



## **Yeovil College Graphic Design students receive Unconditional offers at Universities**

Three Yeovil College Graphic Design students are delighted to have made it through the highly competitive selection process to gain unconditional places at universities next year.

Mhya Williams, 19, formerly of The Gryphon School will study Interior Design at Cardiff Metropolitan University.  
George Poole, 20, formerly of Bucklers Mead Academy will study Graphic Design at Plymouth University.  
Claudia Coleman, 18, formerly of Westfield Academy will study Graphic Design at University of Portsmouth or the University of Southampton.

Adrian Ponter, Curriculum Area Manager of Creative Industries at Yeovil College, said, "I'm so proud the students were able to get unconditional offers at their chosen universities, they have worked really hard to be given this opportunity to progress further."

"The College is determined to ensure students' progress by developing a range of design skills including creative problem solving, Adobe Design software skills and project working skills. The students take part in National Advertising competitions like the Ideas Foundation Avis and AA briefs, the UK World Skills and work on real live briefs for real clients such as Nationwide Building Society."

Around 90% of Yeovil College Graphic Design student's progress into Higher Education or employment.

Mhya, said, "I didn't expect to get an unconditional offer but I'm really happy and excited for the new experiences to come."

"Last year for my final major project I did a 3D scan of a hotel room and enjoyed it so much that I realised interior design was the avenue for me."

"The great thing about the Graphic Design course here at Yeovil College is that it really opens your mind to the places that you can go with design; it's not just Graphics. The course gives you the freedom to become an expert in a field that suits you."

Mhya is thrilled with her offer and can't wait to be around more like-minded, creative people.

George, who will be heading Plymouth later this year, said, "It feels great to know that Plymouth University trust in me to succeed. I feel like I can relax a bit more for the rest of the year but I'm still aiming for a distinction."

"I'm really excited about meeting new people, checking out the facilities and all the opportunities that university life will bring."

George's ambition is to work within an advertising agency as he currently enjoys working from live briefs. George was just one of many students to present his ideas at Adam & Eve DDB, London this year which has driven his interest in the communications and design industry.

George has a passion for travel and is hoping to take a year out after university to take part in the Rickshaw Challenge, an adventure that will enable him to travel around India in a Tuk Tuk.

Claudia, who will be going to Portsmouth University, said, "I was really surprised to get two offers from my favourite Universities. It's been a hard choice but I think I will go to Portsmouth as the area is really nice and I like that everything is on the same campus."

"Portsmouth has great sporting facilities so I'm excited to get involved with that and meet new people in the process."

"My parents are really happy for me and said that they knew I could do it."

"I'm not too sure what job I want to do yet but I am really keen to get involved with Camp America at some point as I think that'll be a great challenge."

“Graphic Design at Yeovil College in an interesting course that has enabled me to learn lots of new skills at high standards, grow my knowledge within Photoshop and Illustrator whilst being surrounded by a supportive group of like-minded people.”

More than 5000 students choose to study at Yeovil College and the Yeovil College University Centre each year, completing a wide range of qualifications which will help them progress towards success in their chosen careers.

The Yeovil College Graphic Design course develops multidisciplinary skills in relation to chosen Graphic and Design pathway. The course includes live briefs, work experience and design competitions.

Yeovil College has been serving the community in and around Yeovil for 130 years.

The College was first formed in 1887 when Somerset County Council began formally organising Science and Art classes in Yeovil. In 1947, the first Principal was appointed to lead Yeovil Technical College and when secondary education in the Yeovil Borough was reorganised in 1974, Yeovil College became one of the early tertiary colleges to be formed in England.

Today, Yeovil College remains passionate about its role as a key provider of education and training in South Somerset and North and West Dorset. It remains committed to its role as a tertiary college for the whole community and currently supports around 5000 full and part-time students.

For more information on Yeovil College courses, visit: [www.yeovil.ac.uk](http://www.yeovil.ac.uk).



**Photograph shows**

L – R: Mhya Williams, George Poole and Claudia Coleman, all Level 3 Graphic Design students