Leicester College

Environmental Sustainability Award level 1

Course Overview

This is a supported online learning course which is all year (50 weeks of the year including non-term times). You will work on our IT workshop and study the units that make up this award, which could be one whole day or split over a few days. the course is designed so the days and times suit your personal commitments, and the learning is taken at your own pace and complete the assessment once they feel ready. The aim of this course is to provide you with the knowledge and understanding of the basic principles of sustainability and environmental impacts. This qualification introduces key issues in sustainability, raising awareness of the topic and encouraging to consider your role in helping to make sustainable choices and be able to identify the local and global benefits of sustainability sector including waste management, construction sector and businesses wishing to comply with current legislation.

What you will learn

During this online course, you will learn about the following: 1) how to identify the main themes of sustainable development 2) gain knowledge on excess energy consumption and the environmental problems this can cause. 3) identify natural resources and explain their importance 4) identify the sustainability issues surrounding natural resources 5) how goods and services are created and the waste impacts the environment and methods used to reduce this impact, 6) gain an understanding of energy and water usage and the ideas and technologies used to reduce usage.

Entry Requirements

There are no formal entry requirements, however, a reasonable level of literacy is expected i.e. you can write and speak to make yourself understood. It would be useful to be able to use a keyboard although support is available. If you have any concerns regarding your literacy level or IT skills, please contact us.

How you will be assessed

You will complete short mock tests following completion of the learning for each unit and when you feel confident and following a discussion with the tutor, you will then complete a multiple choice online exam.

Course Fees

You will not be required to pay a fee for this course if you are in receipt of one of the following benefits: -Universal Credit - JSA or ESA (Employment and Support Allowance Work Related Action Group) - Low waged. Please note evidence of benefits will be required on the application.

Course Progession

On completion of this award, your tutor will be able to provide advice and guidance on other online or distance learning courses, or classroom-based programmes. These might include CV writing, interview skills, customer service skills and other short vocational programmes. This qualification will support you to gain employment by improving your confidence. For more detailed advice and guidance about future steps, you can make an appointment with one of our qualified careers advisers who can support you to find the most suitable career path for you and to make the most of your skills and qualifications.

What Happens Next

Apply online via the College website. You will be contacted to attend an interview if required, or you will be sent a conditional offer according to the entry requirements of the course. You will then be invited in to enrol for your chosen course. For applications via JCP, please let your Work Coach know. Subject to individual eligibility and type of benefit, the vast majority of courses are FREE to people in receipt of an employment-related benefit JSA, Universal Credit or ESA (Employment and Support Allowance).

Course Details



