

Applying for T Level Courses

T Levels – *what are they?*

The first T Levels started in September 2020 at selected schools and colleges in England and are gradually being rolled out to cover everything from agriculture to catering and engineering to science. They have been developed in collaboration with employers and education providers as an alternative to A levels, apprenticeships and other 16 to 19 courses. T Level qualifications focus on vocational skills to help students into skilled employment, higher study or apprenticeships.

Key Facts

- Two-year courses which follow GCSE study and are equivalent to 3 A Levels
- Approximately 80% of the course is classroom-based learning towards the completion of a technical qualification
- Approximately 20%, or a minimum of 315 hours (45 days) is unpaid, work-based learning through an industry placement
- Students will attend placement one/two days per week and employability skills are built into the T Level course programme
- The training provider is responsible for sourcing the work experience placement

What types of T Level courses are currently available?

The T Level courses currently on offer at selected schools and colleges include:

- Building Services Engineering for Construction
- Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction
- Digital Business Services
- Digital Production, Design and Development
- Digital Support Services
- Education and Childcare
- Health
- Healthcare Science
- Onsite Construction
- Science

From September 2022 the following subjects are being introduced:

- Accounting
- Design and Development for Engineering and Manufacturing
- Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control
- Finance
- Maintenance, Installation and Repair for Engineering and Manufacturing
- Management and Administration

From September 2023 the following subjects are due to be introduced:

- Agriculture, Land Management and Production
- Animal Care and Management
- Catering
- Craft and Design
- Hairdressing, Barbering and Beauty Therapy
- Media, Broadcast and Production
- Legal Services

Where can I study?

T Level courses are available at selected colleges, schools and other providers across England. It is important to research which T Levels each institution is offering. Below are examples of local institutions where you could apply for a T Level course:

[T Levels | York College](#)

[Introducing T Levels - Leeds City College](#)

[Harrogate College \(harrogate-college.ac.uk\)](http://harrogate-college.ac.uk)

T Level Application Process

All T Level applications are made directly to the college, school or training provider and are completed online. Whilst there is no set deadline to apply, it is important to do this early as courses do fill up. The college, school or provider will then arrange an interview to discuss your application. During the interview, they may also talk to you about your industry placement. The T Level provider will help you to secure a placement with an employer.

The careers department can help you with the application process. You may wish to apply to more than one T Level provider and/or to a Sixth Form or Apprenticeship. You can hold offers until you are ready to decide which is right for you.

What can a T Level Course lead to?

Following a T Level course, students can move onto work, training or further study. UCAS tariff points will be allocated to T Levels, to help those students wanting to progress onto university.

UCAS Tariff points	T Level overall grade
168	Distinction*
144	Distinction
120	Merit
96	Pass (C or above on the core)
72	Pass (D or E on the core)

Progression onto Higher Education courses

"It's important to remember that not all universities use tariff points in their entry requirements and offers, students should check the UCAS website and with universities directly about the qualifications they accept."

Source: [UCAS Tariff points allocated for T Levels | Undergraduate, Conservatoires | UCAS](#)

Please visit the following link which shows the institutions who have confirmed that they will consider T levels for entry onto at least one undergraduate degree course:

[Providers that have confirmed T Levels suitable for entry on one course - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

Further Research

[T Levels | The Next Level Qualification](#)

[Introduction of T Levels - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](#)

[What are T Levels - YouTube](#)

Please contact the Careers Department at careersstaff@staidans.co.uk if you would like individual information, advice and guidance on T Level applications

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