

T-LEVELS

THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Qualifications with work placements to take you to the next level

Education and Early Years

What are T-Levels?

- ↑ An alternative to A levels, apprenticeships and other 16 to 19 courses.
- ↑ A qualification equivalent to three A Levels carry UCAS points for progression into Higher Education, and prepares students for to apprenticeship and employment.
- ↑ Routes for students into skilled employment, higher study or apprenticeships.
- ↑ An in-depth industry placement that lasts at least 45 days. Students get valuable experience in the workplace; employers get early sight of the new talent in their industry.

How does it work?

You will spend 80% of the course in your learning environment, gaining the skills that employers need. The other 20% is a meaningful industry placement, where you put your learnt skills into action. The industry placement is used to assess students' Early Years Educator competencies

T-Level Technical qualification Education and Early Years

This qualification is suitable for post-16 students looking to develop both knowledge and practical skills in the Education and Early Years sector.

What will I study?

- ↑ The Education and Early Years sector from ages 0 to 19
- ↑ Child development
- ↑ Safeguarding, health and safety and wellbeing
- ↑ Understanding and managing behaviour
- ↑ Observing and assessing children and young people
- ↑ Equality and diversity
- ↑ Special educational needs and disability
- ↑ English as an additional language
- ↑ Working with parents, carers and wider families
- ↑ Working with agencies and services that support children, families and carers
- ↑ Reflective practice and other forms of professional development



Core Skills:

- ↑ CS1: Communicate information clearly to engage children and young people, for example to stimulate discussion and to secure understanding
- ↑ CS2. Work with others to plan and provide activities to meet children and young people's needs
- ↑ CS3. Use formative and summative assessment to monitor children and students' progress to plan and shape educational opportunities
- ↑ CS4. How to assess and manage risks to your own and others' safety when planning activities

In the second year of the course, you will complete the following occupational specialism

- ↑ Early Years Educator

Entry requirements

At least 5 GCSE 9-4 including Maths and English. If you do not meet the entry criteria and would like to study this course, you will be enrolled onto T Level Foundation – Education and Early Years

Assessment

Core Component (Year 1)

- Two Written examinations externally assessed by NCFE

Paper A written examination- covering 50% of the core knowledge and core understanding- Wider context, supporting education, Safeguarding, health and safety and wellbeing, Behaviour, Parents, families and carers, Working with others

Paper B written examination- Child development, Observation and assessment, Reflective practice, Equality and diversity, Special educational needs and disability, English as an additional language

Both papers are 2 hours long and consist of Multiple-choice questions, short-answers and extended writing. 2 hours.

- Employer-set Project (ESP) 30% of the qualification. The four Core Skills are externally assessed via the Employer-Set Project.

Occupational specialism component (Year 2)

- Synoptic assignments :3 task-based assignments including observations.

In order to achieve a grade for the core component, students must have results for both sub-components (the core (written) examination and the employer set project). The combined results from these sub-components will be aggregated to form the overall core component grade (A*-E and U). If students fail to reach the minimum standard across all sub-components, they will receive a U grade. No overall grade will be issued for the core component until both sub-components have been attempted. The student is also required to successfully achieve a distinction/merit/pass grade in the occupational specialism component.

Progression

After completing the T-Level qualification you can progress into employment, higher education or apprenticeship.

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