

# Elvebakken in Durham 2024/2025

# 1. Beautiful place to live and study





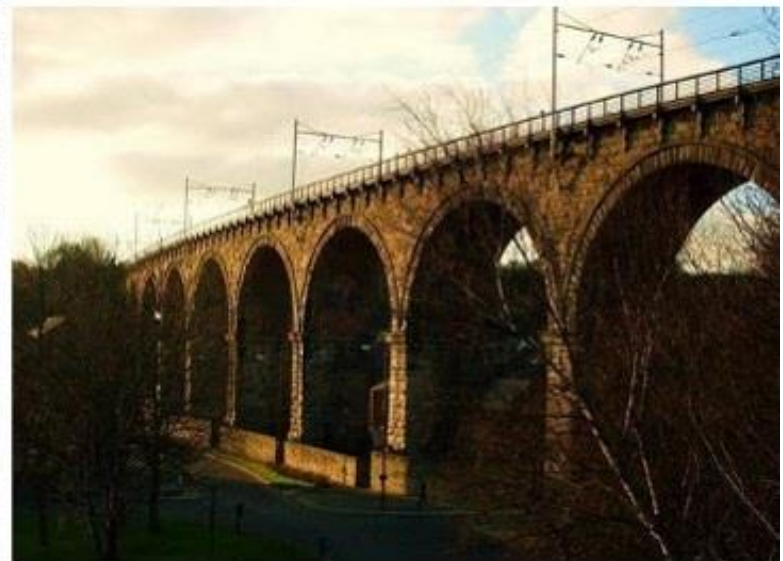
# Where is Durham?

- Durham is located in the North East of England
- 15 minutes by train to Newcastle upon Tyne
- Less than 3 hours by train to London and less than two hours to Edinburgh



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# 2. Excellent Academic Reputation

**Sixth  
Form  
Centre**



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# A-LEVELS

**JOIN OUR SIXTH FORM CENTRE TO  
GET READY FOR UNIVERSITY**

» Art & Design

» Business\*

» Chemistry

» Classical Civilisation\*

» English Language

» English Literature

» Film Studies

» Further Mathematics

» Geography

» History

» Law

» Mathematics

» PE\*

» Physics

» Politics

» Psychology

» Religious Studies

» Sociology



## ADDITIONAL SIXTH FORM CENTRE COURSES

Level 3 Diploma Applied Science // Level 3 Diploma Criminology // Level 3 Extended Project Qualification



# What qualifications will I achieve?

	Age	Qualification	Structure
20 subjects to choose from	16-17	AS levels – <i>this is the year group you will be in</i>	Final assessment is by exams after one year. Graded A-E (A is the highest)
	17-18	A levels	More substantial exams after 2 years. Graded A*-E. This is what you need to go to university



# What does a week look like?

The college day is 9am-4pm Monday-Friday

Subject	Hours per subject per week	Total hours in the week	Exams
AS levels	5	15	May/June 2025
Languages	2	2	None
Personal Development	1.5	1.5	None
Additional Maths	1.5	1.5	Arranged with the students
	Total:	<b>19.5</b> if choosing AS Maths. There will be extra hours if you are doing Additional Maths.	

In addition to lessons, students are recommended to spend **4 additional hours per subject per week (i.e. 12 hours)** on independent study.

# AS subjects – choose 3 (or 4) of the following:

Science and Maths	Humanities	English, Arts & Languages
Maths (similar to R1 maths)	Geography	English Language
Further Maths (must be taken <b>with</b> Maths)	History	English Literature
Physics	Law	Art and Design
Chemistry	Politics	Classical Civilisations
Biology	Sociology	Film Studies
Psychology	Religious Studies	French
	Criminology	Graphics
	PE	Business



# 3. Impressive college facilities





## 3.5 T.H.E Hub

- The £8.9 million state-of-the-art education facility was designed by Ryder Architecture and delivered by County Durham-headquartered contractor, Esh Construction.





# Main Building







Campus Gym



# Campus Gym



# Fantastic facilities

You will find everything you need in our spacious, **state-of-the-art** college buildings!



- ⇒ Free Wi-Fi
- ⇒ Catch up with friends in Starbucks or Costa
- ⇒ Our Library has over 60,000 books and 200 journals
- ⇒ Fully equipped gym

We also have

- ⇒ Hair and beauty salon, dance studio, shops and a restaurant.

**We've just made things even better! A new £5 million redevelopment opened this year**



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## 4. Friendly and welcoming community



# Where can students access support?

- **Academic tutor:**
- **Personal Learning Coach:** to help with planning their time, organising their work, or any other issues that are preventing them from achieving their potential
- **Homestay & Accommodation Officer:** for any homestay family questions or issues.
- **International Office:** advice about bus passes, cultural visits and transition support.
- **Counsellor:** there is a free College counselling service.





## **Host family accommodation**

- **Government approved**
- **Host Family matching process**
- **Location – 1 hour maximum commute from college**

# Host Family Package

## Included:

- **Your own room and space to study**
- **Breakfast each day**
- **Home cooked evening meal**
- **Laundry facilities**
- **Wi-Fi Internet–this is provided for the use of study and making contact with family, for example Skype.**
- **Moral support, local knowledge and the chance to experience life with a family from another culture.**

## What is NOT provided in a Host Family Package:

- **Lunches**
- **Personal items such as toiletries and clothes**
- **Travel expenses – college will organise a bus pass for every student at an additional cost**





## York & Whitby



## Beamish Museum



## Edinburgh



## Manchester



# Always Top Performing

## Thank you for your attention



# New Visa Requirements





## ***New VISA Requirements***

- Students travelling to study in the UK for 6 months or more will require a 'Student VISA'. This is applied for online via the Home Office website.
- The cost for the VISA is £348 - this is paid online at the time of the application.
- You can apply for the VISA up to six months before the course start date.
- Usually, you will receive a decision within 6 weeks.





## ***New VISA Requirements***

- You can arrive in the UK up to 1 month before your course starts.
- You must pay a Health Surcharge of £470 to gain access to all NHS healthcare whilst in the UK.

**Before the VISA process begins, the International Office team and the Sixth Form team will interview the student**



# Documents required



The Home Office will need to see the following documents however, the International Office will review these first to make sure everything is correct in time for the VISA application:

- **Copy of passport**
- **English Language Test Certificate**
- **Copy of Previous Qualifications**
- **A Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) from your course provider (New College Durham).**



**You will also need  
to provide...**

- **Proof of parental or other legal guardian consent if you are under 18.**
- **Proof of your relationship to your parent or guardian if you are under 18 – for example birth certificate**



# ***THANK YOU***

***For further information***

[www.gov.uk/student-visa](http://www.gov.uk/student-visa)