



OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATES

Student profile and destinations

Student background

For students who at age 16 are:

Ready for level 2, are certain which occupation they want to work in.

Need to develop skills in classroom-based settings to be ready to progress into work in those occupations.

Need a strong focus on English and maths.



Which programme?

Occupational Pathway, plus
EEP (Employability,
Enrichment and Pastoral
activities).

Example Subjects

Culinary Skills
Early Years Practitioner
Hospitality



Programme Duration

2 years

Qualification size

Vary by subject;
between 540 and
700 GLH.

Destination

Employment in
relevant level 2
roles including as
an apprentice.





FOUNDATION CERTIFICATES

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Student background

For students who at age 16 are:

Ready for level 2 but wants to progress to level 3.
Needs more time to develop study skills in a classroom-based setting.

Wants a focus on English and maths and exposure to level 3.

Wants broad vocational knowledge, with subjects aligned to V Levels and T Levels to support clear progression pathways.



Which programme?

Further Study Pathway, plus
EEP (Employability,
Enrichment and Pastoral
activities).

Example Subjects

Digital Systems and Data
Education and Early Years



Programme Duration

1 year

Qualification size

240–300 GLH.

Destination

Level 3
programmes:
V Levels
T Levels
A Levels





Student background

For students who at age 16 are:

Ready for level 3.

Certain which sector they want to work in and want to specialise in a specific occupation.

Pursuing this further through a related HE course or employment (inc L4+ apps).

Which programme?

T Level (including TQ Core, TQ Occupational Specialism, Industry placement and EEP (Employability, Enrichment and Pastoral activities)).

Example Subjects

Education and Early Years
Design Surveying and Planning
Media, Broadcast and Production

Programme Duration

2 years

Qualification size

Existing T Levels 900 – 1400 GLH
New T Levels will be a maximum of 1080 GLH.

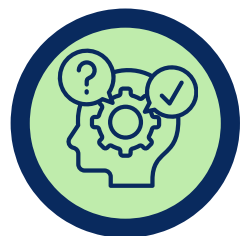
Destination

Employment in related roles including as an apprentice at level 4+ and related HE degrees.



T-LEVELS

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V LEVELS

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Student background

For students who at age 16 are:

Ready for level 3.

Has career interests in specific employment sector(s).

Wants to decide which to focus on as a next step; i.e. HE course or through a level 3 apprenticeship.

Which programme?

3 V Levels/ 2 V Levels + 1 A Level and EEP (Employability, Enrichment and Pastoral activities).

Example Subjects

Accounting and Finance
Digital Systems and Data
Education

Programme Duration

2 years

Qualification size

360 GLH.

Destination

Related HTQs, HE degrees and apprenticeships.





Student background

For students who at age 16 are:

Ready for level 3.

Wants to keep their options open.

Wants to pursue academic and career interests further at HE.



Which programme?

3 A Levels/ 2 A Levels + 1 V Level and EEP (Employability, Enrichment and Pastoral activities).

Example Subjects

Accounting and Finance
Digital Systems and Data
Education



Programme Duration

2 years

Qualification size

360 GLH.

Destination

Related HTQs, HE degrees and apprenticeships.



A LEVELS

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Student background

For students who at age 16 are:

Ready for work

Certain which level 2 and 3 occupations they want to work in.



Programme Duration

1-2 years

Qualification size

Not applicable (app 12-48 months)

Which programme?

Level 2 and 3 apprenticeship



Example Subjects

Business Administration
Carpentry
Electrical Engineering

Destination

Employment in related roles at standard pay (not apprentice wage) or higher level apprenticeship.



APPRENTICESHIP

Student profile and destinations