



**T-LEVELS**  
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

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GET TECHNICAL-GET REAL!



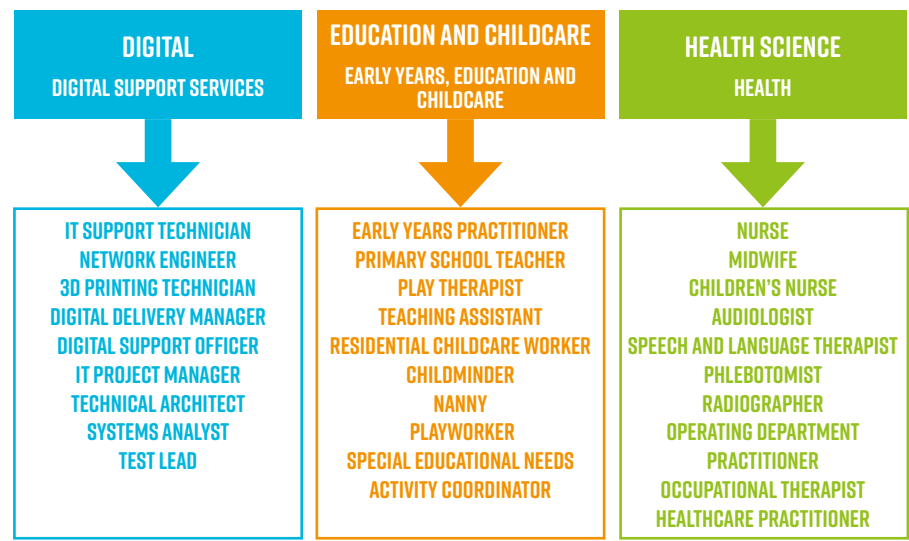
# WHAT ARE T LEVELS?

**T LEVELS ARE NEW COURSES WHICH FOLLOW GCSEs AND ARE EQUIVALENT TO 3 A LEVELS.**

T levels are new courses which follow GCSEs and are equivalent to 3 A levels. These 2-year courses, which launched September 2020, have been developed in collaboration with employers and businesses so that the content meets the needs of industry and prepares students for work, further training or study. T Levels offer students a mixture of classroom learning and 'on-the-job' experience during an industry placement of at least 315 hours (approximately 45 days)



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## WHY SHOULD I CHOOSE TO COMPLETE A T LEVEL?

**T LEVELS GIVE YOU THE CHANCE TO LEARN WHAT A REAL CAREER IS LIKE WHILE YOU CONTINUE YOUR STUDIES.**

Your industry placement will last for at least 45 days and allows you develop skills within your chosen career

You will get a nationally recognised and well- respected qualification to help you move into skilled employment or a higher apprenticeship

Your T Level will be worth UCAS points – a T Level Distinction\* is worth the same as 3 A levels at A\* – and will be recognised by universities and other education providers so you can choose to continue studying if you wish.

T Levels involve more classroom study than apprenticeships, which means you can experience an industry while you continue your studies.

**For Information, Advice and Guidance about T Levels or any of our courses please contact us on:**

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# WHAT ARE MY NEXT STEPS?

WE ARE PLANNING TO ROLLOUT T LEVELS FROM SEPTEMBER 2022 AND WILL BE IN TOUCH WITH SCHOOLS, EMPLOYERS, PARENTS AND STUDENTS WITH LOTS MORE INFORMATION READY FOR APPLICATIONS FROM SEPTEMBER 2021 ONWARDS. WE WILL UPDATE OUR WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA WITH UPDATES WHEN WE HAVE THEM.



## WHERE DO THEY FIT IN?

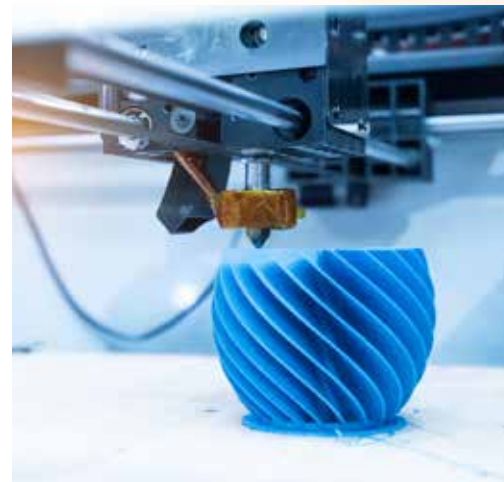
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<p><b>A LEVEL</b></p> <p>Subject based qualification delivered over 2 years by school sixth-form, sixth-form colleges and FE colleges (100% classroom based)</p>	<p><b>T LEVEL</b></p> <p>Classroom based course delivered over 2 years by an FE provider (80% in college and around 20% on the job)</p>	<p><b>APPRENTICESHIP</b></p> <p>Work based training for a minimum of 12 months (80% on the job and 20% off the job with an FE provider)</p>

**PURPOSE:** TO PREPARE STUDENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

The DfE are currently undertaking a review of other post-GCSE qualifications and will only retain those of high quality and with a distinct purpose.

**PURPOSE:** TO PREPARE STUDENTS FOR ENTRY INTO SKILLED EMPLOYMENT (INCLUDING HIGHER LEVEL APPRENTICESHIPS), EITHER IMMEDIATELY OR AFTER HIGHER LEVELS OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Both T levels and apprenticeships are based on the same occupational standards, developed by employers working with the institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education



# WHAT DO THEY LOOK LIKE?

## TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION (TQ)

Between 900 – 1400 hours

### CORE

20% - 50% of the total TQ time

- Knowledge and understanding of the concepts, theories and principles relevant to the T Level and the broader route
- Core skills relevant to the T Level
- Assessed through an external examination and a substantial employer-set project

### OCCUPATIONAL SPECIALISMS (MIN: 1 PER TQ)

50% - 80% of the total TQ time

- Knowledge, skills and behaviours required to achieve threshold competence in an occupational specialism
- Maths, English and digital skills integrated where they are necessary to achieve threshold competence
- Assessed synoptically through rigorous practical assignments

### T LEVEL INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

Between 315-420 hours

- Undertaken with an external employer
- Minimum of 45 days
- Students develop technical skills and apply their knowledge in a workplace environment
- Provider should pay for / contribute to travel and subsistence costs, if not covered by the employer

### MATHS AND ENGLISH REQUIREMENTS

- Students are expected to achieve a level 2 in maths and English. This can be achieved through GCSEs (grade 4 and above) or level 2 Functional Skills (pass)
- T Level panels are free to set higher maths and English requirements

### OTHER REQUIREMENTS SET BY T LEVEL PANELS

- Occupation-specific requirements included, where possible, if they are essential for skilled employment e.g. licence to practice qualification or professional registration

### EMPLOYABILITY, ENRICHMENT AND PASTORAL REQUIREMENTS

# WHAT ARE THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

## DIGITAL SUPPORT

A minimum of a grade 5 in Maths or Computer Science plus a grade 4 in English and a grade 4 in at least two other academic GCSE's along with a keen interest in technology.

## EARLY YEARS

A minimum of a grade 5 in English and a grade 4 in Maths and a grade 4 in at least two other academic GCSE's.

## HEALTH

A minimum of a grade 5 in Maths, English Language and Science (triple or trilogy) plus one additional grade 4 in an academic GCSE





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