

MINI GUIDE

Motor Vehicle

Take your first step.





Start your journey and keep the region moving with a trade that everyone needs.

Get one step ahead and pursue your passion with our motor vehicle courses. With state-of-the-art equipment and the latest technology, our workshops will allow you to immerse yourself in the automotive environment. You can work on a wide range of vehicles and engines with specialist courses including in electrical vehicles, light vehicle maintenance and our motor vehicle apprenticeships.

Start your journey today.

Our MISSION is to support the individual, social and economic development of the people, communities and businesses of Dumfries and Galloway by providing inclusive, accessible and relevant vocational and other learning opportunities in a positive and supportive environment.

Joanna Campbell - Principal & CEO



Gain the skills you need to take you where you want to go.

Whether you want to:

build your future

change your career

learn something new



We will provide you with the **tools to excel** with a **real skill-based route** into the **workplace** or a **positive destination** onto **further education**.



Ways you can study with DGC ↓



College Academy

Start your journey from school and you can shorten your education journey and potentially start full-time employment sooner in your chosen career pathway.



Study options to suit everyone

From full-time, part-time or over just a few days, choose your course and way to study.



Study locally

helping you save on associated study costs such as travel, accomodation and more.



Earn qualifications

at every stage of study, building your path to success.











Access routes

to university and further your options with support at every step.



College services and support ↓

As a student you have a number of services and facilities available to support and help you throughout your course at our campuses*

-  **Library resources**
-  **Student support**
-  **Learning zones**
-  **Coffee and snack areas**
-  **Shop and canteen**
-  **Gym**
-  **Training workshops**
-  **Training Restaurant**
-  **Green Energy Centre & STEM Hub**
-  **Digital Care Hub**

* Please note: gym, canteen, shop, green energy centre and digital care hub are exclusive to Dumfries campus.



From **student advisors** to **funding teams**, our aim is to provide you with a quality service so that you will have a **range of skills, support and the knowledge** required to successfully complete your course.

 **For further info on all our student services, check out our portal**

If you are looking to start fixing your own vehicle or working for a local mechanic, joining the army or have dreams in joining an F1 team, motor vehicle could be the career for you.

The motor vehicle industry is a vibrant and exciting trade which keeps the world running. With the possibilities of gaining employment in all parts of the country and even abroad, studying motor vehicle gives you the freedom to choose your own path.

Paving the way to gain a wide range of skills and knowledge, studying motor vehicle can help you understand the installation, diagnostics, construction and maintenance of any vehicle. This includes learning the principles of engines, tyres, breaks, steering and suspension, transmissions, electrical systems and many more.



Did you know ↓

A wealth of opportunity can be gained from studying motor vehicle which will help you get in the fast lane to succeed in the industry. As technology is changing in the industry it is suffering from a skills shortage with IMI (Institute of the Motor Industry) reporting that vacancies are now at their highest level in the past 20 years.

Study with us to enjoy:

Access to world class learning facilities



Our motor vehicle workshops give you the opportunity to get hands-on experience in a car garage helping you get your foot on the career ladder.

Real-world skills



Our courses are designed to provide you with the skills to be able to put them into practice, gaining real-world practical experience.

Support from highly-trained staff



Our lecturing and professional engineering staff will help you learn the academic theory and pick up the practical skills you need to get ahead and succeed.

Have job security



We will always need vehicles to help us transport goods and ourselves around the world. With a qualification in the motor vehicle industry, you will have the skills required for a sustainable job role, no matter where you are.

A route to a viable career



With a qualification in motor vehicle, you could service your own car, work for a car racing team, work for a local mechanic, run your own garage and beyond.

Where motor vehicle could take you ↓

Career Options

As 95% of our students go onto positive destinations*, a qualification could lead to the following careers:

Motor Mechanics

Work on different vehicles servicing, maintaining and testing vehicles to make sure they are in working order. They have in-depth knowledge of vehicles with the confidence to explain the issues to customers and how they will fix them. Mechanics work in a car garage which they can be self-employed, employed by a company or even work for the Army.



Motorsport Engineers

Are specialised individuals who work within the motorsports industry. They use their skills and knowledge to evaluate vehicles to improve their speed, safety and strength. Motorsports Engineers will set up the vehicles according to the weather or racetrack conditions. They can work in a garage or test site with the ability to travel if they work for a race team.



Garage Manager

have the knowledge to manage and run a garage workshop. They have excellent business management skills to manage and motivate their staff. Garage Managers supervise their team in mechanical tasks on vehicles and pay attention to detail making sure everything has been done correctly. They have the skills to help customers with their vehicle problems and advise them on fixing the mechanical problems.



*Information taken from our Student Satisfaction and Leavers Destinations Survey 2022-23



The above is just a small section of the many careers available in the industry. Salaries can vary greatly, ranging from £17,000 to £30,000 + depending on what's required in the role.

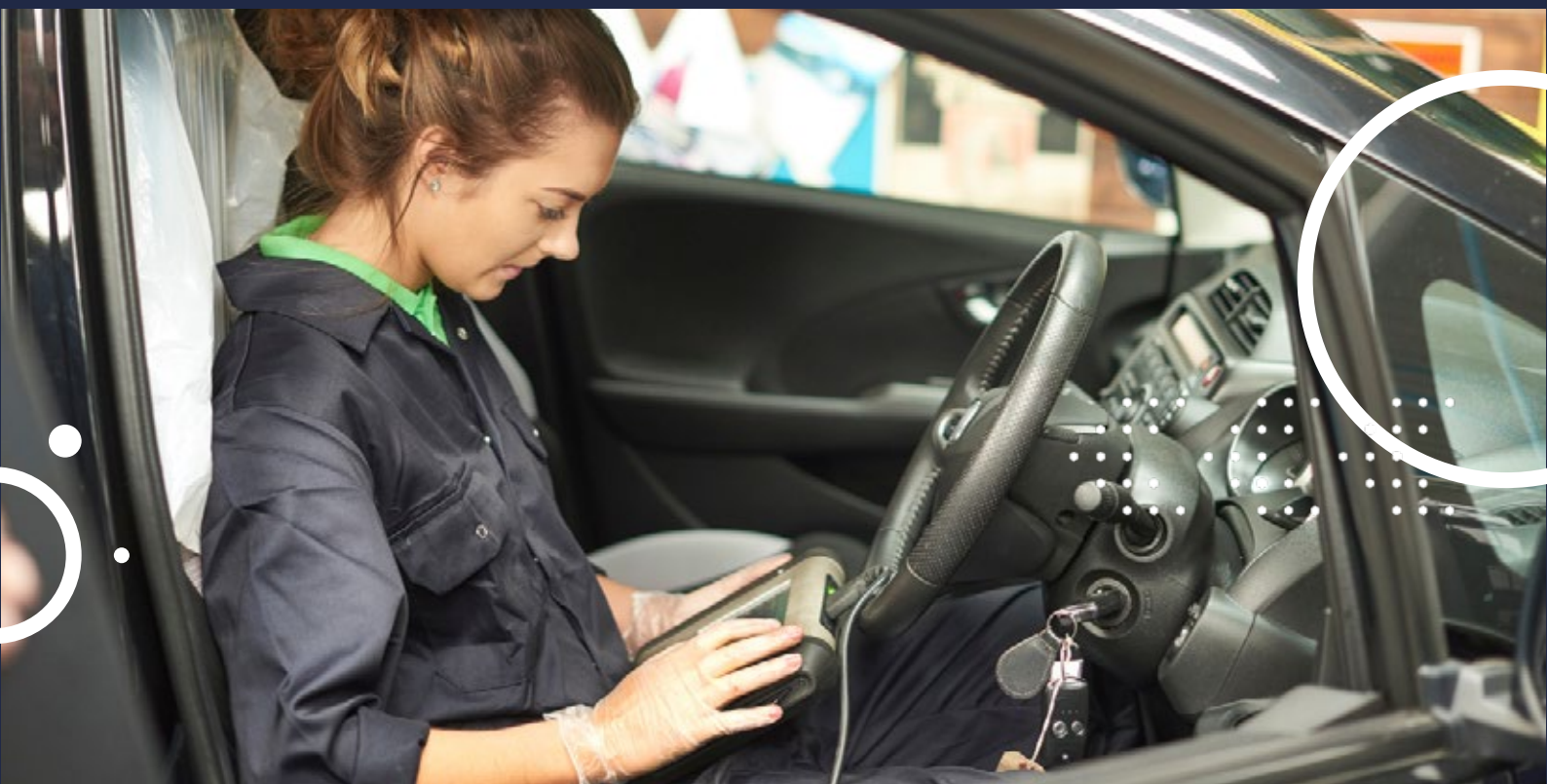
Onward Study

A qualification could lead you to some of the following possible degree options:

- Degree in Mechanical with Automotive Engineering
- Degree in Sustainable Automotive Engineering
- Degree in Motorsports Engineering

If you are thinking about progressing to onward study, check with your chosen university for requirements before applying with UCAS.

Each place will have specific entry criteria and availability.



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// It was really interesting setting headlight aim as this will prepare me for getting a job in the garage and it gives me an idea of how to become an MOT tester.

Callum McKinlay - Transport Maintenance Student



Get a step ahead. choose your course ↓

We provide a first-class further education, offering a large range of courses and qualifications available for students at any life stage that are delivered by teaching and support staff who genuinely care about what they do.

We have a route to suit every level and mode of study, allowing you to build your future, to change your career, or prepare for a better tomorrow, helping you get one step ahead.

If you are unsure of which course is best to apply for, or how to apply – don't forget we have a very knowledgeable and helpful Admissions team here at the college ready to help you.

**Check out all
our courses
here!**

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// Don't wait for the right
opportunity. **Create it.**
George Bernard Shaw ✨ //

Quick guide to applying ↓

1. Search for your course

Search our courses at www.dumgal.ac.uk or click the link.

2. Apply online

Once you find the course that's right for you, hit the apply now button. Courses will fill up fast.



Our full-time courses start in August.

Check online for start dates for other courses or study at a time that suits you with open learning.

If you need help applying, you can check out our handy 'how to apply' page [here](#)



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One step ahead



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