

# Retake - A Fresh Start

Your chance to excel, to gain new qualifications  
and to upgrade your results



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CCSS offers students the perfect opportunity for a fresh start. Whether at A Level or GCSE, if you have not achieved the grades you were hoping for, don't panic.

- We have 35 years' experience helping students make the right choices at this important transition point. Make a fresh start at a new subject or repeat the courses you have already studied, you'll find true expertise to guide you to success.
- Students join us for fast-track retakes to improve their grades, or to add a brand new subject.
- Retake or restart, fast-track or standard two year, we will help you make the best decisions. Students often improve by two grades per subject and then move on to university, the most popular destinations over recent years being Cambridge, Durham and Manchester. Our UCAS preparation is second to none.
- With inspiring teachers, small tuition groups, and a real sense of purpose, CCSS is very different from school. In a refreshingly informal environment, our students embrace new challenges and realise their full potential.

Now is the time to review your success and consider your next steps – the ones that will set the agenda for your future. This is your opportunity for a fresh start.



# One-year A Levels

The CCSS one-year A Level fast-track programme is an exceptional opportunity to gain an A Level qualification in just one-year. As a guide, our current one-year course options include:

Art	English Literature	Further Maths
Biology	Graphic Design	Photography
Chemistry	History	Physics
Economics	Maths	Psychology

Other subjects are available on request.

Students take up to three subjects and the course is suitable for students who:

- Have completed their first year of A Levels but need to re-cover AS work in addition to learning new A2 material.
- Taken A Levels or International Baccalaureate but need to retake/restart in order to boost their grades.
- Want to change the direction of their Higher Education aspirations by acquiring new subjects at A Level.



Retake students generally graduate from CCSS with improved university options and a much clearer understanding of the skills required to make the best of degree-level work.

*“I attained 4 A\*s; moreover I got grade S in all STEP papers (1-3). Now I’m reading Mathematics at King’s College, Cambridge.”*

# One-year GCSEs

CCSS runs a highly successful one-year programme for GCSE students. We offer a broad range of subjects providing students with a varied and balanced curriculum. Maths, English and a science subject are compulsory on this course.

As a guide our current one-year course options include:

Biology	English Literature	Maths
Business	Art	Physics
Chemistry	History	

Other subjects are available on request.



Students usually take six subjects, depending on their background and future plans. This approach gives experience of a range of academic disciplines before choosing which subjects to study on the A Level programme.

Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE) is an important element of the education for our younger students and this is interwoven in the GCSE programme.

## Who chooses a one-year GCSE programme at CCSS?

- Students who, after completing Year 9 or Year 10, feel that they will benefit from our small class sizes and personal attention or from our extensive subject range.
- Re-sit students who have not performed as well as they hoped and wish to retake GCSE in order to improve their grades and get a firm foundation for further education.
- Students who want to build upon GCSE success by quickly gaining additional GCSEs in new subjects that will open the door to a bright future.

With an average class size of six, you receive strong individual support. Our Head of GCSE has a great rapport with students, you'll meet every day to keep a close eye on your progress and achievement.

# The CCSS Advantage



Our view is that the combination of loving your subject, enjoying the approach your teachers take, and being inspired to find out more is the key to a great education. This then leads to better marks and examinations.

Students at CCSS benefit from exceptionally small class sizes. Taught by supportive, qualified staff, who enable students to thrive academically and socially, students surprise themselves with their capability.

Our teachers are truly outstanding, highly-qualified subject specialists, passionate about their subjects and determined to inspire their students and transform aspiration into achievement.

The atmosphere at CCSS is informal but mature and studious. The wide range of subjects offered means that our scientists mingle with artists and our legal minds chat over coffee with their colleagues taking humanities courses. The College is vibrant, sociable and warm.

Working hard is a part of every day, making time to do that little bit of extra study, but so too is making time to build friendships and time to develop as an individual.

## Learning that suits you

CCSS is a fantastic place to learn. Our philosophy is that education is to be enjoyed for its challenges, its insights, and the excitement of intellectual discovery. Located in the heart of one of the most inspiring and burgeoning cities in Europe, CCSS embodies all that is remarkable about the location: stimulating, creative, knowledgeable, stylish, established and innovative.

An incredible choice of subjects, day and boarding options and great social activities all contribute to a learning environment that is respectful and responsive to each student's needs.

We work hard with our students to really understand what sets their interest alight. We then nurture those sparks of interest to make sure that students are engaging with their subjects and confident in their growing ability.

## Education to suit you

At CCSS, courses, learning and accommodation are all genuinely tailored to suit your style and your ambitions. Inspiring teachers, small tuition groups, a wide choice of subjects, extra tuition time and, of course, enthusiastic students all contribute to make your time at CCSS a fabulous learning experience.

- Small class sizes (averaging under six on fast-track courses).
- Over 6 hours teaching time per subject per week at A Level.
- Outstanding teaching by highly qualified staff.
- Networking opportunities with academic, social and business contacts.
- Varied and educational extra-curricular programme of sports and cultural activities.
- Excellent UCAS support and university progression.
- All boarders live in single accommodation in CCSS managed residences.
- Our supportive and caring environment encourages independence and maturity.

A fresh start with new friends, and a whole new college life to enjoy, as well as the incredible opportunities offered by the greatest study location in the world.

## Commitment

At CCSS we are proud of our reputation, confident of our carefully tailored provision and experienced in helping students find their talents and their confidence to excel.

Students that come to CCSS are ambitious and prepared to work hard, supported by an outstanding tutorial team.

Together we can ensure that the CCSS opportunity becomes a truly successful fresh start.

*"I had a year of really hard work and it paid off - I got A\*, A, A and was accepted at my first choice university."*

# Fees

For information, an indication of fees is shown but please do talk to a member of the Admissions Team for more detail. On application a detailed quotation will be provided to reflect each student's individual curriculum, along with full terms and conditions.

## Indicative costs:

One-year A Level: £25,200

Two-year A Level: £19,950

One-year GCSE: £21,000

Accommodation from £13,500 per annum, including all meals.

## How to apply

If you are thinking of studying with us please do not hesitate to get in touch.

For further information please contact the Admissions Team.

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This is a time for important decisions and at CCSS we have the experience to help you get your future on track.



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