



T Levels

at Harrogate College

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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 thorough academic study with practical work experience - students gain transferable skills, expert knowledge and learning that will get them hired, or ready for university. They're also industry-recognised, and they have been endorsed by over 200 businesses across Yorkshire.

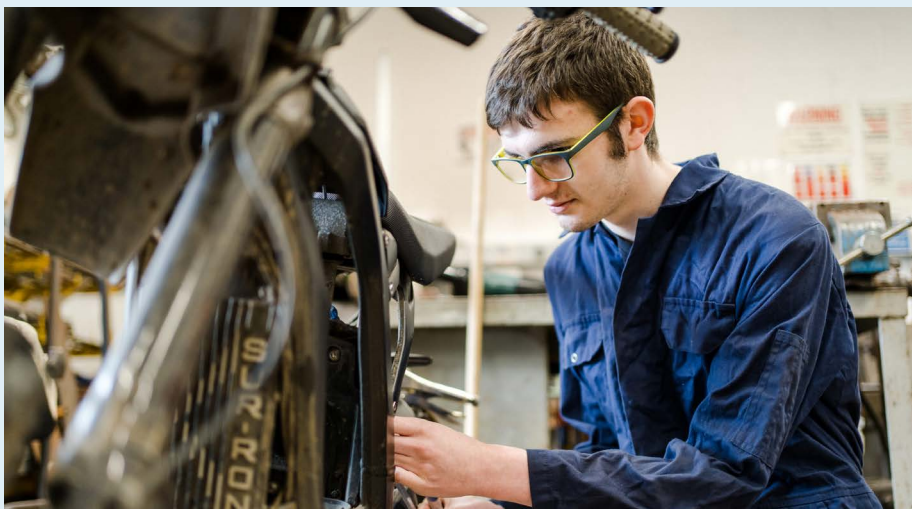
In brief:

- > Students study one T Level across two years
- > 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 are designed with input from employers, so that students can be confident that their experience will be valued by businesses in the future. A mix of learning styles helps put classroom knowledge into practice, with students applying relevant and useful skills during their work placement.

How does a T Level differ from an apprenticeship?

T Levels take a more classroom-based approach to learning, whereas apprentices have the majority of their training 'on the job'. Therefore T Levels may offer a more academic option than apprenticeships, whilst still providing the benefit of work experience. T Levels also provide UCAS points to access university courses.

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

T Levels: students spend 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

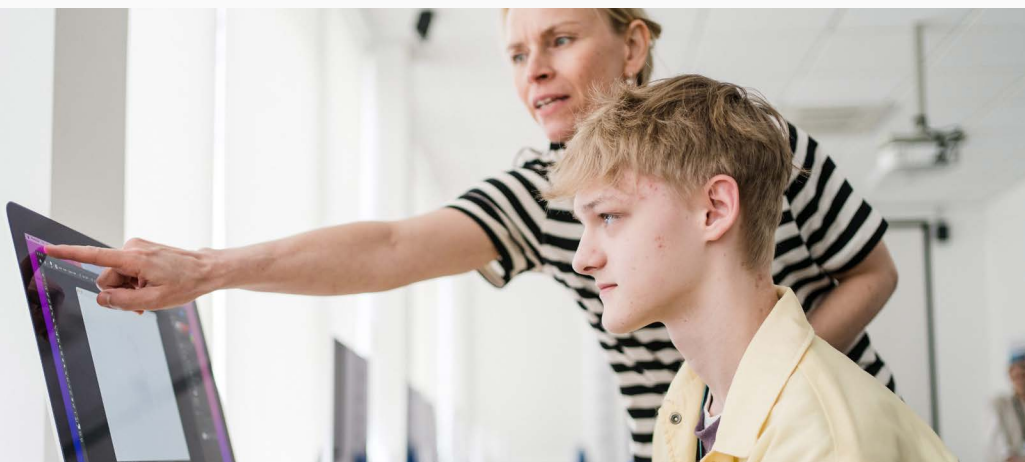
T Levels earn UCAS points, and are accepted by over 140 degree providers, including 17 Russell Group Universities.

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
- > Engineering
- > Health
- > Marketing (new for 2025)

How do industry placements work?

Placements will last a minimum of 315 hours but can last longer. Students work on a meaningful real-life project in their chosen industry, progressing their practical skills and gaining genuine experience.

Harrogate College has strong relationships with local businesses, connecting with over 100 companies through our Employers' Network. We provide all of our placement employers with support on planning and delivering their placement to benefit both the student and employer.

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.

Engineering - 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/events

Or contact us at: contact@harrogate-college.ac.uk

Contact us

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

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