

FAQs – Current students

On 31 March 2017, Northbrook College and City College are merging to become the Greater Brighton Metropolitan College, which will be the second largest college in Sussex.

Students will benefit from the combined expertise and existing strengths of the two strong Colleges and local communities will benefit from a greater variety of high-quality learning opportunities and more support for adults seeking to return to education and employment.

Here are some questions you might have about the merger:

Q. How many students and staff will the new College have?

A. **Students:** 3,500 16-18 year olds, 7,500 adults, 1,000 undergraduates and 800 apprentices.

Staff: 1,200.

Q. Will any of the five campuses close?

A. **No.** The College will continue to operate from its five primary campuses across Brighton, Shoreham and Worthing.

Q. Will I be expected to travel to the other campuses?

A. **No.** Courses will continue to run at the same campus. Everyone involved recognises the importance of running courses that are accessible to the local community.

Q. Will I have the same teachers?

A. **Yes.** There will be no change to course delivery below Higher Education (degree-level) in the short and medium term.

Q. Will any courses change?

A. There are no plans to make radical changes to the curriculum offer below Higher Education level in the short and medium term.

Q. So, the degree-level course on offer will change?

A. **Yes, but not immediately.** HE is going to be reviewed early on in the merger process, but students will be kept fully informed along the way. No changes are anticipated this academic year.

Q. Would someone who lives in Brighton be able to attend the college in Worthing and vice versa?

A. **Yes,** this is an option providing the course is available at both colleges.

Q. What do I do if I have concerns?

A. Email merger@ccb.ac.uk or merger@nbccl.ac.uk. Your concerns will be passed on to the right person who will then respond to you directly.