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Any person aged 16 to 18 interested in applying for the Football Development Programme should send an email of interest to l.forgione@barnsley.ac.uk before attending an interview and trial.



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Introduction to the Football Development Programme

We offer an exciting elite football and education programme in partnership with Stocksbridge Park Steels FC and Worsbrough Bridge FC. The programme offers talented male and female students aged 16 to 18 the chance to access outstanding academic and football education in one unique package.

The programme is open to students who are able to prove that they have the potential to play at an elite or high level and have the desire to develop a career

within the football industry, either as a player, a coach or in one of the many associated fields within sport. This programme is also suitable for those wanting to pursue a scholarship in the USA as well as links in Australia.

Aim

The Football Development Programme will combine education, coaching and life skills, giving student athletes the best opportunity to succeed. Coaching and education will be delivered by Performance and Athlete Development Co-Ordinator Luke Forgione, UEFA B licensed coaches, a specialised sports science support team and an outstanding teaching team.



OUR FACILITIES

Our Academy players have access to top-class facilities in the Barnsley Sports Academy, supporting players to perform at elite level.

State-of-the-art facilities include:

- 4G full size pitch
- Fitness studio
- Two gyms
- Video analysis
- Structured training schedule
- Match analysis
- Sports therapy
- Strength and conditioning facilities
- Two grass pitches and sports massage suite



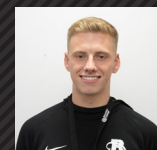
COACHING TEAM



Luke Forgione
MSc Advanced
Performance and
Football Coaching
UEFA B License Coach



Sophie Ibberson
UEFA B License Coach



Calan Rollinson
UEFA B License Coach



James Ritchie
Level 2 Coach

SUCCESS STORIES

Barnsley College's Sports Academy male footballers won the South Yorkshire Schools and Colleges FA Cup after beating Maltby College 5-3.



The final was held at Houghton Main FC ground and a goal each

from Harley Holt, Charlie Gill, Carter Fairclough, Joe Mercer and Calum Smith put the game to bed. An impressive individual performance from Charlie Gill also played a vital part in the team's success, winning him the Player of the Match Award.

Luke Forgione, Performance and Athlete Development Coach at the College, said: "It is always nice to win in a final and this is the first final for the majority of the group. The trophy is a reward for all the hard work on the training field, in the classroom and in the gym."

Tom nets American scholarship

Barnsley College Sport student Tom Toulson scored a scholarship with William Carey Crusaders Men's Soccer in Mississippi, USA.

The midfielder secured the scholarship after impressing coaches at a PASS4Soccer showcase, which arranges soccer scholarships in USA universities for players from the UK, Europe and around the world. Tom was picked after becoming a regular starter for Barnsley Sports Academy's male football team and captained the team to silverware.

Tom said: "The support I have received from the College has really helped me to pursue my goals in football and education. College arranged a talk from PASS4Soccer who provided advice and guidance on soccer scholarships and universities in America. I'm getting the opportunity to play professional football whilst studying a degree and that's all thanks to the College."

Lucy signs for Chelsea FC

Former Barnsley College student Lucy Watson signed a two-year contract at Chelsea FC.

The young forward secured the contract after impressing coaches in the capital. Lucy was picked up by Chelsea scouts after becoming a regular starter for Barnsley Sports Academy, Doncaster Belles and Sheffield United.



ALUMNI



Marc Roberts

Birmingham City FC defender and former Football Academy student. Marc said:

"I enjoyed the interaction with coaching staff. They were a big part of my decision to study at Barnsley College as they sold it to me at an open day. My time at College was important and I developed most as a footballer during those years. I went to university after College so I emphasise the importance of education to students, even for those who want to pursue a sporting career."

"I am really impressed by the world class sports facilities and I would fully recommend the College to anyone."



Beth England

Chelsea FC and England midfielder and former Football Academy student. Beth said:

"I loved my time at Barnsley Sixth Form and playing on the College's football team gave me some of the best experiences of my life. My tutors were great and would allow me the flexibility to study around my commitments as a footballer. It's a really great place to learn and the staff are really supportive."

"I feel it's really important to share the importance of education to the next cohort of players. It's vital to get the qualifications and to take the amazing opportunities that the College offers."

Coaching Alumni

Paul Heckingbottom – Sheffield United First Team Manager

Dave Penney – Former Doncaster Rovers FC Manager

Amy Turner – Tottenham Hotspur FC First Team Player

Nathan Winder – Former Barnsley FC First Team Sport Scientist

Tom Harban – Barnsley FC Head of Academy Coaching

Andrew Langford – Strength and Conditioning British Basketball Coach

THE PROGRAMME

Students will undertake a nationally recognised qualification in the Sport, Public Services and Travel and Tourism department at Barnsley College, rated Outstanding by Ofsted.

Students will study a Level 2 Diploma in Sport or Level 3 Diploma in Sport (dependent on GCSE profile), with potential Functional Skills or GCSE resit in English and/or Maths if necessary plus additional coaching awards.

Students will also undertake 10-12 hours of football training per week with emphasis on:

- Technical and Tactical Practice
- Strength and Conditioning

- Sports Science Support – Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation, Psychological and Nutritional guidance
- Performance Analysis

Fixtures will take place in the English Colleges FA (ECFA) Premier League, English Schools FA Cup and international competitions. In addition, regular fixtures against other professional academies to showcase student athlete progress will take place.

OPPORTUNITIES

As part of the Football Development Programme, student athletes will have the fantastic opportunity to train and play at semi-professional level, and to trial to represent FA England Colleges. You may also be invited to trial at other professional clubs.

Partner statement

Mark Booth, Worsbrough Bridge Football Club Chairman, said: "We are delighted to have partnered with Barnsley College. The College is well known for its education and football pedigree. We look forward to working in partnership."



PROGRESSION

- Career
- Higher Education
- USA Scholarships

- Professional Football
- Semi-Professional Football

- Additional Qualifications
- Work Experience
- Pastoral Support
- Academic Studies

- Professional Technical and Tactical Coaching
- Strength and Conditioning
- Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation
- Performance Analysis
- Excellent Competition Structure

- Combined Education and Football Performance Programme

