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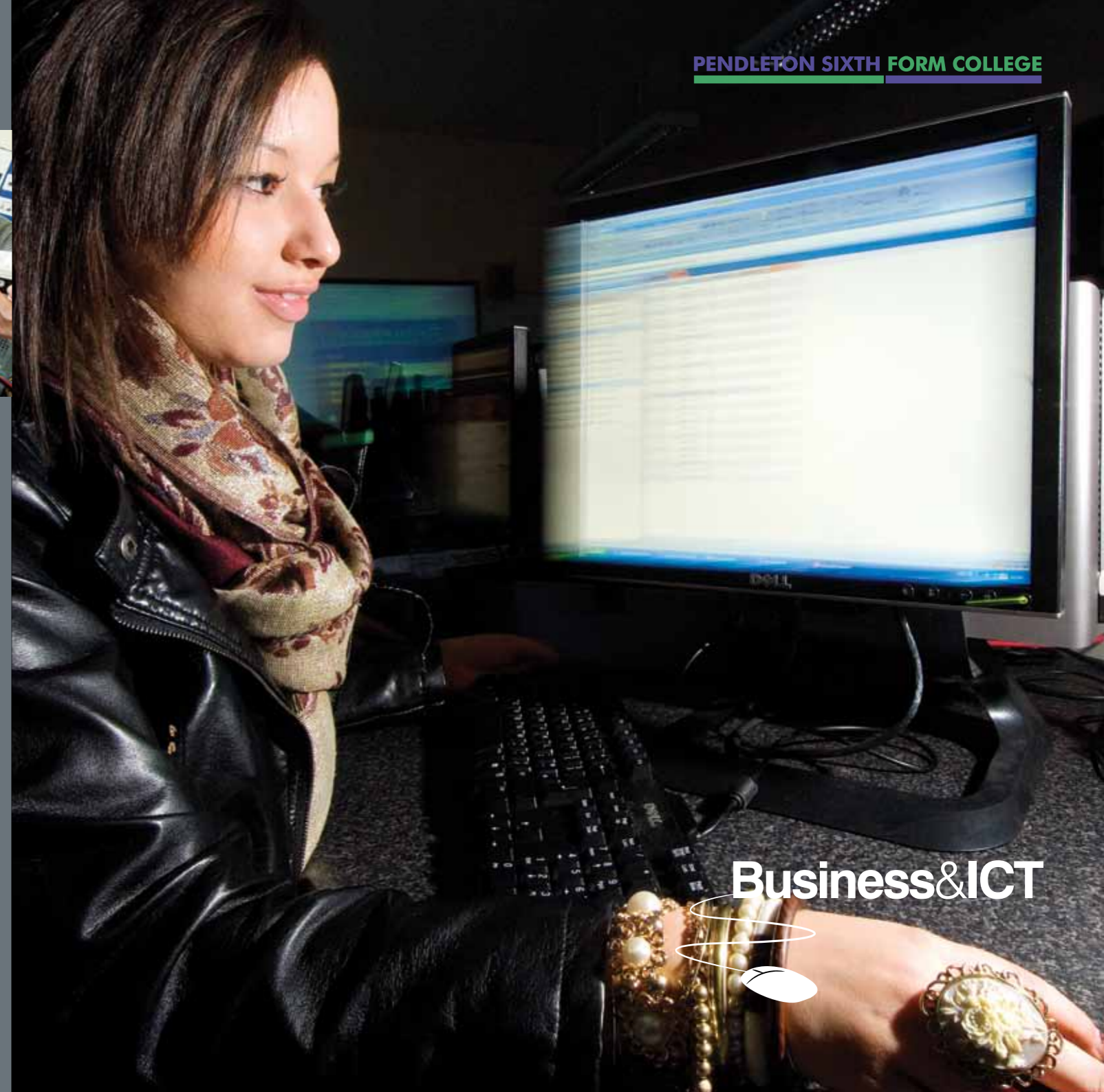
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Welcome to Pendleton College

Welcome to Pendleton College, an award-winning college where you can achieve your full potential. At Pendleton we work to maintain the best of the traditions from which we have grown and we are delighted that this has been recognised with the award of Learning and Skills Beacons Status, the highest accolade a college can receive.

For an application form please visit our website (www.pendcoll.ac.uk), call Admissions on 0161 278 3325 or you will find one at the back of the main course guide.

Join the Business and ICT Team

There are many factors that make studying business and ICT at Pendleton enjoyable and engaging:

- 100% pass rate on all advanced vocational courses
- High rates of advanced vocational students achieve high grades (i.e. merit or distinction)
- 100% pass rate on A-Level Accounting, Economics and ICT (98% for A-Level Business Studies)
- Specialised facilities including dedicated IT labs
- Links with many universities ensuring all interested students have the opportunity to progress to higher education
- A variety of engaging teaching methods to stimulate students including online testing, videocasts and podcasts, virtual learning environments, lab and group work
- Work experience opportunities to give students hands-on experience of working for, and running, a successful business





Enriching your experience

Taking part in enrichment activities will not only help you with your studies but also offers you new experiences and a chance to learn skills and make friends. It is an important part of your time with us and these are just some of the things we offer within the Business and ICT Department.

Trips and Visits

- North East Commercial Talent Awards for Q&A sessions with entrepreneurs
- London to tour the Bank of England
- Subway and Thomas Cook to learn about personal selling
- McDonalds to learn about the management of human and physical resources
- Curry Mile restaurants to learn about customer service
- Visits to other businesses including the Apple Store, Paintball HQ and accounting firms
- Manchester City Council to learn about product design/building
- Euro Disney
- Alton Towers
- Regional universities

Activities

- Share trading games
- Work experience in college shop
- Work experience in college finance department
- Education/business initiatives
- Young Business Writer of the Year competition
- Young Enterprise
- Dragons' Den competition
- Exam masterclasses



Courses

There are many courses within the Business and ICT Department. The right course for you will depend on:

[The career path you want to follow](#) - [What interests you](#) - [What learning style suits you](#) - [Your GCSE grades](#)

We will discuss your options with you at your college interview.

A-Levels

Accounting

Accountants are not just number crunchers. They play a variety of roles within diverse types of businesses across all industries. Accountants are excellent at understanding and measuring how businesses perform.

A-Level Accounting provides an excellent grounding for all further study of accounting, business and finance.

Business

Businesses play a crucial role within modern society. They affect our quality of life and provide us with wealth, both individually and as a nation.

If you want to understand how businesses function then this is the subject for you. You will learn about various aspects of the business world such as marketing, financial management, operations and human resources.

Economics

Economics is the study of how the choices of individuals, businesses and governments affect the economy. You will look at a variety of theories to explain economic behaviour on an individual, national and global level.

Economics is relevant to banking, insurance, business, local government civil service and accountancy.

ICT

If you are able to think creatively, innovatively, analytically, logically and critically then you are the sort of person we are looking for.

The emphasis of this course is on applications and the effects of ICT on society. In particular, you will look at how information can be gathered, stored, controlled, communicated and manipulated by the use of technology.

We also offer an applied ICT A-level which has a more practical focus.

Vocational Courses

Level 1 Introductory Diploma IT @ Work

This is the ideal course for students who want to develop their IT skills for use in the industry. You will gain a good foundation of how IT is used in the workplace. The units include both practical hands-on experience and the use of computer applications.

You can then progress on to the Level 2 course on either the software or hardware path.

ICT (Software Path)

Level 2 First Diploma ICT: Software Development

This course introduces you to the realm of software development. You will cover the fundamentals of spreadsheets and databases as well as programming and web development.

Once you have completed this one year course you can go on to the Level 2 National Certificate in Software Development and Games Design.

Level 3 National Certificate ICT: Software Development/Games Design

Do you want to do design computer games? Or produce state of the art websites? In this course you will learn everything you need to know about databases, graphics, animation, web design and programming.

This two year course will enable you to go on to study an ICT-related course at university or go directly into employment.

ICT (Hardware Path)

Level 2 First Diploma ICT: Computer Repair and Maintenance

Are you good at solving problems? Finding and handling information? Come and learn all about networking, software installation and solving technical faults with this intermediate level course on computer repair and maintenance.

Successful completion of this course allows you to progress on to the National Diploma in Networking.

Level 3 National Diploma ICT: Networking

There is an increasingly high demand for skilled practitioners who can build, upgrade and troubleshoot computer systems of different sizes and complexities. In this course you will learn everything you need to know about servers and routers, computer systems and information systems.

This two year course will enable you to go on to study an ICT-related course at university or go directly into employment.

Business Studies

Level 2 First Diploma Business

If you are fascinated by how businesses work and what influences how businesses and economies function, then this is the course for you. You will learn about customer relations, financial control and business purposes. This one year course leads on to the National Diploma in Business.

Level 3 National Diploma Business

Are you the next Alan Sugar or Anita Roddick? Study our National Diploma in Business and discover all that you need to know to succeed in the business world. You will cover all the important aspects of business functions such as marketing and the management of people, resources and finances.

This is the perfect course for anyone wanting to study business at university or go directly into a business role.

Student Profiles



Nicholas James

School: St Mary's Sixth Form
Studying: A-Level Business, Economics, Sociology
Trips: Salford University
Next Step: Manchester University to study international business
"The teaching staff are knowledgeable and helpful and you can meet new friends."



Rekiel Moss

School: All Hallows
Studying: A-Level Business, ICT, Economics
Enrichment: Football team
Trips: London
Next Step: Manchester University to study business
"You get to meet new people and the facilities and teachers are excellent."



Jie Ru Lu

School: Swinton
Studying: A-Level Accounting, Economics, Maths, Chinese
Enrichment: Sign language, driving theory
Trips: Liverpool University
Next Step: Go to Manchester University
"It's a nice college with good facilities and teachers."



Leah Tulsie

School: Swinton
Studying: A-Level Accounting, Business, Product Design
Next Step: Salford or Manchester University
"You meet lots of new people and there is a wide range of courses and enrichment activities."



Simone Hardman

School: Albion
Studying: BTEC First Diploma ICT (Software Development)
Next Step: Complete National Diploma then university
"Pendleton offers a wide range of facilities and makes you feel more into the college."



Asad Mehmood

School: Abraham Moss
Studying: BTEC Business
Next Step: University to study business and accountancy
"People at college are friendly and nice. The staff are very helpful. There are more opportunities in the college to get ahead in life."



Sam Wilson

School: Wellacre
Studying: BTEC National Diploma ICT (Software Development)
Trips: Bolton University
Next Step: Become an IT teacher after university
"The college is welcoming. There are a variety of courses."



Michael Morris

School: Oasis Academy
Studying: BTEC National Diploma ICT (Networking)
Trips: Alton Towers
Next Step: Get a job
"It's fun and a good place to learn."