



Qualification Chart / Table

Level of Qual	Entry Requirements	Academic Awards	Technical & vocational awards, T-Levels, Certificates and Diplomas	Apprenticeship Levels	Progression Route
8	Master's Degree or possibly Bachelor's Degree	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Doctorate (PhD) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professional Doctorate 		Further FE / HE or employment.
7	Bachelor's Degree (level 6) at appropriate grade.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master's Degree (MA, Msc, Mphil) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postgraduate certificate (PGCert) - Postgraduate diploma (PGDip) • BTEC Advanced Professional Award, Certificate and Diploma level 7 • NVQ7 	Degree Apprenticeship	Further FE / HE study or employment.
6	Relevant Level 3 qualification #	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University Degree (BA, BSc) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BTEC Advanced Professional Award, Certificate and Diploma level 6 • NVQ6 	Degree Apprenticeship	Further FE / HE study, an apprenticeship or employment.
5	Relevant Level 3 qualification #	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Degree (FdA, FsSc) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher National Diploma (HND) • NVQ5 	Higher Apprenticeship	Further FE / HE study, an apprenticeship or employment.
4	Relevant Level 3 qualification #	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Degree (FdA, FsSc) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Higher National Certificate (HNC) • NVQ4 	Higher Apprenticeship	Further FE / HE study, an apprenticeship or employment.
3	Relevant GCSE A*-C or 9-4 or relevant level 2 qualification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A minimum of 2 A levels • Max of 4 A levels • could include AS levels ** • International Baccalaureate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C&G Certificates and Diplomas • BTEC/OCR ^ Certificates, Diplomas, Extended Certificates & Diplomas or Subsidiary Diplomas • NVQ3 • T-Levels 	Advanced Apprenticeship	Further FE / HE study, an apprenticeship or employment.
2	Relevant GCSE D and above or 3, or relevant Level 1 qualification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCSEs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C&G Certificates and Diplomas • BTEC/OCR^ Awards, Certificates, Diplomas, Extended Certificates & Diplomas or Subsidiary Diplomas • NVQ2 • Transition Year for T Levels 	Intermediate Apprenticeship	Further study, an apprenticeship or employment.
1	No prior qualifications or relevant GCSE 2-1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First Awards, Diplomas or Certificates • C&G Certificates and Diplomas • Foundation courses • NVQ1 	Traineeship	Further study, an apprenticeship, traineeship or employment.
Entry	No prior qualifications		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry Level Awards, Certificates and Diplomas • Essential and Functional Skills at Entry Level • Skills for Life 	Traineeship	Further study, a traineeship or employment.



^ Other awarding bodies may also provide similar courses.
 ** AS level qualifications are now standalone taking one year.

(check prospectus for specific A level, T Level or technical & vocational requirements).
 Note: if you are aged 18 or under you must be working towards an accredited qualification.