



FOUNDATION DEGREE

Sports Coaching & Development

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Your pathway to a career

Are you passionate about a career in the sports industry? Our foundation degree in Sports Coaching & Development provides the perfect opportunity to combine your passion with a higher education qualification.

Based at the Foundation's new hub, The Nest, the award-winning course, designed in conjunction with the English Football League Trust, develops the skills and qualities that are required to work within professional football clubs' community departments or national governing bodies in areas of growth such as social inclusion, community coaching and football development.

At the end of the two years, students will have the opportunity to complete a "top up" year with the Foundation, allowing you to leave with a full BSc (Hons) degree in one of two pathways, Football Coaching, Development and Administration or Sports Coaching and Development.



The Foundation's degree offer is an exciting step forward for our education provision. The opportunity to gain a degree with Norwich City FC will open up a series of exciting exit routes for our new students.

Stevie Bramble,
Norwich City Community Sports Foundation,
Director of Education & Programmes



Overview

FOUNDATION DEGREE IN SPORTS COACHING AND DEVELOPMENT

Year One

- Academic Research and Study Skills
- Introduction to Sports Coaching
- Introduction to Sports Development
- Introduction to Sports Science for Coaching
- Managing Sport
- Reflection and Learning in the Workplace

Year Two

- Project Management
- Sport Placement (Double Module)
- Community Sports Development
- Physical Education and School Sport
- Sports Coaching and Leadership

DEGREE PATHWAY - TOP UP OPTIONS

BSc in Sports Coaching and Development

Year Three

- Creatively Teaching Physical Education, Health and Wellbeing
- Critical Issues in Sports Coaching and Leadership
- Strategic Sports Development
- Leadership in Sport
- Applied Professional Project

BSc in Football Coaching, Development and Administration

Year Three

- Community Football Coaching: Theory to Practice
- Critical Issues in Sports Coaching
- Strategic Sports Development
- Business of Football
- Applied Professional Project



TEACHING AND LEARNING

Learning and teaching methods include lectures, interactive workshops, practical sessions, work-based learning, tutorials and online delivery methods. This range of teaching and learning approaches means that you gain a wide variety of skills.

Students will be under the guidance of the Community Sports Foundation's degree lead, ensuring that attendance and attainment are to the high standards expected by the Foundation. The degree lead enables a constant point of support which, alongside the digital learning platform, provides a full wrap around academic experience.

COACHING PLACEMENTS

Throughout the course students will complete "work-based learning" placements as part of their ongoing learning and development.

The work-based learning programme will be completed within our work-based learning programme will provide opportunities to gain experience in areas such as social inclusion, schools, and football development. In year one, students will complete a minimum of four hours per week, increasing to seven hours in the second year. As students progress there are opportunities for elements of these delivery hours to be on a paid basis on behalf of the Foundation.

In addition, students will have the opportunity to study towards a study towards the UEFA C Diploma, and will have numerous opportunities to undertake additional vocational awards.



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH WALES

All students on the degree are enrolled through the University of South Wales, and as a result have the opportunity to spend a minimum of five days per year at the High Performance Centre at the USW Sport Park. Students will receive funded accommodation during these teaching blocks.

EXIT PATHWAYS

Both degree pathways are designed in consultation with Professional Clubs and National Governing Bodies to ensure it meets industry needs. It offers the opportunity for students to complete an Applied Professional Project, which will lead to excellent employment prospects in a range of professions.

Recent graduates have found employment working as coaches within community foundations within the UK. Others have progressed to completing teaching qualifications. In addition to those who are currently working within the UK, a number of graduates are also working overseas.

STUDENT FINANCE

Most students won't have to pay for tuition fees up front as the course is eligible to access Tuition Fee Loans (student finance).

See www.gov.uk/student-finance for more details.



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