spend a fifth day at South Website: www.ccne.co.uk Tyneside College, a specialist training and education centre with great regional reach and the expert skills to ensure the best possible learning experience. It is within the college's advanced facilities that training will be undertaken by skilled tutors, who will be supported by experts from renowned companies such as engineering giant Siemens. These and other employers will play a crucial role in the design and delivery of the curriculum, ensuring students learn and develop employability skills and 'hands on' experience by setting real-work challenges. All enquiries and applications should be made direct. VIRTUAL OPEN EVENT: 30th September 2020, 5.30 – 6.30pm. Additional **North East Futures UTC** events to follow later in the year. Stephenson Square, North East Futures UTC is based in Newcastle. It has specialisms in Healthcare Stephenson Quarter, Science and Digital Technology. At NEF UTC, students in Year 10 and 11 study Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 3AS these specialisms along with the core subjects of English Language and Literature, Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology and Computer Science. A range Telephone: 0191 917 9888 of option choices are also available e.g. Art, Geography, History or Business & Email: info@nefuturesutc.co.uk Enterprise. Website: www.nefuturesutc.co.uk Our sponsors include NHS, Sage, Ubisoft, Accenture and University of Sunderland. The sponsors are represented on the governing body and work closely with the school and the students. Information about admissions to Year 10 (and Year 12) is available on the website (www.nefuturesutc.co.uk) or by contacting the school. NEF UTC is located in Newcastle city centre with great transport links by bus, metro and rail.