

Level	Entry Requirements†	Apprenticeships	Academic	BTEC	T Levels	CACHE	NVQ & VRQ	Access to HE	HNC & HND	Degrees
Higher Education	8		Doctorate							Doctorate
	7		Postgraduate							Masters
	6	Degree	Graduate							Degree (BA, BSc)
	5	Higher	Undergraduate	HND			Level 5			
4	Varies by subject, qualification type and provider/university.			HNC		Level 4		HNC	HND	Foundation Degree
3	Min. five GCSEs at grade 4/C or above, including maths and English.	Advanced	A Levels A2 AS	Extended Diploma Subsidiary Diploma	T Levels	Diploma	Level 3	Diploma		
2	Min. five GCSEs at grade 3/D or above, including maths and English.	Intermediate	GCSE 9 (A*) – 4 (C)	Certificate / Diploma		Diploma	Level 2			
1	Min. two GCSEs at grade 2/E or above.	Traineeship	GCSE 3 (D) – 1 (G)	Certificate / Diploma		Diploma	Level 1			
E	Interview and reference required.	Supported Internship		Award / Certificate		Certificate				

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In some cases, you may be asked to complete a literacy and/or numeracy assessment to ensure the course is at the appropriate level for you.