

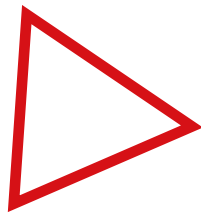


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SIXTH FORM
ACADEMY



T LEVEL

EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS



INTRODUCTION

This T level course is equivalent to 3 A Levels, blending placements in the workplace with classroom-based learning. The unique approach to T Level courses ensures you gain access to quality teaching and an incredible amount of real-life experience. Around 1/3 of your time will be based in the workplace.

WHAT IS EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS?

The T Level in Education and Early Years is a Level 3 qualification designed for students who are interested in working with children and young people in education, early years and childcare. The course develops an understanding of the UK education and childcare sector along with knowledge and skills in areas such as child development, safeguarding, supporting children with additional needs, health and safety, well-being, English as an additional language, communication, behaviour and educational practice. Students also develop the professional skills and behaviours needed to work effectively with children, young people, families and other professionals.

WHY STUDENTS CHOOSE THIS COURSE?

The T Level in Education and Early Years is ideal for students who enjoy working with children and want to develop practical skills alongside their academic knowledge.

The course provides opportunities to apply learning in real education and early years settings, helping students build confidence, communication skills,

teamwork and professional practice. Students will complete the Early Years Educator occupational specialism, allowing them to develop the skills and knowledge relevant to this career pathway.

WHAT STUDENTS CAN DO WITH THIS COURSE

Students who wish to become an Early Years Teacher can progress to university and work towards achieving Early Years Teacher Status (EYTS). Alternatively, students can pursue other higher education courses, such as Education, Childhood Studies or Social Work. Alternatively, students can progress to higher level apprenticeships.

HOW THIS COURSE IS ASSESSED?

Students are assessed through three main components: a core written examination, an Employer Set Project (ESP) and synoptic assignments. Core skills of literacy, numeracy and digital are embedded in these assessments. A key part of the T Level is the industry placement, which provides practical experience with an employer. This allows students to put their classroom learning into practice and develop the skills needed for employment.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You will need five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including GCSE English Language and GCSE Maths.
- You will also be required to complete a DBS check.

WHAT THE COURSE COVERS

The course covers the core technical qualification for T level education and early years and the occupational specialism Early Years Educator. Over the two years of the course you will study 7 elements which are assessed through either core examinations or within the employer set project which is linked to your work placement.

- Wider education sector
- Supporting education
- Safeguarding, equality and diversity and wellbeing
- Special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)
- Child development
- Working in partnership
- Professional practice

In addition, the employer set project will also assess the qualifications four core skills.

- Communicate information clearly to engage children and young people
- Work with others to plan and provide activities to meet children and young people's needs
- Use formative and summative assessment to monitor children and young people's progress to plan and shape educational opportunities
- Assess and manage risks to own and others' safety when planning activities

Finally, your occupational specialism Early Years Educator has five performance outcomes which are assessed through synoptic assessments and observations whilst on work placement.

- 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