



EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT T LEVELS

**A HANDY GUIDE
FOR PARENTS**



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THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION



WHAT ARE T LEVELS?

T Levels are new, Government-backed, career focused qualifications for 16-to-19-year-olds who have just taken their GCSEs.

They are a full-time two-year course that has been designed by the Government with employers to help develop young people's personal and professional skills.

WHY SHOULD YOUR CHILD CHOOSE A T LEVEL?

EQUIVALENT TO 3 A-LEVELS

T Levels focus on vocational skills and are recognised by universities across the UK. This means that they are also worth the same UCAS points as three A Levels.

INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

Each T Level includes an in-depth industry placement where your child will get valuable experience in the workplace and have an insight into the working world.

80 % CLASSROOM, 20 % WORK

Your child will spend 80 % of their course in a classroom environment, gaining the academic skills employers look for. The other 20 % will be in an industry setting where your child will put those skills into action.

THE T LEVEL COURSES WE OFFER ARE:

- ↗ T-Level in Business: Management and Administration
- ↗ T Level in Design, Surveying & Planning for Construction
- ↗ T Level in Education and Early Years*
- ↗ T Level in Engineering: Design & Development
- ↗ T Level in Health: Adult Nursing*

Each course combines classroom study with a 45-day industry placement (that is to be taken over both years) to prepare your child for the world of work, or further study like a higher-level apprenticeship or university.

*With our Education and Early Years, and Healthcare T Levels, your child will need to complete 100 days of industry placement.



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WHAT WILL THEY LEARN?

Depending on your child's chosen course they will learn a range of academic skills that are designed to help them prepare for their future.

Throughout their classroom studies, they will learn theory that helps support them in their industry placement, collaborate on projects together and even be taught classes by guest lecturers and our partners.

INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

T Levels include an industry placement over two years, giving your child the opportunity to apply classroom knowledge in a real-world setting.

The industry placement is designed to help your child:

- ↗ Find out more about the career opportunities open to them
- ↗ Build essential skills for their future employment
- ↗ Put their skills and knowledge into practice and build contacts with employers

WHAT WILL THEY BE DOING IN PLACEMENT?

Tasks will depend on the chosen T Level route. For example:

- ↗ Business and Administration students might prepare reports using HR and finance data
- ↗ Engineering and Manufacturing students may evaluate designs or dismantle electrical systems

Tasks are varied, practical and challenging, ensuring students develop their skills while being closely supervised and supported throughout the process.

HOW DOES THE INDUSTRY PLACEMENT BENEFIT THEM?

The understanding of the real world of work is incredibly valuable. It can help your child make informed career choices, provide relevant work experience, and let your child experience a real working environment for themselves.

Along with the sector and subject-specific knowledge, they'll develop crucial workplace skills, such as timekeeping, organisation, and teamwork.

This also includes writing cover letters, submitting CVs and going through the interview process, giving them a head start in the hiring process and helping them stand out in a competitive job market.

WILL THEY GET PAID?

Employers aren't required to pay students for placements.

However, some employers may offer a basic wage or pay for travel expenses at their discretion.

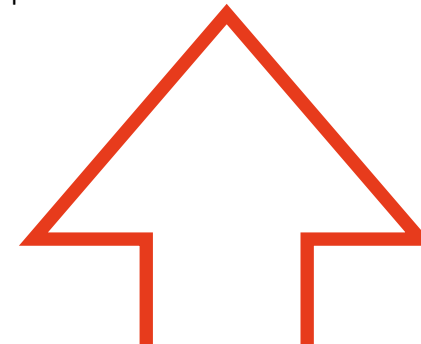
IF THEY ARE NOT ENJOYING IT – WHAT HAPPENS?

Placements are matched with our support and most students are usually very happy with their chosen employer.

Of course, this isn't always the case. If a placement isn't working, we will support your child to explore alternative options, making sure they get the most out of the experience.

WHAT IF MY CHILD CHOOSES A DIFFERENT CAREER PATH?

Even if your child decides to switch fields, they'll have developed transferable skills—such as teamwork, problem-solving, and communication—that are valuable in any industry.





WHAT CAN MY CHILD DO AFTER THEY COMPLETE A T LEVEL?

T Levels equip young people with the knowledge and skills they need for a successful future. In 2024, 74% of students who applied to university secured a place, while other T Level graduates moved into employment and higher apprenticeships.

Many universities recognise the value of T Levels, particularly for courses related to the student's chosen industry, as they combine academic learning with hands-on experience.



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For those not going to university, T Levels opens other promising routes.

Many T Level students go directly into employment, where their industry placement and skillset give them a competitive edge. Others opt for higher apprenticeships, which allow them to continue learning while earning in a professional setting.



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WHY CHOOSE BRADFORD COLLEGE?

OUR FACILITIES

We have been funded by the Government and have invested heavily in facilities for T level students. Bradford College has secured £1.29 million worth of funding into the following facilities:

- ↑ A collaborative business suite designed to look like a professional office environment
- ↑ A fully-equipped nursery with an outdoor play area, providing students with a realistic setting to work collaboratively and experience a real-world childcare environment
- ↑ A mock clinical ward offering a lifelike training space tailored for developing practical skills in a professional healthcare context

OUR EMPLOYERS



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“THE T LEVEL COURSE WAS PERFECT FOR ME AS IT COVERED EVERYTHING I WANTED TO LEARN. THE COLLEGE STOOD OUT WITH ITS GREAT FACILITIES, EMPLOYER TRIPS, AND SUPPORTIVE STAFF. THEY’VE EVEN HELPED ME SECURE A WORK PLACEMENT!”

ELLIE SEARBY
T LEVEL IN DESIGN, SURVEYING & PLANNING FOR CONSTRUCTION



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To study T Levels at Bradford College, your child will need 5 GCSE's including Maths and English Language at a grade 5 or above.

Students who have not already achieved their grades in Maths and/or English will be required to work towards them alongside their T Level.

FOUNDATION T LEVEL

The Foundation T Level is a one-year course. It's ideal for students who need extra support due to their grades, further needs or just more time to develop their Maths and/or English skills.

All our foundation year courses are mapped directly onto a T level, allowing your child to progress.



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