

Meet the staff

Name: Tom Clayton

Role: Sports Lecturer, GK Coach

Background: Tom was a personal trainer for 8 years where he worked with all sorts of clients from general fitness fanatics to

professional athletes before he started teaching at Grantham College in 2016. Football wise, Tom was a goalkeeper at Nottingham Forest academy for 6 years, after there he played men's football at semi-professional level within the Evo Stik and UCL levels for numerous clubs before having to retire with injury. He is Head GK coach at the Nottingham Forest Development Centre where he has coached for 10 years now. Most recently, Tom has been involved with the coaching staff as a GK coach for both Grantham Town and Lincoln United's 1st teams.

Qualifications: Bsc hons Degree in Sport Science, PGCE, FA Level 2 Outfield, FA Level 2 GK, working toward UEFA B, Level 3 Personal Training.

Favourite football quote: If you give young people your attention and an opportunity to succeed, it is amazing how much they will surprise you.

Aspirations: Tom is still an optimistic person, his aim is to finish the UEFA B licence, and then look at obtaining the UEFA B GK, UEFA A and UEFA A GK licences to open up the opportunity of working within the professional game as a 1st team GK coach.

