

Your path to a different



Liverpool FC Foundation
International Football College



Foundation

Foreword

“Since joining the club I have been very impressed by the work done by the Liverpool FC Foundation and the College is a prime example of the great opportunities it promotes.

Not everyone is fortunate enough to become a full-time professional, so our International College is great in offering an alternative route into the game. If you love football and are hungry to progress and meet your potential, the Liverpool FC Foundation International College is first class.”



Jurgen Klopp



Introduction

“The Liverpool FC Foundation International College provides a unique learning experience for 16-19 year old males, providing pathways into the game and into UK and USA Universities through a tailored and balanced curriculum.



A number of students have progressed from our outstanding programme to degree courses in teaching, Sport Science and Coaching. Some have gained full-time professional football contracts.

The prospect of welcoming students from all corners of the globe and integrating them with local youngsters is very exciting and mutually beneficial in terms of academic, social and sporting development. That's what football is about, bringing people together to realise personal aspirations and to achieve incredible outcomes.

Andrea Cooper Head of Liverpool FC Foundation



The Liverpool Way

Liverpool FC is recognised world wide for its illustrious history. For many years the Club has been at the forefront of British and European Football.

The ‘Liverpool Way’ is a clear way of doing things which sets us apart from other clubs. The value of hard work and togetherness, capacity to overcome difficulties and above all the principles of fair play and dignified behaviour on and off the field are paramount.

We believe we have a responsibility for the all-round education of young players as we prepare them not only for life in football but life after football.

We will ensure that each player on our course is immersed in the Liverpool Way and is aware of the traditions, standards and values the Club represents.

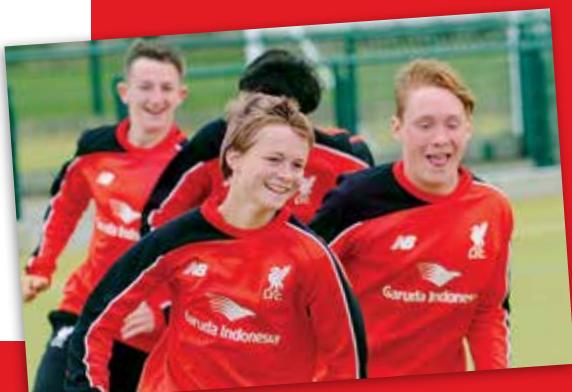
Aims and Values

Liverpool FC Foundation International College will:

- Help develop students mental skills that can be used in all aspects of their lives.
- Support learners with their academic studies.
- Create a learning environment where students can work together to raise aspirations and achieve their goals in life.
- Provide pathways into football, higher education and employment.
- Teach the importance of role models in society and the positive impact they have.

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The Football Programme

The Liverpool FC Foundation International College Football programme gives talented 16-19 year old males the opportunity to learn the Liverpool Way through an intensive football and education schedule.

Students will be supported to gain qualifications such as BTEC Sport, International Baccalaureate and FA Coaching Awards, and English Language will be delivered for non-English speakers. Working with a top coaching team and sport scientists, they will be living, preparing and competing like young professional footballers in the English Premier League.

In addition to progressing academically, students will compete at the highest level outside of academy football in league, cup and prestigious friendlies. This will give them the opportunity to showcase their talent against other Premier and Football League development players. There have already been numerous success stories with players progressing into professional football, into coaching jobs and UK and USA Universities.



Success Story

After Paul Mullin's release from LFC Academy, Head of Player Welfare, Phil Roscoe, signed the striker to the College. His goals led to the College winning the ECFA National Cup in 2012 and Paul signed professional forms with Huddersfield Town FC soon after. After one season the striker signed for Morecambe FC where he is a regular on the score sheet.



Students will train
and prepare like pros.

Sport Science

The playing programme is enhanced with a sport science approach to support player development. We aim to improve individual and team performance through working on small details.



Strength and Conditioning

The programme places emphasis on the transfer of improvements from gym into training and match situations.

Psychology

Players work on their mental game in aspects such as confidence, belief, concentration and resilience.

Performance Analysis

Analysts will work with players to look at both team and individual performance and make improvements to their game.

Nutrition

The Sport Science team will advise players on nutritional regimes that will allow for optimal performance to assist preparation and recovery from training and games.



Key benefits for International Students

- Learning first hand from the highly experienced and qualified LFC coaching team.
- Playing fixtures in a high profile League.
- Your own LFC training and match day kit.
- Support from Sport Scientists.
- Behind-the-scenes insight into Liverpool Football Club.
- Your own individual development plan.
- Support with academic studies by education specialists.
- Seminars for students with guest speakers from the world of football – including coaches, managers and professional players, Premier League and Football League recruitment staff and soccer agents.
- End of Season Celebration Event at Anfield Stadium.
- Potential progression into football and employment.
- Accommodation in the Liverpool area and time to explore the city.
- Limited to just twenty places for 16-19 year olds.





FA Level 1 Football Coaching

This course is an ideal starting point for anybody wishing to acquire a basic understanding of football coaching. The course allows for progression onto a Level 2 qualification.

Course Overview

This course provides an introduction to the organisation and delivery of safe and enjoyable coaching sessions for young players. Students will get the opportunity to coach with the LFC Foundation.

- **Minimum Age:** 16
- **Course Duration:** One Academic Year
- **Entry Requirements:** None



International Baccalaureate Career-related Programme (IBCP)

The IBCP is a framework of international education that incorporates the vision and educational principles of the International Baccalaureate (IB) into a unique programme specifically developed for students who wish to engage in career-related learning.

Course Overview

The course allows students to create an individual path that leads to employment, apprenticeships or higher education. The Career-related Programme (CP) is a wraparound programme of study that bridges the gap between the academic (IB) and the vocational (BTEC).

Alongside the study of IB subjects and the vocational elements, there is the CP core. The core bridges the academic courses and BTEC and provides students with a combination of academic and practical skills. There are four interrelated components from the core:

- **Approaches to learning.** This course aims to develop responsibility, resilience, problem solving and an understanding of the challenging global world that we live in.
- **Community and Service.** This is where the students identify a community need and create a project to support the community, applying both personal and social skills in real life situations along the way.
- **Reflective Project.** Students produce an essay, web page or short film from their vocational qualification.
- **Language Development.** Students have exposure to a second language increasing understanding of the world.



BTEC Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma in Sport

The Academic programme allows students to develop essential skills required for gaining employment, securing career progression or progressing onto a Foundation or Full Degree.

The BTEC Sport is a stimulating and challenging vocational course for students. Sessions are a mixture of theory and practical lessons and wherever possible underpinning theory will also be demonstrated in a practical context. Assessment combines observed practical assessments, written reports, presentations, discussions, case studies and work booklets.



James Mitchison now plays in the NCAA League for IUPUI.

Option 1 - BTEC National Level 3 90-Credit Diploma in Sport

Course Overview

BTEC Sport Level 3 90-Credit Diploma Sport Course is a 1 year full-time course for learners wanting to progress into a sport-related career or progress into Higher Education.

Success Story

James Mitchison studies at Indiana University-Purdue University (IUPUI), he joined Liverpool FC Foundation College to realise his dream to play in America. "I worked hard with the tutors' support and encouragement. My results at LFC Foundation College enabled me to apply to IUPUI. I don't know where I would be without the safety net of the Foundation International College programme."



Option 2 - BTEC National Level 3 Extended Diploma

Course Overview

For students who intend to study for a degree or follow a career in the Sport Industry. This course can be taken as an equivalent to three A-Level subjects over a 2 year period.

Course Content

Features/Benefits

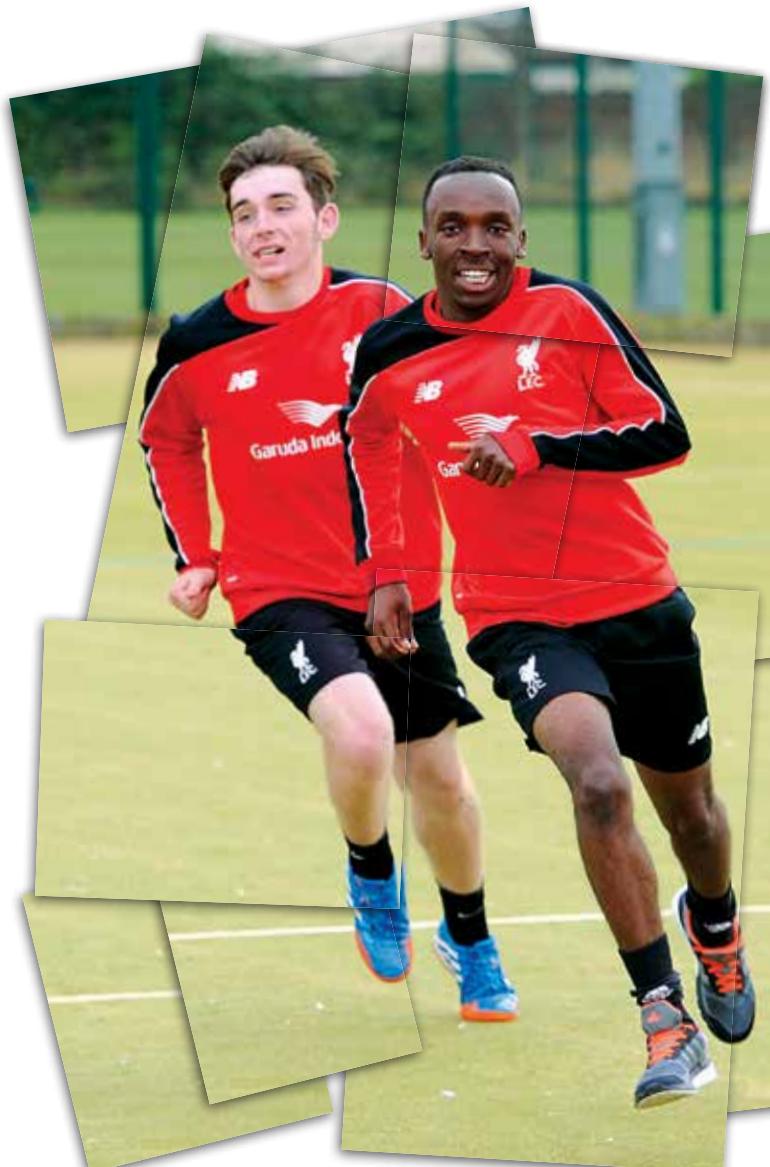
As part of BTEC Sport, learners will be involved in a number of exciting external visits which include Liverpool John Moores University sports science labs, Anfield stadium, Liverpool FC Academy and St George's Park. It is the college philosophy that learners should be exposed to specialists from the Sport and industry on a regular basis, as a result guest speakers are often present in class to enhance the learning experience.

Monitoring Progress

Learners will be assigned a personal Tutor, who, alongside other delivery staff on the programme, will monitor learner progress on the course in relation to work submission, attendance, behaviour and punctuality as well as progress against a learner's individual targets.

Maths and English

Students who enrol at the college with a grade D at GCSE in Maths or English and will be expected to attend GCSE lessons in either subject area until a grade C is achieved.





Tours are a valuable way of gaining experience and building teamwork.

Football Tours

Players will have the opportunity to gain a squad place and compete in tournaments around the world including Europe and the USA.

This includes playing in one of the world's biggest youth tournaments, The Dallas Cup. The LFC U19s were runners-up in 2014, losing out in the final to Costa Rica at the Cotton Bowl stadium.

Joe Brooks, a graduate from the 2014 squad described the tour as the 'best two weeks of his life' and shares this experience with future students:

"From the moment they set foot onto the plane they are starting an unforgettable journey. It is a truly life-changing experience that plays a massive part in shaping their futures. Competing against the best teams, playing at amazing venues and experiencing American culture gave us memories that will stay with us for the rest of our lives. I am now studying to become a PE teacher and feel the college and my experience in USA inspired me to do this."



Murphy nets for the first team.

Success Story
James Murphy was part of the Dallas Cup 2014 Runners-up squad and made rapid progress alerting many clubs of his potential. A left-sided player, James is currently playing for Airbus UK in the Welsh Premier League.

Success at Liverpool FC Foundation College

Our expert tutors, coaches and sport scientists support students towards progress in their academic studies and football. Some of these successes include:

Bartosz Kowalczyk quickly established himself as the Number one goalkeeper at the College after joining from Legia Warsaw. His outstanding performance led to much interest from professional scouts in the UK and USA after he starred in the team that reached the 2014 Dallas Cup Final. Alongside his studies, Bartosz trains with LFC U21s at The Academy in Kirkby.

Connor Roberts-Nurse, a former Liverpool FC Academy Scholar, played for LFC Foundation International College in 2013. The team won the Northern College Cup and were runners up in the National Cup at St.Georges Park. Connor progressed onto Sheffield Wednesday before signing for Wrexham FC in 2015.

Cooper Mullins joined the Foundation International College from Adelaide, Australia. Following trials, he caught the eye with some top performances in the PLFL, marshalling the back-line of the A Team. Aged 18, Cooper has much to look forward to during the season including the 2016 Dallas Cup.

Nathan Burke joined after completing a two year Scholarship at LFC Academy. The former England Youth captain, Burke, played in the 2014/15 LFC College ECFA Category 1 League winning side. He signed for Evo-Stik Premier League side Warrington Town FC where he was part of the successful 2014/15 NPL Challenge Cup run.

Michael Barrow was a student at the College from 2013-2015 where he was an integral part of the Dallas Cup 2014 finalist squad. The midfielder worked hard on his technical and tactical game and was rewarded in August 2015 when he gained a place in the prestigious Nike Academy at St.Georges Park.



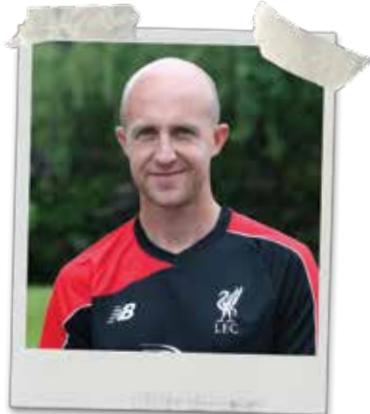
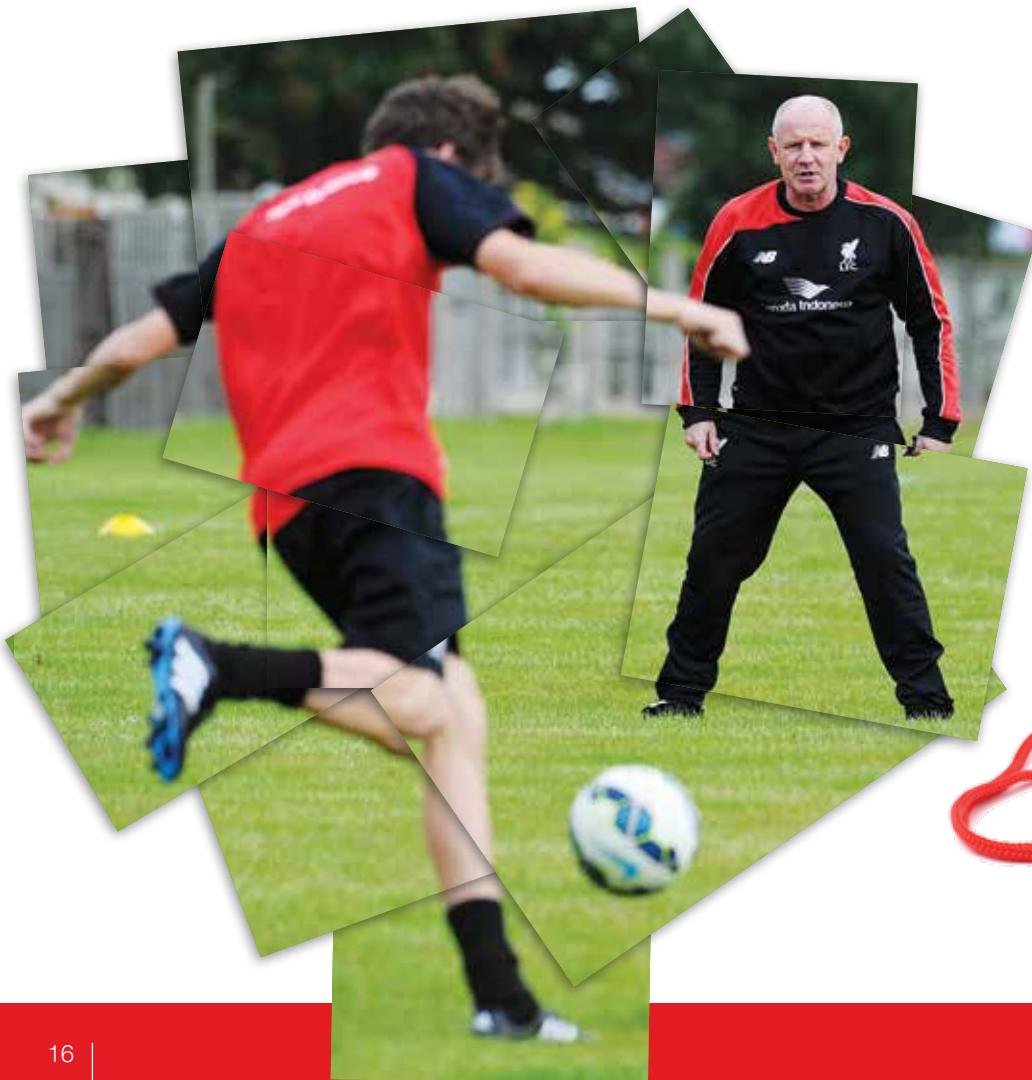
Cooper Mullins attending a Q&A with Simon Mignolet.



Tutors help students with their goals both on and off the pitch.

Meet the Staff

Progression pathways for our students are vital. We work closely with them to support them every step to achieve their goals. These could include gaining entry to UK and USA Universities, progress in football and employment.



**David MacDiarmid
Director**

David coached for 10 years at the LFC Academy under the technical expertise of Steve Heighway and Piet Hamburg, and has coached around Europe for Liverpool FC. As a youth player, David was at the LFC Academy for many years and had a successful semi-professional playing career.





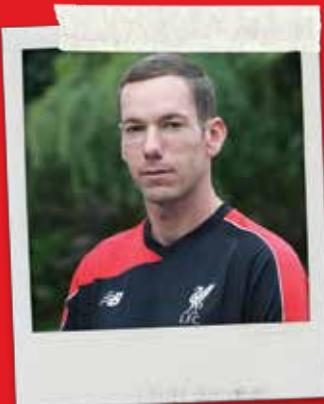
Gary Martindale Coach

Gary played as a striker in the Football League for several clubs including Bolton Wanderers and Notts County. He reached the FA Trophy Final with Burscough FC where he netted both goals in a 2-1 victory. Gary recently became Assistant Manager at Witton Albion in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier League. Gary worked alongside David Rowe to steer LFCFIC to the Dallas Cup final in 2014 and will lead a college squad in the PLFL League.



David Rowe Director of Coaching

David is a vastly experienced coach with UEFA 'A' credentials. He has spent many years at the highest level at the LFC Academy working under the technical expertise of Steve Heighway, Piet Hamburg, Pep Segura and Alex Inglethorpe. David coached the Liverpool FC Foundation College to be National Champions in 2012, Dallas Cup finalists in 2014 and ECFA Cat 1 League Winners 2015.



Carl Giles – Head of Education and Sport

Carl most recently worked in Dubai where he was Head of Physical Education in the Emirates International School, Jumeirah.

Carl was previously at Archbishop Beck as a Physical Education Specialist Teacher where he taught 'outstanding' lessons to PE students at Liverpool John Moores University. Carl is a UEFA B License Coach who has led Archbishop Beck and Liverpool Schoolboys teams to local and national titles and a former senior Scout at Manchester City Football Club Youth Academy.



Lee Madeloso – Pearson Assessment Associate

Lee graduated from Liverpool John Moores University with a Bsc (Hons) in Sports Science in 1996, then completed a PGCE in PE at Liverpool John Moores University in 2007.

As a PE teacher, Lee taught in Liverpool for six years holding various roles and responsibilities and was Head of PE in St Helens for seven years. He has coached in the USA and has achieved national success with school sports teams. Lee is a Pearson Assessment Associate, where he fulfils a range of roles in vocational and general qualifications.

Accommodation

There are two types of accommodation; living with a host family or at the Soccer Barn. The Welfare Officer will talk students through the arrangements and what to expect. Prior to arrival, we will request a Learner Profile to help us get to know students, and find the most suitable host family when arranging lodgings.



On arrival in the UK, students will be met at the airport by a member of the LFCFIC team who will help transport them to their lodgings and help them to settle in.

Host Family Accommodation

Great care, time and consideration is taken into choosing our host families to ensure our students stay is a home-from-home. Host families normally have a minimum of two learners which allows everyone to develop a real bond from the outset. The families offer support and guidance to ensure our students stay is a happy one.





The Soccer Barn – a great place to relax after training.



Liverpool's historic waterfront
offers much to explore.

The City of Liverpool

Liverpool is one of Britain's most vibrant cities. It is the UK's only city outside London to boast three Universities and with over 50,000 enrolled, it's very student friendly.

Liverpool offers all the excitement of a major city but also the friendliness and sense of community of a much smaller town. It's an iconic city that is home to many famous landmarks, including The Liver Buildings, Anglican and Catholic Cathedrals and the historic docks.

Liverpool is famous for its two Premier League teams, lively restaurants, cafes and music venues. The city has many cinemas and five theatres.

The locals are friendly and outgoing, proud of their city and known for their ready humour and quick wit. A cheerful and hospitable atmosphere means students will make friends quickly, both with locals and other scholars. It takes time to get used to any new city, but Liverpool's open atmosphere will make it easier to adapt even for those living away from home for the first time.



Packages

Packages Available (prices available on application)

1-6 Month Taster Courses

Available for students to come and sample the LFC Foundation International College. This can start at any time. Contact us for more information.

1 Year Programme Education Options

- BTEC Level 3 – Subsidiary Diploma (1 A-Level equivalent) in Sport Coaching, Performance and Excellence
- The International Baccalaureate Career Related Programme
- English Language Course (English as a Foreign Language)

2 Year Programme Education Options:

- BTEC Level 3– Full Diploma (2 A-Level equivalent) in Sport Coaching, Performance and Excellence
- The International Baccalaureate Career Related Programme
- 1-Year -English Language Course (English as a Foreign Language EFL) plus 1 Year BTEC Level 3 – Subsidiary Diploma (1 A-Level equivalent) in Sport – Coaching, Performance and Excellence

Term Dates for Academic Year 2016/17

Term 1:

Start date: 17th August 2016 - End date 20th December,

Term 2:

Start date: 3rd January 2017 - End date 31st May, 2017

It is recommended that students arrive a couple of days prior to the start of each Term to settle back into life in Liverpool. It is possible that students can remain in the UK over the Christmas period.



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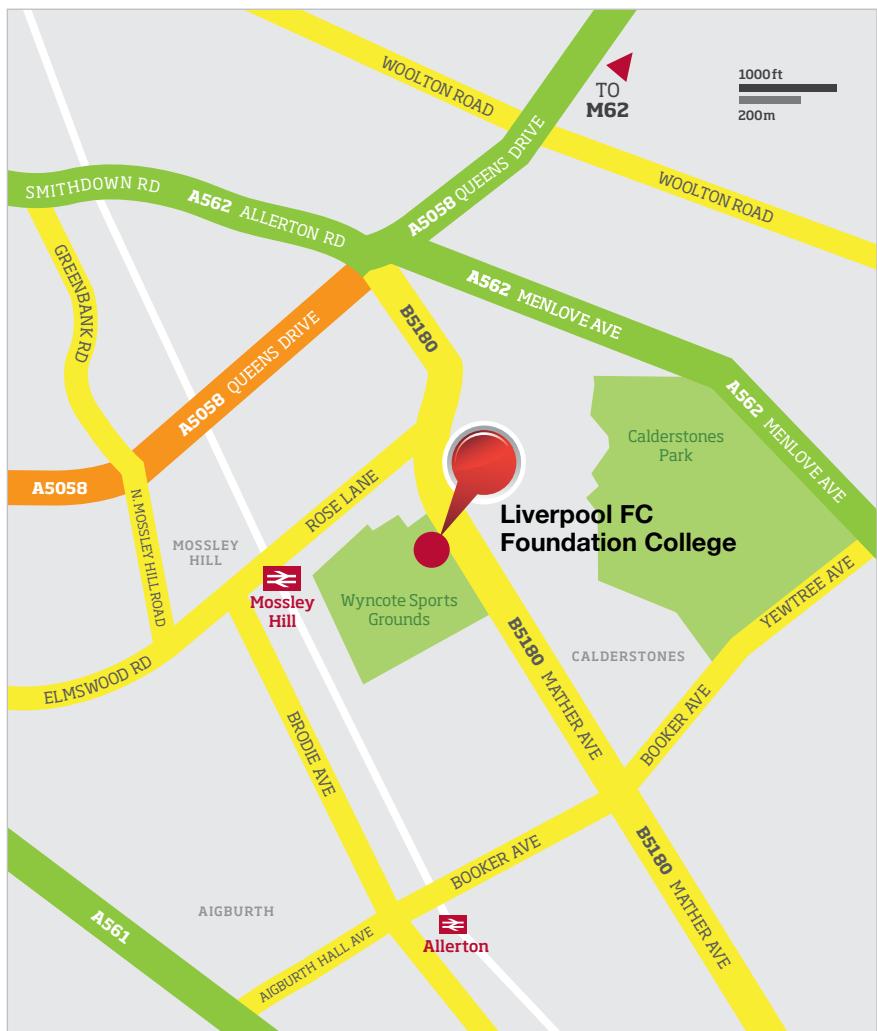
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