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college

CREATIVE

2025/26 THE ENGAGE PROGRAMME

ABOUT PINC COLLEGE

Pinc College is an Independent Specialist College offering inspiring creative study programmes

All our creative campuses are located in galleries, museums and cultural locations across England and Wales.

At Pinc College we have a unique approach to education and pathways into employment for neurodivergent young people, aged 16-24 years.

Our gallery and cultural space campuses give our students opportunities to collaborate with our partners, enjoy workplace experiences and make connections to the local creative and cultural communities.

We are more than a typical college, our support for our students goes way beyond their studies and wellbeing. It helps them to find pathways to Further and Higher Education and careers in the cultural and creative sectors.



OUR VALUES

individual

We celebrate difference

inclusive

We value and support everyone

innovative

We believe in the power to create change

WHAT MAKES US DIFFERENT?

You will find that Pinc College is nothing like the experience you have had of education so far:

- Our primary focus is the wellbeing of our students; we start by getting to know the whole person and their individual needs – there is no typical student at Pinc College.
- **We celebrate individuality and self expression – there is no dress code at Pinc College and we encourage our students to be their complete authentic selves.**
- Every student has an Individual Learning Plan, tailored to their aspirations, interests and desired outcomes.
- **Teaching takes place in small groups, which we know is better for our students.**
- Our programmes are project based, which allows our students to choose the topics they are interested in and develop the practical skills they enjoy.
- **Our team create positive relationships and a supportive environment for all our students.**

A TYPICAL WEEK

Every student has an Individual Learning Programme, but this illustrates what a week might look like at Pinc College

1 or 2 days	Art		UAL Level 2 or 3	Illustration 3D Textiles Mixed Media
1 or 2 days	Digital Art		UAL Level 2 or 3	Graphics Photography Video Animation
1 day	Maths	Functional Skills GCSE	English	Functional Skills GCSE
1 day	Creative Futures, Work Experience and Careers			
	Independent Study			
	Personal and Social Development			

While prioritising wellbeing, the expectation is that students will move through one qualification in each subject per year.



FINAL YEAR OPTIONS

Most of our Pinc College students progress to Final Year Options to continue their journey to Higher Education or careers in the Creative and Cultural Sectors

LEVEL 2 & 3 STUDIO-BASED STUDY

FINAL YEAR OPTIONS

<p>Level 2 Diploma in Art and Design</p> <p>Materials & Processes Technical Skills Problem Solving Personal Projects</p>	<p>Level 3 Diploma in Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication</p> <p>The Creative Process Developing Creative Practice Responding to a Set Brief</p>	<p>Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Practice: Art, Design and Communication</p> <p>Specialist Industry Practice Technical Skills Development Specialist Creative Outcomes</p>	<p>Studio-based Study</p>	
<p>Creative Futures, Work Experience & Careers</p>		<p>Creative Enterprise Programme</p> <p>Access to studio Space Creative business development Support & mentoring</p>		
<p>Independent Study</p>				<p>Studio-based entrepreneurship</p>
<p>Personal & Social Development</p>				
		<p>Workplace & Study experience</p>		



CREATIVE FUTURES

Our Creative Futures modules and preparations for next steps

We know that what our students go on to do after Pinc is as important as the time they spend with us. **We start by supporting students to identify their ambitions and aspirations and our curriculum model and qualifications works to enable them to achieve them.**

Through our Creative Futures Modules we offer a range of Careers and Higher Education exploration opportunities, self employment and Portfolio Careers:

- Our students have individual support to clarify future options.
- Real world learning in real world cultural and heritage settings.
- Work placements, experiences, journey planning and travel confidence.
- Progress onto a Supported Internship, working with local employers in the creative and cultural sectors.
- Support for applications to Higher Education.
- Collaborative projects with our location partners.
- Continuing relationships with our location/cultural/creative partners.
- Engagement with the local creative and cultural community.

COLLEGE LIFE

At Pinc College we tailor our teaching strategies to help you learn



- We are a community
- Our teachers genuinely care and take the time to get to know what you need

- We have shorter days and regular breaks
- Visual planners help you to navigate and understand your project work

- Session Goals provide you with step-by-step breakdowns of each task

WHERE TO FIND US

Our Campuses & Cultural Partners



Cartwright Hall,
Bradford



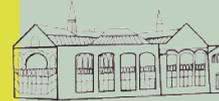
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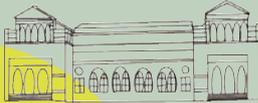
Leeds City Museum



Bolton Museum



Touchstones,
Rochdale



Salford Museum



Lever Street
Manchester



Manchester
Museum



Leeds
Art Gallery



Middleport
Potteries, Stoke



Heritage Centre,
Macclesfield



Birmingham
Museum & Art Gallery



National Museum,
Cardiff



The Potteries, Stoke
(Smithfield Works)



Aston Hall,
Birmingham

OUR CAMPUSES

You will find our campuses in museums, galleries and other cultural spaces across the North West, Midlands, Yorkshire, and Wales.

These inspiring settings are a really important part of what we do, they inspire our students, provide opportunities for collaboration and create connections to the local creative and cultural community.

North:

- Manchester Museum
- Lever Street, Manchester
- Touchstones, Rochdale
- Salford Art Gallery
- Bolton Museum
- Leeds City Museum
- Leeds Art Gallery
- Dean Clough, Halifax
- Cartwright Hall, Bradford

Central:

- Heritage Centre, Macclesfield
- The Potteries/Smithfield Works, Stoke
- Middleport Potteries
- Aston Hall, Birmingham
- Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery
- National Museum, Cardiff



WELLBEING AND SAFETY

Everything we do is driven by the
wellbeing of our students

Our commitment starts with our values and is supported by our culture which is shared by our students, our team and our partners.

We believe that we will all benefit from a journey of personal growth, if we commit to a shared culture which is:

Respectful - We accept and appreciate each other

Responsible - We own our actions and words

Safe - We support each other's emotional and physical safety

Kind - We care, we listen and consider others



Practical support for our students' wellbeing:

- Our team are dedicated experienced SEND professionals
- **Our Teachers work alongside qualified SEND and communication specialists**
- Every campus has a mental health first aid trained team member
- **We offer a non-judgemental environment which allows our students to be their authentic selves**
- We support our students to make social connections and build communication skills
- **We seek to resolve issues and take a blame-free restorative approach**
- We fulfil and aim to exceed all industry safety standards
- **We are proactive in supporting online and e-safety**

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

“

It's given me a light at the end of a hard tunnel and for that I am grateful.

“

I feel like I can be myself here.

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It feels like everything is clicking in a good way.

“

I am now capable of taking my ideas further than I thought possible.

“

I've learnt lots of skills which wouldn't be available in mainstream education.

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I feel relaxed and happy, like I belong :).

... AND OUR PARENTS AND CARERS

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Knowing your child is happy where he is going and being 100% confident his needs are being sensitively met makes an enormous difference to a parent's mental well-being. The impact is huge and affects the whole family in a positive way.

“

Of the educational establishments my daughter has attended from nursery to now – age 19 – Pinc is the Gold Standard in every aspect.

“

I wish all education establishments could follow Pinc's model. I feel confident in knowing that my daughter will be well looked after in every way by people who 'get it' – it's the closest thing to me being there for her.



CONNECT WITH US

If you are interested in finding out more about
Pinc College Creative, please contact us:



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of the young people we serve,
inclusively and with social purpose.

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