

Appendix 3:

Glasgow Kelvin College's Youth Access programme

The Youth Access programme was originally established to overcome a lack of digital skills in youth work services and continues to specialise in this area.

The programme works alongside other youth work partners in most of its services and supports young people in the development of the skills, attitudes and resilience required to support employment.

The Youth Access programme supports young people in the evenings and at weekends, to gain access to the John Wheatley Learning Network and develop skills with creative technologies based on arts and cultural activities.

To these ends the College's CLD Workers lead IT-based activities, working with College tutors to engage young people in activities such as:

- music creation;
- video editing;
- website creation;
- recreational use of the internet; and
- networked games.

These activities are designed to support the development of transferrable IT skills but also to support the development of social skills and the ability of young people to interact positively with their peers and with adults in authority.

Sessions are based in learning centres equipped with PCs and fast connections to College servers and the Internet. The Youth Access programme is supported by Glasgow Kelvin College, Glasgow City Council Community Planning and Glasgow Housing Association.

Operation and partnerships

The Youth Access programme is based on youth work principles and the sessions are led by CLD Workers in youth work roles. The programme supports learning, based on the development of trusted relationships built by CLD staff and young people. The young people are able to commission tutor support, as and when they have developed the confidence and interest in skills development, as appropriate.

While in the learning centres, the Glasgow Kelvin College CLD workers lead activities. The programme is often also delivered in the context of other facilities and youth work activities, in which other youth work agencies generally take the lead role. The programme currently delivers over 25 sessions each week across 15 venues.

College CLD Workers are involved in the Glasgow North East Strategic Youth Alliance and are represented at all 6 planning Hubs.

Recognition of Achievement

The Youth Access programme has, since its beginning, supported young people to develop skills and competencies in an informal manner and provides opportunities to gain recognised and accredited awards.

The extension of the College's online Individual Learning Plan system to its learners, encouraging young people to identify learning targets and to recognise when these have been achieved.

The Youth Access programme delivers Dynamic Youth Awards and Youth Achievement Awards, in partnership with Young Movers, 'Yomo' Glasgow.

Progression

The Youth Access programme is a key part of Glasgow Kelvin College's response to young people in need of more choices and more chances. It has demonstrated considerable success in engaging young people in lifelong learning opportunities within their community. It is also successful in encouraging young people who are at significant risk of excluding themselves from employment, education or training, to sustain engagement with formal learning opportunities.

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The current Youth Access programme timetable is listed below:

Day	Venue	Times	Partners
Monday	The Bridge, Glasgow Kelvin College Easterhouse Campus	4.30pm – 8pm	Glasgow Life Library Services
	A&M Dance, Glasgow Kelvin College Springburn Campus	5:30pm – 8:30pm	A&M Scotland
	FUSE Youth Cafe	6.30pm – 9.30pm	Fuse Ltd
Tuesday	East End Campus, Glasgow Kelvin College	5pm-8pm	Glasgow Kelvin College
	Baillieston Library	5pm – 8pm	Glasgow Life Library Services
	The Bridge	4.30pm – 8pm	Glasgow Kelvin College
	Ashgill Recreation Centre	7pm -9pm	Glasgow Community Safety Services
Wednes- day	The Bridge	4.30pm- 8pm	Glasgow Kelvin College / FARE-Youngvoices
	East End Campus, Glasgow Kelvin College	5pm-8pm	Glasgow Kelvin College
	Music Workshop, Glasgow Kelvin	6pm – 9pm	Glasgow Kelvin College

	College, Easterhouse Campus		
	Cranhill Development Trust	6.30pm – 8.30pm	FARE / Cranhill Development Trust
	Townhead Village Hall	6pm – 9pm	Townhead Village Hall/Glasgow Life
	Pavillion Youth Café	7pm – 9pm	Pavillion Youth Café
Thursday	The Bridge	4.30pm - 8pm	Glasgow Life Library Services
	East End Campus, Glasgow Kelvin College	5pm-8pm	Glasgow Life Youth Services
	FUSE Youth Cafe	6.30pm-9.30pm	Fuse LTD
	FARE	6.30pm – 8.30pm	FARE
	Caledonia Primary School	6pm – 8pm	FARE
	St Pauls Church	7pm - 9pm	St Paul's Youth Forum
Friday	The Bridge	4.30pm-9pm	Glasgow Kelvin College
	Carmyle Community Centre	6pm – 9pm	FUSE LTD / Glasgow Life / Carmyle Community Centre
	The Connie Community Centre	6pm – 9pm	Glasgow Life Youth Services, Connect Community Trust
	The Glenburn Centre	6pm–9pm	The Glenburn Centre
	Cranhill Beacon	6pm – 8pm	FARE, Glasgow Life Youth Services
	East End Campus, Glasgow Kelvin College	6pm – 9pm	Glasgow Kelvin College
Saturday	The Bridge	12pm – 5pm	Glasgow Life Library Services, FARE
	Glasgow Kelvin College	5pm – 8pm	Glasgow Kelvin College
	Oasis@Wallacewell (Only Operates on the first two Saturdays of each month)	7pm – 9:30pm	Wallacewell Fellowship
Sunday	FARE	6:30pm - 8:30'm	FARE

