

**ENGINEERING, AEROSPACE AND AUTOMOTIVE**



exeter college  
technology centre

# ABOUT EXETER COLLEGE

Exeter College is a thriving and growing tertiary College which places teaching, learning and student success as our top priority. We enjoy an excellent regional reputation. Our ambition is to be exceptional.

An Ofsted Inspection in 2022 has resulted in the College retaining the impressive accolade of Outstanding. Eight years since the last inspection, Ofsted again confirmed that Exeter College is an Outstanding College. The College also scored the top assessment of 'strong' for its approach to meeting the skills needs of the area. This makes Exeter College the first college in the country to achieve the highest judgement in both elements of Ofsted's new enhanced inspections.

We have high expectations of our students and staff and each year their combined efforts result in excellent exam grades, outstanding training successes and brilliant music, art, sports and community achievements. We welcome students of all ages and abilities and our tutorial and learner support programmes are designed to meet their needs; challenging them to reach their full potential.



# ABOUT THE FACULTY OF ENGINEERING, AUTOMOTIVE AND AEROSPACE

Our state-of-the art Technology Centre, a UK leading centre of excellence for robotics and virtual welding, is inspiring the next generation of leaders in engineering, automotive and aerospace.

The centre is meeting the growing demand locally, regionally and nationally for teaching in engineering, robotics, automated manufacturing and rapid prototyping.

The facility features the largest virtual welding training facility in Europe, with virtual and conventional welding equipment. Exeter College has worked very closely with industry partners Kuka, Axminster Tools and Arconic to equip the centre with the very latest technology – demonstrating the college's strong links and collaboration with industrial partners.

Our engineering students benefit from all the latest industry-standard equipment in workshops, developing all the skills they need to work in an exciting and dynamic industry. The realistic aerospace workshop environment holds one aircraft plus maintenance units including a Nimrod landing gear and Rolls-Royce jet engines.

## Staff Stories

Our staff work together to shape the future of the next generation of engineering, Automotive and aerospace professionals. See what some of our fantastic team had to say about working at Exeter College:

- “Moving away from industry and stepping into education was a big decision, but the support I received was second to none. With a culture of collaboration and a focus on providing an exceptional learning environment, I am proud to be part of a team that is developing the next generation of professional technicians.”*

**Dave Ebdon, Lecturer/Assessor, Automotive**
- “Working at EAA has been a huge eye opener, understanding the hard work that goes into helping every learner and the support and guidance that is required. The team here are family and will always support anyone who needs help. Seeing the learners work hard and over come every hurdle has been the best part of this job.”*

**Kim Tapp, Work Based Tutor, Automotive**
- “Working within the Engineering Aerospace and Automotive Faculty at Exeter College has been an incredibly rewarding experience. The supportive environment and commitment to excellence have allowed me to grow both professionally and personally. I truly enjoy being part of a team that is dedicated to making a positive impact on students' lives.”*

**Darren Smyth, Commercial Manager / MOT Trainer and Assessor**

- *“EAA have remarkable resources that create a dynamic learning experience for my learners to engage and excel. Support from the team is amazing and the teamwork within the faculty is remarkable. My apprentices have the best possible journey to start their careers in their chosen engineering field.”*

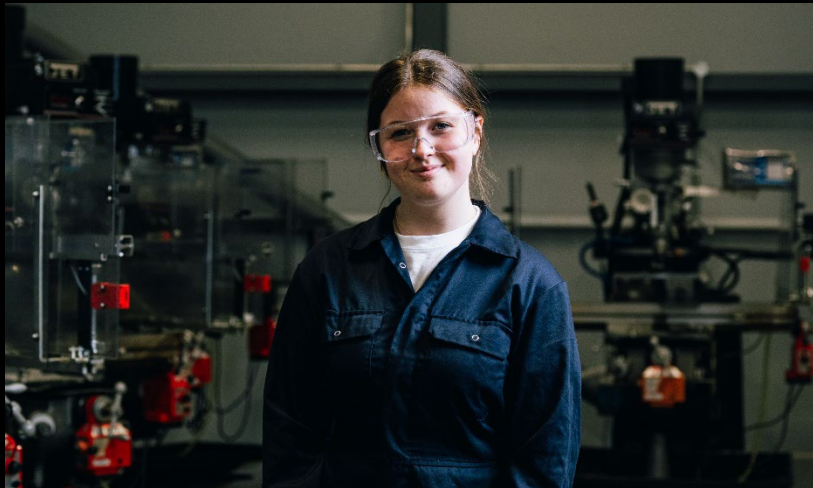
**David Frear, IQA Assessor / Skills Officer**

## Student Experience

Our students are at the heart of what we do. See what some of our Health and Social Care students have to say about studying at Exeter College:

- *“I really enjoy the practical side of my course, being in the workshop has given me valuable skills for the future. There is a lovely community at College, I have made some great friends and get very good support from the tutors too.”*

**Holly, studying Aeronautical Engineering Level 3 Foundation Diploma.**



- *“I have met great people and made new friends. The tutors are amazing - really friendly, helpful and understanding. It’s a calm and supportive environment at the Technology Centre.”*

**Katie, studying Vehicle Maintenance and Repair (Light Vehicle) Level 1 Diploma.**





# WHY WORK FOR EXETER COLLEGE?

Exeter College is an Ofsted Outstanding, multi award-winning education provider in Devon, but our vision to be an exceptional college is only made possible with the determination and enthusiasm of our staff. We offer a wide range of fulfilling roles across multiple sites, all with the opportunity for further training and development. We acknowledge our employees' involvement in shaping futures and making a difference by offering amazing benefits and the opportunity to progress and grow in one of the most successful colleges in the South West.

Exeter College ranked 65th in the 2022 Best Companies League Tables as one of the UK's Best Large Companies to work for, the third year in a row we have featured in the top 100. A Disability Confident employer, we aim to provide an environment where all staff can thrive because they feel valued, engaged and challenged.

When you work for Exeter College, you can **Shape The Future**. Click [here](#) or scan the QR code below to watch our Careers video.



# OUR BENEFITS

We depend on exceptional people to sustain our outstanding performance and reward staff for their hard work. We provide an array of progressive benefits to encourage a healthy work-life balance, including:

## PENSION



We offer two defined benefits pension schemes, one for teachers and one for support staff

## GENEROUS ANNUAL LEAVE



Generous Annual Leave entitlement as well as a two-week Christmas shutdown

## ONSITE GYM



We have an onsite gym, Central Fitness, and a variety of classes including spinning, yoga and Pilates, which is affordable and discounted for staff

## STAFF DEVELOPMENT



Staff Development including away days for employees – more info below

## CYCLE TO WORK SCHEME



We offer a cycle scheme that saves you 26-40% on a bike and accessories. You pay nothing upfront and can spread the cost of new equipment over a year

## ONSITE RESTAURANT



Our @34 restaurant offers a range of eat-in and takeaway options at very reasonable prices with staff discount

## NURSERY



Owlets Nursery is part of the Exeter College Group, providing high quality childcare at a short walk from the College

## DISCOUNTS



Get discounts on over 1200 retailers with our Sodexo platform, plus the ability to get an NUS Card

## FREE EYE TESTS



Staff can receive a voucher every 2 years which will pay for the basic eye test

## ONSITE SPA



Our H2B spa and salon offers a wonderful pampering experience at discounted rates



# OUR VALUES

Our College Values are embedded in everything we do, from the way we plan our lessons to the way we behave.

## **AMBITION**

- We are challenged and encouraged to push boundaries to enable us to realise our ambitions
- We are brave and take decisions that transform lives and foster achievement for all
- We are agile, future-focused and embrace digital technology and learning
- We believe in impact; we are passionate about our community and environment and continue to make big changes to play our part in creating a sustainable city and college

## **COLLABORATION**

- We collaborate with others to ensure we grow, thrive and initiate brilliance
- We are bold and innovative; we listen to and learn from others in pursuit of the exceptional
- We care about place; we collaborate with others to ensure success for our community that has national impact
- We believe that we are stronger together and actively seek out partnerships that make a difference and help us enrich our college

## **ENERGY**

- Our expertise, passion and actions energise and enthuse those around us
- We care and support our people and our community. We believe that we excel when we are empowered, engaged and enjoy our time at college
- We are curious; we focus on solutions, not problems
- We are proud of our achievements and actively seek out opportunities to celebrate these and set ourselves our next challenge

Discover more about our values in this video [here](#),  
or by scanning the QR code.



# OFSTED OUTSTANDING

Exeter College is a proud Ofsted Outstanding education provider. In 2022, we had a full inspection and retained our impressive Outstanding rating.

The College also scored the top assessment of 'strong' for its approach to meeting the skills needs of the area. This makes Exeter College the first college in the country to achieve the highest judgement in both elements of Ofsted's new enhanced inspections.

The 21-strong Ofsted inspection team visited every College site and reviewed every facet of the College offer from 29 November to 2 December 2022.

When you join Exeter College, you'll be part of an Outstanding college, from top to bottom.





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