

# PETROC NEWS LETTER

October 2024

HELLO!

We hope the start of term is going well and you're back into a good routine! There is a lot happening this term, so make sure to take note of some important dates!

OPEN EVENTS

Over the next few months, we will be holding a series of Open Events that we would love to invite you to attend. Come and speak with our lecturers about the different options available to you, see our workshops and ask any questions that you may have. Our team is on hand to assist you as you progress through Year 11 and plan your future steps. Please see below the up and coming Open Events for this academic year:

Wednesday 6 November 2024: 5.00-8.00pm

Thursday 5 December 2024: 5.00-7.30pm

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## WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE TO ME?

There are many different routes available to you, post 16, depending on how you learn best. At Petroc we provide a variety of courses which will enable you to find something that suits you and your learning style.

**A LEVELS:** A Levels are Level 3 subjects which are taken over two years. They are ideal if you enjoy a subject at GCSE and want to continue to study it at the next level - and maybe at university in the future. A Level courses are suitable if you enjoy a more academic style of learning.

**VOCATIONAL:** Vocational courses provide a blend of classroom tuition mixed with practical, hands-on learning and work experience in specific industry areas such as Engineering, Childcare and Hair and Beauty. These include BTECs and T Levels, and are good if you prefer the practical elements of learning as not only will you learn in the classroom, you will also spend time in the workplace environment during your work placement and in our industry standard workspaces.

**APPRENTICESHIP:** Apprenticeships enable you to carry out a genuine job whilst studying for a formal qualification. They're the perfect combination of hands-on experience and earning a salary - whilst also studying at college. 80% of your time will be spent in the workplace and 20% will be spent in college completing the classroom based learning.

## WHAT DO OUR STUDENTS THINK?



### Brooke Freeman

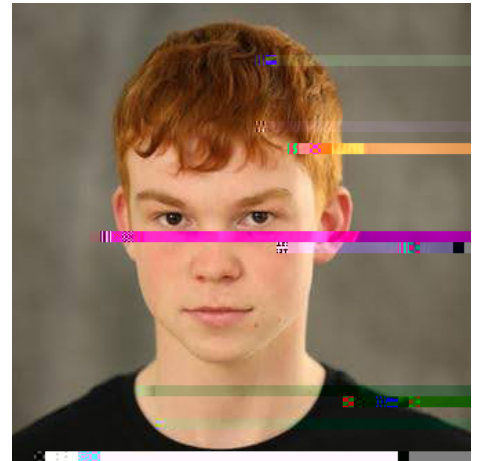
A Level Physics, Maths, Geography, Further Maths

“The access to a range of experiences and opportunities is incredible. I enjoyed the opportunity to visit different countries like Iceland with Geography. Also the lecturers are really lovely.

Be brave and have confidence in yourself, it can be difficult at times but knowing it'll be worth it helps with motivation.”

**Joel Stanhope**  
Extended Diploma in Performing Arts

“The thing I most enjoy about Petroc is the people. Everyone on my course is nice and we all get on very well. All the teachers are always willing to talk and offer help when required. When I leave Petroc I will be going to MetFilm school to study a degree in acting for screen. This will be in Leeds. After this, I hope to go into the film industry and star in many different projects.”



**BOOK A TOUR**

If you require any further support or would like a tour or visit of the campus, please contact [schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk](mailto:schoolliaison@petroc.ac.uk) and we can arrange a convenient time.

Best wishes,

Heather & Aimee

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