



# T Levels

at Harrogate College

**HARROGATE  
COLLEGE**

**T-LEVELS**  
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION



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# What are T Levels?

T Levels are a technical qualification, equivalent to three A levels - they offer a different option for young people following their GCSEs. T Levels combine demanding, thorough academic study and practical work experience, making them the ideal springboard to university or into employment.

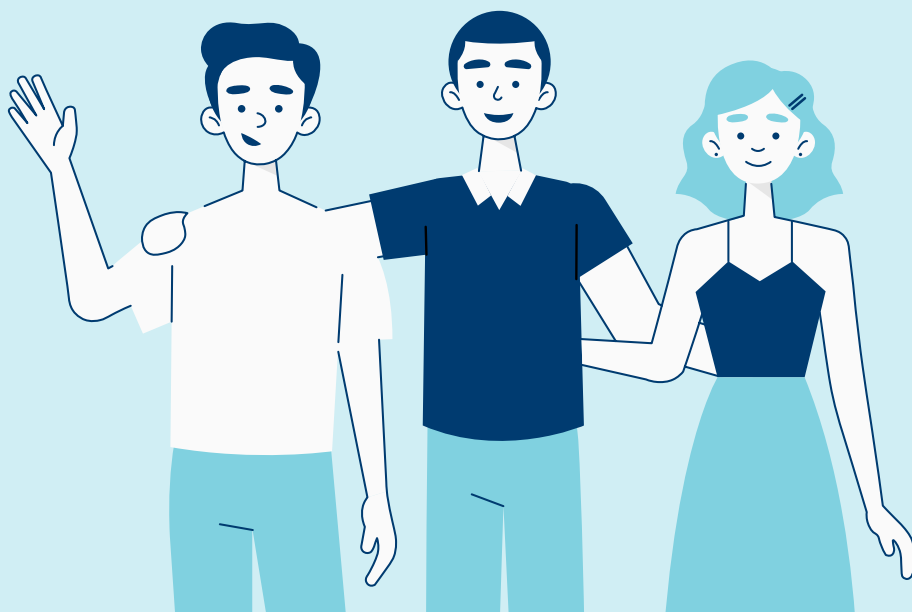
## **In brief:**

- > A T Level is a two year course
- > T Levels are equivalent to three A levels
- > Study is split: 80% classroom learning; 20% industry placement
- > Placements are at least 315 hours (approximately 45 days)
- > Students gain a nationally recognised qualification
- > T Levels can help students get into skilled employment, go to university or embark on a higher apprenticeship.



# Who are T Levels for?

- > T Levels are for post-GCSE students. The two year programmes start in Year 12 and finish in Year 13.
- > T Levels are suited to students who want to enhance their academic learning with practical, industry experience.
- > T Levels are an excellent option for students wanting to go to university but looking to enjoy a college environment and seeking an alternative to A levels.
- > T Levels are an ideal option for students who know which industry they want to work in.
- > T Levels can lead to skilled employment but they are also excellent preparation for further study, be it at university or through a higher apprenticeship.



# What's involved?

## 80% Classroom 20% Industry Placement

T Levels see students learn skills that employers seek through work placements, as well as knowledge through academic classroom learning. This unique approach to teaching ensures students gain relevant practical experience as well as the theoretical knowledge needed to succeed in their chosen industry.

### **How does a T Level differ from an apprenticeship?**

The key differences between T Levels and apprenticeships surround how students learn and the time commitment allocated to in-college learning.



**Apprenticeships:** students are in paid employment from the start of their apprenticeship and learn in college only 20% of the time.

**T Levels:** students spent 80% in college and 20% learning in an unpaid work placement.



# Where could a T Level lead?

On successful completion of a T Level the student receives a nationally recognised certificate. The knowledge and experience gained during the T Level sets students up for their next steps.

## **University**

T Levels can be converted to UCAS points and students can apply to an increasingly large number of universities.

## **Employment**

With the experience gained during their work placement, T Levels prepare students to go straight into employment.

## **Higher apprenticeship**

Some students may wish to build on the experience gained during their industry placement, and a higher apprenticeship is an excellent way to deepen knowledge and grow skills as they work.



# Our T Levels

At Harrogate College, we offer T Level qualifications in the following subject areas:

- > Business Management and Administration
- > Digital and IT
- > Education and Childcare
- > Surveying and Construction
- > Health

## **How do industry placements work?**

Placements will last a minimum of 315 hours but can last longer. Harrogate College benefits from strong relationships with local employers. We have links with over one hundred businesses through our Employer Network, ensuring our course content is relevant to today's markets.

Harrogate College supports employers offering industry placements, providing assistance with paperwork and the careful planning process, and support designing the placement.

## **What will they leave with?**

Students who successfully complete a T Level at Harrogate College will receive a nationally recognised certificate, and will have completed an industry placement which will ready them for higher education or employment.



## **What existing qualifications do they need to study T Levels?**

**Business Management and Administration** - Five GCSEs at grade 5 or above, including English and maths.

**Digital and IT** - Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths, and science.

**Education and Childcare** - Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths, and science.

**Surveying and Construction** - Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, plus grade 5 in English and maths.

**Health** - Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, maths, and science.

## **What if they don't have the right qualifications?**

Come and speak to us about T Levels and their options at our next open event. To book your place visit: [harrogate-college.ac.uk/contact/events](https://harrogate-college.ac.uk/contact/events)

Or contact us at: [contact@harrogate-college.ac.uk](mailto:contact@harrogate-college.ac.uk)



# Contact us

For further guidance or any enquiries, please email us at [contact@harrogate-college.ac.uk](mailto:contact@harrogate-college.ac.uk) or call **01423 879 466**

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Or speak to us at one of our upcoming open events:



11 October, 4-7pm  
22 November, 4-7pm



31 January, 4-7pm  
17 April, 4-7pm  
12 June, 4-7pm

You can find all the details regarding our events and book your place online at [harrogate-college.ac.uk/events](https://harrogate-college.ac.uk/events)



