

# PATHWAY

For students wanting to follow a more intensive course similar to, for example, a jazz degree at a Conservatoire, we offer a CERTIFICATE AND DIPLOMA PATHWAY through 4 levels of learning.

Each programme comprises 2 seasons of study, and depending on your level of jazz playing experience and knowledge you can choose from the following programmes:

- CERTIFICATE LEVEL ONE
- CERTIFICATE LEVEL TWO
- CERTIFICATE LEVEL THREE
- DIPLOMA LEVEL FOUR

Each programme is a standalone period of supported study - you may move on to the next playing level whenever you are ready.

While a student will ideally complete each programme in 2 consecutive seasons of study, we will also award a PART ONE after one season if a break in study is required.

Students attend a combination of regular ensembles(s), 121 tutorials (either at Jazz School UK or by Skype), workshop and pathway days, guided personal study and skype/email contact.

The contact hours in each season will amount to 120 hours, In practical terms this will generally work out at 2 visits per month to Jazz School UK and 10 hours per week of guided personal study.

- Teaching is carried out by professional players teaching at Conservatoire level
- The structure and content of the course are at least equal and in most cases superior to those offered by jazz degree courses
- Our levels 1-2 are pre-university playing standard; our levels 3-4 are undergraduate and postgraduate playing standard.
- As the course will not undergo any evaluation or validation by outside institutions the certificates and diploma we offer are not 'formal' qualifications, and none of the credits achieved can be transferred.

Payment can be by term in 6 instalments (2 x September £650, 2 x January £550, 2 x May £550) (total £3500) or with 24 monthly instalments of £150 (total £3600).

The venue for the ensemble course days and lessons is [Jazz School UK](#), in the Shoefactory at Rushden, a beautiful Victorian building (with a grand piano in all three playing spaces), also the home of jazz musicians Nick Weldon and Andra Sparks.