



# SkillsFest 2025

# Who are we?

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- Leading provider of distance learning higher education in youth and criminal justice
- Created by founding members of the Youth Justice Board and experts in the field
- Specialise in youth and criminal justice workforce development



# Our mission

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To professionalise the workforce through the provision of quality higher education programmes



# Recognition of our education

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- We partner with the University of Suffolk to validate our degrees
- We are accredited by Skills for Justice Awards for our vocational and CPD qualifications
- We are working towards gaining the CPD mark for our short courses



# What do we offer?

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- Level 4 (Certificate of Higher Education)
- Level 5 (Foundation degree or diploma)
- Level 6 (BA/BA (Hons))
- Level 7 (Master's)
- CPD and short courses



# What do we offer?

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- Degree pathway in youth justice
- Degree pathway in criminal justice
- Short courses in
  - Child First
  - Trauma-informed Practice
  - Relational Practice
  - Diversion & Desistance



# Who we work with

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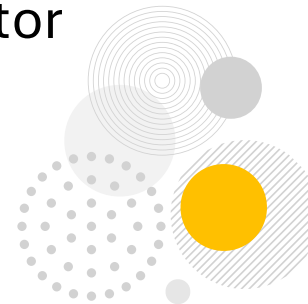
- Local Authorities throughout England & Wales
- His Majesty's Prison & Probation Services
- Youth Justice Board
- Secondary schools
- Secure Childrens Homes
- Youth clubs and services
- YMCA
- Overseas students seeking a UK validated degree



# Gold Standard, World Class

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- Student centric
- Modular built courses
- Accessible worldwide
- Adaptable to other UK based justice frameworks
- Learning coaches are handpicked for their specialist knowledge
  - Extensive practical experience in the sector
  - Integral to shaping our courses



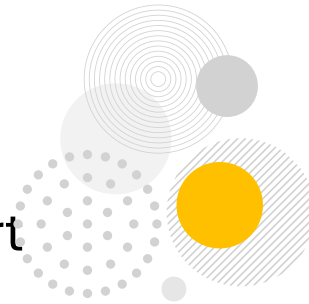


# Shaped For Global Delivery

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- Unique online platform designed by leading academics
- Accessible 24/7 with excellent technical support
- Mixed materials to include all learners (written, audio, visual, interactive)
- Refreshed for changes to legislation and best practice
- Open access where possible
- Non exam based qualifications
- Publications to further knowledge and understanding



# Projects With Children

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- Unitas has delivered Arts Colleges working directly with our most vulnerable children in society
- Standalone events using forms of art to engage and divert children throughout school holidays
- Built in numeracy and literacy skills
- Successful outcomes in reduced criminal activity
- Improvement to educational achievement
- Focus on personal growth
- A framework that can be modelled worldwide



# Success In All Shapes

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# Case Study 1

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- “Steve” enrolled by his employer to complete a degree programme
- Formal education ceased at aged 16
- Recognised dyslexia
- Modular design allowed for possible exit at CertHE
- Extensive individual support from Unitas
- A 2:1 achieved against all odds



# Case Study 2

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- “Joanna” based in Mexico undertaking a degree pathway
- Encountered significant health issues
- Chose to return after 6 months to the same learning coach
- Provided with additional resources to refresh and consolidate learning
- Tailored approach to encompass her health battles
- Currently on target to achieve a 1st



# Schools

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- Inset day developed specifically around Trauma-informed, Child First and Relational Practice
- Empowerment for teachers and support staff
- Able to recognise the needs of a child entering/exiting involvement with youth justice services, courts and custody
- Applicable to schools worldwide



# Testimonials

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- “I could never have dreamed I would achieve a degree, thanks to Unitas I have!”
- “The materials are brilliant and kept me engaged throughout my course”
- “Even the time difference hasn’t stopped me having a great connection with my learning coach”
- “the student support team were so helpful to me when I thought there was no hope of me finishing my degree”



# Summary

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- Unitas goes above and beyond to ensure a gold standard individual learning experience
- We pride ourselves on being student centric
- Our flexible learning is adaptable to all styles of learning
- We are able to partner globally to provide a recognised degree pathway
- For further discussions please find me on [LinkedIn.com/in/emma-Hannant](https://www.linkedin.com/in/emma-Hannant) or email me at [emma.Hannant@unitas.uk.net](mailto:emma.Hannant@unitas.uk.net)

