

## What is the course about?

Our Functional Skills courses for adults focus on the practical skills you need for everyday work and life.

They help you develop useful maths skills and teach you how to apply them in real-life situations. Whether it's calculating percentages for your job or managing your personal finances, these courses focus on practical maths you can use every day.

The courses are offered at three levels: Entry Level, Level 1, and Level 2. Each one is designed to build on your current skills and knowledge.

Courses run for 16 weeks, with start dates in September and February.

The awarding body for this course is City & Guilds.

## Why should I choose the course?

We understand that for some people, maths just doesn't add up.

That's why we've removed the fear of maths for those who dislike working with numbers. Our course gives you the skills you need to build confidence.

Whether it's checking your change in a shop or helping your children with homework, these skills can truly be life-changing. They can also improve your chances of getting a job if you're unemployed or help you progress if you're already working.

Imagine being able to do things you never thought possible. Get in touch with us today to find out more!

Many universities accept Functional Skills Level 2 as an alternative to GCSE for entry, but this depends on the university and course. Always check the specific requirements directly with the university.

## What will I learn?

Functional Skills courses focus on practical maths skills. You will learn how to calculate with whole numbers, fractions, percentages, ratios, and scale. You will also cover measuring shape and space, as well as using statistics and presenting data.

You will practice these skills through task-based activities that reflect real-life situations. Your tutor will regularly review your progress to help you improve.

During the course, you will work individually, in pairs, in small groups, and as a whole group. To reinforce what you learn, you will need to spend at least one hour per week on directed study outside of class.



# What will the course lead on to?

On successful completion, by achieving a pass in a formal examination, you will receive a City & Guilds Functional Skills qualification in Maths at Entry Level, Level 1, or Level 2.

You may then progress to the next level of Functional Skills Maths, study for your GCSE, or try courses in other areas with advice from experienced teachers.

# Are there any links with industry and university?

These courses are designed specifically to help you improve your chances of securing a job or progressing in your current role.

Employers, no matter what industry sector, want employees who can use numbers effectively, solve problems, and are numerically competent

# What support is available?

We have a team of staff dedicated to providing learning support if required, as well as a Wellbeing Team that is on hand to offer guidance, support and help when needed. Additionally, eligible students can access a wide range of finance and funding support to help them during their time at college.

Click here for learning support: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/learning-support>

Click here for finance support: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/financial-support>

# Why should I choose to study the course at Warrington & Vale Royal College?

Studying at Warrington & Vale Royal College is easier than you think. With courses that fit around you, help with finance, and support with study and IT skills, we've got everything you need to succeed!

Perhaps you think you're too old, can't afford it, or haven't got the time - well think again! We are a college for the whole community and we've made it easier than ever for you to achieve your ambitions with our engaging courses and expert tuition.

# What are the entry requirements?

Before you enrol, we will ensure you join the course that best suits your level through a short Skills Check and an information appointment.

You should be able to identify which skills you want to improve, have clear goals you want to achieve, and be able to work independently.

# What are my funding options?



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Winsford campus  
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 [learner.services@wvr.ac.uk](mailto:learner.services@wvr.ac.uk)

For more information about financial support, please visit: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/financial-support>

For personalised advice on funding, please contact our Learner Services Team on 01925 494 400 or email [learner.services@wvr.ac.uk](mailto:learner.services@wvr.ac.uk).

## Are there any additional costs associated with the course?

There are no additional costs. Throughout the course you will be provided with a variety of resources in class and on the college's Virtual Learning Environment.



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