

Salford Open Learning (SOL)

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Location of provision

Salford Open Learning is currently based in three locations across Salford:
Broughton Hub - 50 Rigby St, Salford, M7 4BQ
Westwood Park Community Centre – Grasmere Crescent, Eccles M30 8DN
Bridgewater Youth Centre – Little Hulton, M44 6BR

Service description

Salford Open Learning is a 25 hour educational provision, offering students a range of accredited qualifications. Young people do GCSEs in English, Maths and Art. They also follow the Key Stage 4 National Curriculum for PE, PSHE and Citizenship. In addition the young people take part in Duke of Edinburgh, complete AQA Unit Awards for Cooking, and Preparation for Independent Living, Arts Award and have the option to study a Vocational Subject in there are of interest. Students complete challenging 6 week projects in each of the subjects they study and their achievements are reported to their school and parents at the end of each half term.

It is broad and varied, stretching and challenging curriculum. It places emphasis on English and Maths, and students complete Functional Skills in these subjects in addition to GCSEs.

We have in place, strategies for differentiating the Curriculum to ensure that it caters to the individual needs of each young person. We have a well qualified and experienced staff team who can engage with external agencies to ensure students' needs are met and take account of the SEN(D) Code of practice.

Course Information

Individual provision Maps are developed for each student. On entry, assessments are completed in the centre. These assessments ensure that we start with as much accurate data as possible and to make sure new students are at their exact starting point. Baseline assessments are also completed at the start of each of the 6 week projects. Therefore clear targets can be set, individual areas of develop can be identified and targeted support can be arranged. This information is outlined in each student's provision map.

The aim of the Provision Map is to:

- Have all of the student's targets and strategies to help them learn in one place, which can be reviewed regularly.

- For the students to be able to see at a glance, what level they are working at and what they need to do to move forward.
- To provide the form tutors with up to date information on their students' progress.
- To be accessible to parents and staff, if needed for a meeting in relation to filling in a CAF, TAC, Professionals meetings, reintegration to school or SEN(D) review.

Accredited Maths and English

Functional Skills GCSE

Accredited Qualifications

GCSE – Art Arts Award SEPE (Supporting Employability and Personal Effectiveness) Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award
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Non- Accredited Qualifications

Programmes of Study for PE, PSHE & Citizenship Work completed with Connexions Service Confidence and team building exercise offered throughout the programme
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Provision Details

Type of Provision	Full Time
Pupil Age	Key Stage 4 – Year 10 and 11 students only
Duration/ No. of Places	2 year courses some of which are modular, and therefore students can join us throughout the year. There are 10 places available at each centre – 30 places in total.
Additional Support Offered	Full Youth Service support is available to young people, and access to multi agency services.
Cost	Termly - TBC
Transport	SOL can assist parents with getting an IGO card. Where there are issues with travel arrangements, it is possible for a taxi to be arranged through our account with a local taxi company.
Other Relevant Info	SOL provides breakfast, lunch and refreshments throughout the day
Referral Arrangements	Referrals go through Karen Hamer, Inclusion Officer Tel: 0161 778 0312 Karen.hamer@salford.gov.uk
Salford Delivery	Salford Open Learning is currently delivering education in Salford