



Your training academy

The Ford Engineering Academy is based at Gateshead College's Skills Academy for Automotive, Engineering, Manufacturing and Logistics at Team Valley, Gateshead which is equipped with industry standard workshops that have seen more than £300,000 investment in the latest milling machinery and lathes.

Engineer your career.



How to apply

- Come along to an Open Event at Gateshead College. See our website for dates and details
www.gateshead.ac.uk/events
- Complete an application form online. Fill in your details and we'll be in touch
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Get the skills, knowledge and experience you need to secure an apprenticeship.

Ford Engineering, one of the most successful engineering businesses in our region, has teamed up with Gateshead College to set up the Ford Engineering Academy.

Designed to help you to build the skills, knowledge and confidence employers are looking for, the academy will put you in the best possible position to go onto successfully secure an engineering or manufacturing apprenticeship or your first job in the industry.

Key benefits

- Training programme designed by one of the most successful engineering companies in our region
- Practical skills training based on what employers want
- High quality work experience placement
- Embedded English and maths skills
- Guaranteed employer interview
- CV support to help you secure an apprenticeship

About the academy

Pioneered by Geoff Ford MBE, the academy was set up to give young people the skills, knowledge and experience they need to start a successful engineering career or find an apprenticeship.

As Chairman of Ford Engineering, an £11m turnover business that supplies precision-machined components to the global aerospace market, Geoff recognised a need to provide good quality, foundation training that focused on developing both the skills and attitudes that employers are looking for.

Teaming up with Gateshead College, ranked outstanding by Ofsted and with the best achievement rates in the region, two unique training programmes have been designed.

Ford Engineering Traineeship Level 1

Duration: 6 months
Entry requirements: No formal qualifications are needed but you will need to pass a skills assessment and an interview.

- Engineering activities
- Health & safety
- Using and communicating technical information
- Work preparation skills
- English & maths
- Work experience placement

Ford Engineering Academy Level 2

Duration: 6 month
Entry requirements: Three GCSEs Grade 4 (C) or above in maths, English and a science subject. You will also need to pass a skills assessment and an interview.

- Preparing and using lathes for turning operations
- Preparing and using milling machines
- Producing mechanical engineering drawings using a CAD system
- Engineering activities
- Using and communication technical information
- Work preparation skills
- Work experience placement

