



COURSE AREAS

- A Levels
 - Animal Science
 - Apprenticeships
 - Art & Design
 - Business & Accounts
 - Catering & Hospitality
 - Computing, IT & Esports
 - Construction
 - Early Years & Education
 - Electrical
 - Engineering
 - English Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
 - English & Maths
 - Fashion & Textiles
- Foundation Learning
 - GCSEs
 - Hair & Beauty
 - Health & Social Care
 - Humanities & Social Sciences
 - Media, Digital & Photography
 - Motor Vehicle
 - Performing Arts
 - Science
 - Sport
 - Supported Learning/SEND
 - T Levels
 - Travel, Tourism & Aviation
 - Uniformed Services



LEVELS EXPLAINED

	IS THIS RIGHT FOR ME?	QUALIFICATION EXAMPLE	COMMON ENTRY REQUIREMENTS*
ENTRY LEVEL	Ideal if you don't have any existing qualifications You'll develop essential skills and knowledge.	• Entry Level diplomas, certificates and awards • Entry Level ESOL (English for speakers of other languages) • Entry Level essential skills	No formal qualifications required.
LEVEL 1	An introduction to a specific area.	• Level 1 diplomas • Level 1 short courses • BTEC Level 1 awards • Level 1 AAT certificates	Four or five GCSEs at grades 3-1, including English and maths at grades 2-3. Certain courses may require an initial assessment before you can start.
LEVEL 2	Build on a foundation of subject specific knowledge and skills.	• Level 2 Diplomas • Level 2 AAT certificates • Training Qualifications (TQUK) level 2 certificate • Intermediate Apprenticeships	Four GCSEs at grades 9-3. Either maths or English will need to be at grade 4. Some subjects will require a pass in maths or English, as well as a Level 1 or relevant experience.
LEVEL 3	Refine your specific skills and knowledge to prepare for higher level study or employment.	• A Levels • Advanced apprenticeships • Access to Higher Education • Level 3 diplomas • T Levels	Five GCSEs at grades 9-4 (including English and maths) or a level 2 qualification from a related course.

*Please note that entry requirements may differ depending on the subject, we recommend checking the specific entry requirements for your chosen programme. For example, some areas may require you to start at Level 1 regardless of your GCSE results and some programmes may require grades 5 and above.



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VOCATIONAL COURSES

What are they? A mix of classroom-based learning with practical skills to teach you how to do tasks related to the industry you want to work in. They have multiple entry points meaning you can study at a lower level and work your way up if you need to. Ideal for students who prefer a more practical approach to learning and want to gain skills directly applicable to their chosen career paths.

Assessment: Mostly coursework and practical projects with some exams.

Progression: Further study at university (you could stay on and do a higher education course at Nottingham College!), an apprenticeship or directly to a job in the sector.

Entry requirements: Vary by level to allow for different points of entry.

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range of vocational
courses in the region.**



T-LEVELS

What are they? A two-year course that focuses on technical skills in a specific trade or sector. One T Level is worth the same as three A Levels and accepted by most universities. T Level students spend approximately 80% of their time at college learning the knowledge and skills that employers need, and 20% of their time on an industry placement.

Assessment: Exams and employer-set projects.

Progression: A T Level Distinction* is worth the same as three A levels at A* so you can continue to university, enter employment or undertake an apprenticeship.

Entry requirements: Typically, five GCSEs grade 9 - 4 including English and maths. Some T Levels have higher or additional entry requirements.



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in industry standard facilities.**

A LEVELS

What are they? Academic subject-based qualifications studied across two years. Most students choose to study three A Level subjects, these can be broad to keep your career options open, or more specific if you already have a particular career in mind.

Assessment: A Levels are taught in the classroom like GCSEs and are assessed through end of year exams. So, if you perform well in exams, this could be a perfect option for you.

Progression: University, higher apprenticeships or employment.

Entry requirements: A minimum of five GCSEs grade 9 - 4 including English and maths, some subjects have additional entry requirements.

**97% of our
students
progress onto
further study
or employment.**



APPRENTICESHIPS

What are they? Study for a nationally recognised qualification, whilst receiving on-the-job training, improving your employability with industry experience and getting paid at the same time. An apprenticeship can take between one and five years to complete depending on the level of qualification and cover over 1,500 job roles in a wide range of industries.

How to apply: At Nottingham College, we offer apprenticeships in many different sectors, so you're sure to find the apprenticeship for you!

**Scan the QR code below to browse
our vacancies or get in touch with the
Apprenticeship Team below.**

**Our Apprenticeship
Team will be happy to
answer any questions
you have, you can
contact them in the
following ways:**



Tel: 0115 945 7260
Email: business@nottinghamcollege.ac.uk

HOW DO I DECIDE MY NEXT STEPS?

Now is the perfect time to start exploring careers, job opportunities, and courses - and there's a wealth of support and resources available to guide you.

A good place to start planning your post-16 options is to think of these three questions:

Where am I now?

What qualifications, skills, and interests do I have?

Where do I want to get to?

What would I like to be doing in five years' time?

How will I get there?

What course is likely to get me where I want to go?

You're not alone - there's plenty of support and guidance available to help you:

- Speak with your careers advisor in school.
- Start a conversation at home or with friends.
- Use online platforms and tools:
 - Unifrog
 - Morrisby
 - Career Pilot
 - UCAS
 - Prospects
 - Amazing Apprenticeships
- Attend one of our Open Evenings, you'll get the chance to speak with our course tutors and explore our campuses and fantastic facilities.

**If you're not sure
what you'd like to
do in the future,
studying a broad
subject or a
range of subjects
can give you the
flexibility to explore
your options and
decide later.**

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