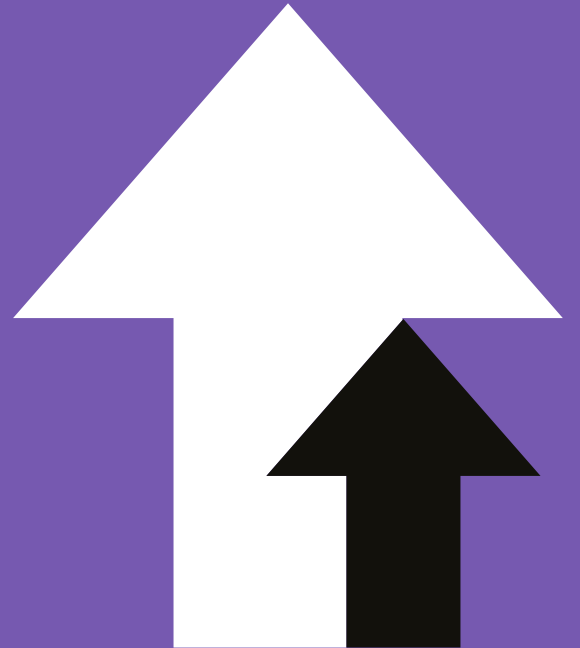


T LEVELS

***EDUCATION AND
CHILDCARE***



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WHAT IS A T LEVEL?

- New, **two year technical education courses** for 16-19 yr olds that will follow GCSEs
- Developed **in collaboration with employers**, and based on the same standards as apprenticeships
- Course includes **a mixture of classroom learning (80%) and ‘on-the-job’ experience (20%)** during an industry placement of a minimum of 45 days
- T Levels comprise **a mix of practical tasks, projects and exams**
- Progression options include **skilled employment, further study or a higher apprenticeship** (T Levels will attract UCAS points)
- More rigorous and substantial than most existing technical qualifications, with longer teaching time – **one T Level is comparable in size to 3 A levels.**

T LEVEL ROLLOUT

T Levels for 2020 delivery

T Levels for 2022 delivery

T Levels for 2021 delivery

T Levels for 2023 delivery

Around 46 colleges, schools and other providers will teach in 2020. A further 63 expect to teach in 2021 and recently announced the 88 who will deliver from 2022

| AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ANIMAL CARE ROUTE | BUSINESS AND ADMINISTRATIVE ROUTE | CATERING AND HOSPITALITY ROUTE | CONSTRUCTION | CREATIVE AND DESIGN ROUTE |
|--|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Agriculture, Land Management and Production | Human Resources | Catering | Building Services Engineering for Construction | Craft and Design |
| Animal Care and Management | Management and Administration | | Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction | Media, Broadcast and Production |
| | | | Onsite Construction | |

| DIGITAL ROUTE | EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE ROUTE | ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING ROUTE | HAIR AND BEAUTY ROUTE | HEALTH AND SCIENCE ROUTE | LEGAL, FINANCE & ACCOUNTING ROUTE |
|--|-------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Digital Business Services | Education and Childcare | Engineering and Manufacturing Design and Development | Hair, Beauty and Aesthetics | Health | Accounting |
| Digital Production, Design and Development | | Maintenance, Installation and Repair for Engineering and Manufacturing | | Healthcare Science | Finance |
| Digital Support and Services | | Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control | | Science | Legal |

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ONE AWARDING BODY HAS EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS TO DELIVER EACH T LEVEL TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION

The Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education lead the procurement of Awarding Organisations for each T Level



**Institute for Apprenticeships
& Technical Education**

In February 2019 **NCFE** was awarded the **contract to deliver the T Level in Education and Childcare**

ncfe.

NCFE published the qualification specification in April:

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/t-levels/approved-t-level-technical-qualifications/>

T LEVEL PROGRAMME

1800 Hrs over 2 years

TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION (TQ) 900-1400 GLH

CORE

- Up to half the qualification
- Knowledge and understanding of the concepts, theories and principles relevant to that sector
- Assessed through an external examination and a substantial project

OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALISM

- At least half of the qualification
- Knowledge and skills required to enter employment in that occupational specialism
- As close to full competence as possible
- English, maths and digital competence integrated where relevant

T LEVEL INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

- Between 315-420 hours
- Undertaken with an external employer
- Chance to apply skills and apply knowledge in a workplace environment
- Support for travel and subsistence costs but employers not expected to pay students

ENGLISH AND MATHS REQUIREMENTS

- Students required to achieve a level 2 in English and maths
- Either GCSE (grade 4 and above) or level 2 Functional Skills (pass)

ADDITIONAL MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

- Occupation-specific requirements included where possible if essential to enter employment

**EDUCATION AND
CHILDCARE T LEVEL**

**OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALISMS
(STUDENTS WILL CHOOSE ONE)**

**EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE
(DELIVERED FROM 2020)**

**EARLY YEARS EDUCATION AND
CHILDCARE**

ASSISTING TEACHING

TOTAL QUALIFICATION TIME, GUIDED LEARNING HOURS AND ASSESSMENT

| T Level Technical Qualification in Education and Childcare | |
|---|---------|
| GLH | TQT |
| Core Component | |
| 360 GLH | 394 TQT |
| Occupational Specialism Component – Early Years Educator | |
| 549 GLH | 598 TQT |
| Occupational Specialism Component – Assisting Teaching | |
| 556 GLH | 565 TQT |

Assessment method for Core Component:

paper A written examination
paper B written examination
employer-set project

Assessment method for Occupational Specialism Component:

Synoptic assignments

OUTLINE CONTENT DEVELOPED BY PANELS OF EMPLOYERS AND EDUCATION EXPERTS



- Employers from a range of organisations (including colleges, children’s centres, early years teams and consultants) have been involved in developing the Education and Childcare T Level
- This will ensure that content meets the needs of employers, who can be confident that students will leave their course with the right knowledge and skills
- **Licence to practice:** the T Level meets the Early Years Educator Criteria and has been recognised and approved by DfE. Holders of this qualification (only those that have taken the Early Years Educator Occupational Specialism) may be counted in EYFS staff: child ratios.

CORE CONTENT

The core content of the Education and Childcare T Level will provide students with an overview of childcare and education from birth to age 19, and covers the following areas:

- Wider Context
- Supporting Education
- Safeguarding, Health and Safety and Wellbeing
- Behaviour
- Parents, Families and Carers
- Working with Others
- Child Development
- Observation and Assessment
- Reflective Practice
- Equality and Diversity
- Special Educational Needs and Disability
- English as an Additional Language

OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALISMS CONTENT

Early Years Educator

- Support and promote children's play, development and early education
- Develop relationships with children to facilitate their development
- Plan, provide and review care, play and educational opportunities to enable children to progress
- Safeguard and promote the health, safety and wellbeing of children
- Work in partnership with colleagues, parents, carers and other professionals to support children's development

Assisting Teaching

- Support the class Teacher to enhance children's education, individually and in groups
- Plan, provide and review educational opportunities in collaboration with Teachers and other adults
- Safeguard and promote the health, safety and wellbeing of children and young people
- Recognise, adapt and respond to individual children's needs, including those with SEND, to support development and access to the curriculum

GRADING, CERTIFICATION AND UCAS TARIFF POINTS

- Students who complete their T Level will receive an overall grade of **pass, merit, distinction or distinction***. They will get a **nationally recognised certificate**.
- Students who do not pass all elements of their T Level will get a **T Level statement of achievement** which will show the elements they have completed

- **UCAS points** will be awarded to the overall T Level grade
- The tariff is based on an alignment of intended standards with other Level 3 qualifications, including A Levels

| UCAS tariff points | T Level overall grade | A level |
|--------------------|--|---------|
| 168 | Distinction* (A* on the core and distinction in the occupational specialism) | A*A*A* |
| 144 | Distinction | AAA |
| 120 | Merit | BBB |
| 96 | Pass (C or above on the core) | CCC |
| 72 | Pass (D or E on the core) | DDD |

INDUSTRY PLACEMENTS

- Minimum of **315 hours** (approx. 45 working days)
- **T Level provider** is responsible for finding the placement
- Can be **split across two employers** if needed
- Real environment – placement should be with an employer in **a real life working environment**
- **Extensive research and engagement** with stakeholders – and pilot programme tested different models
- **No legal requirement or expectation that T Level students will be paid** – but employers can choose to if they wish.
- Industry placements should be linked to the student's

PROGRESSION OPTIONS



WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE?

Communications campaign launched in October 2019 – activities such as social media and on demand TV advertising will widen and increase in line with T Level rollout

T Levels Website
www.tlevels.gov.uk



T Level Action Plans
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/t-level-action-plan>

Detailed T Level information on gov.uk
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/introduction-of-t-levels>

Qualification specification for Education and Childcare
ADD LINK

Industry placement case studies
<https://www.aoc.co.uk/teaching-and-learning/t-level/industry-placement-case-studies>

