



# ***T LEVELS EXPLAINED***



# **WHAT ARE T LEVELS?**

T Levels are industry-focused technical courses that combine classroom learning with real-world experience, ensuring you're fully prepared for your chosen career path.

They offer a unique blend of theoretical knowledge, practical skills, and valuable work placements, providing you with a competitive edge in today's job market.

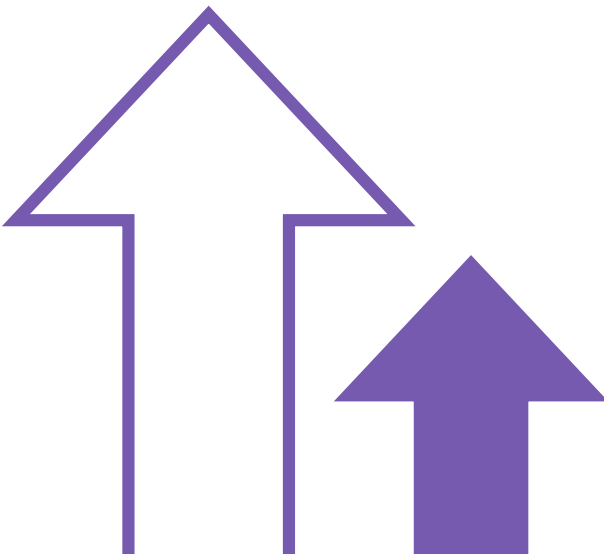
Equivalent to 3 A Levels, these 2-year qualifications are devised specifically with employers to ensure you learn relevant and up-to-date practices from the industry sector that interests you most.

# **T-LEVELS**

**THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION**

# ***WHY CHOOSE A T LEVEL AT WIRRAL MET?***

- // You get a high quality industry placement to include on your CV or UCAS application
- // You make connections and gain a valuable reference, to help you find a job once qualifying
- // You gain real insight into the industry you're training to enter - to give yourself a head start in knowing what type of job you will want to go into after finishing your course.
- // You will develop high quality technical skills
- // Benefit from focused individual support and personal development.



# LEVEL

# FIND YOUR NEXT

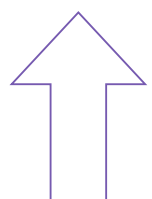
Whatever your passion,  
we have the T Level for you...

## **Available September 2023**

- // Digital Support Services
- // Digital Production, Design and Development
- // Onsite Construction – Carpentry and Joinery
- // Building Services Engineering for Construction
- // Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control – Fabrication and Welding
- // Education & Childcare
- // Health

## **\*NEW\* for September 2024**

- // Design and Development for Engineering and Manufacturing
- // Hairdressing, Barbering and Beauty Therapy
- // Media, Broadcast and Production
- // Science



# YOUR INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

**Having a substantial industry placement built into your course is a huge benefit to your studies.**

T Levels include a 315-hour (or 45 day) industry placement over the two-year course. This gives you the opportunity to gain essential workplace skills and experience which will help build your confidence and aspirations to step into a higher level of study or straight into your career.

In addition to an industry placement, you will also meet and visit different employers to hear about their businesses, and you may be set real-life challenges and project briefs to work on.

You will also be given the opportunity to learn about employees' career journeys and participate in mock interviews and meetings to build valuable communication skills.



“I picked a T level because it leads onto lots of opportunities. When you finish the course you can go to university, but you also have a qualification that could lead straight onto work.”

Callum, T Level in Onsite Construction – Carpentry and Joinery

# YOU'RE IN GOOD COMPANY!

Wirral Met has great links with employers built up over many years who support our student with work placements and industry collaboration. We work with over 500 employers across the Liverpool City Region including:

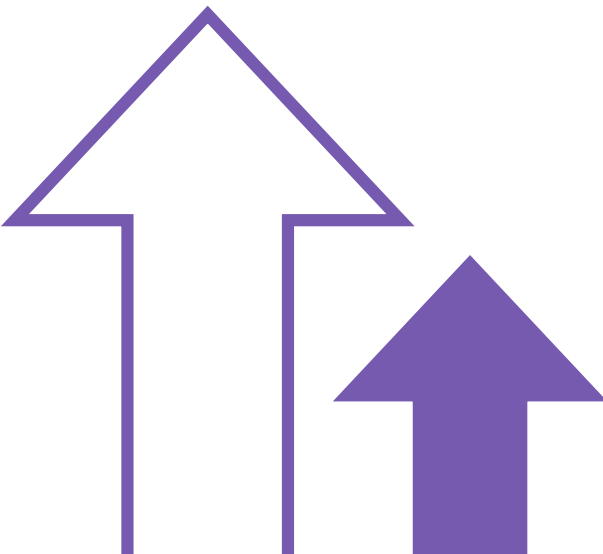


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# HOW ARE T LEVELS DIFFERENT TO OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

T Level	80% classroom	20% industry placement
Apprenticeship	20% classroom	80% employment
A Level	100% classroom	



# WHERE CAN I PROGRESS TO AFTER ACHIEVING MY T LEVEL?

- // Employment in a skilled occupation in your chosen career
- // A level 4, 5 or Degree Apprenticeship
- // Higher level study, such as a Higher National Certificate / Diploma, technical or professional qualification
- // University

## PROGRESSING TO UNIVERSITY

T Level grades are equivalent to UCAS points in the same way as A Level or BTEC courses.

T Level grade	A Level	UCAS tariff points
Distinction*	A*A*A*	168
Distinction	AAA	144
Merit	BBB	120
Pass (C or above on core component)	CCC	96
Pass (D or E on core component)	DDD	72



# T LEVEL TRANSITION PROGRAMMES

If you're not quite ready for a T Level or don't quite achieve the grades, there is the option of a one-year Transition Programme, which will then allow you to move on to a T Level the following year and gain a qualification at the same time.

The T Level Transition Programme is a **1-year post-GCSE course**. It will give you relevant knowledge, practical and study skills to excel in your subject.



“I picked the T Level transition because it's getting me ready for the upcoming T level qualification, I've got a year to prepare before doing it for the full two years.”

Alex, T Level Transition into Plumbing

# WHY CHOOSE WIRRAL MET?

- X We are a **WorldSkills UK Centre of Excellence**
- X **Specialist tutors** with years of industry experience
- X Five campuses with **world-class facilities**
- X **Outstanding support** for students
- X Great links with employers – we work with over **500 employers** across the Liverpool City Region
- X Progress on to **university level courses** in partnership with University of Chester, University of Liverpool, Edge Hill University and University of Central Lancashire (UCLan)



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# HEALTH

## // SPECIALISMS

- Supporting the adult nursing team
- Supporting the care of children and young people

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

A T Level in Health provides a strong foundation that will enable you to make a positive impact on people's lives. The healthcare sector is in constant need of skilled professionals, and by enrolling on this course, you will be well-positioned to contribute to this vital industry.

Throughout the course, you will study a range of subjects relevant to the healthcare industry under the core subject of Supporting Healthcare. In addition, you will have the opportunity to specialise in either Supporting the Adult Nursing Team or Supporting the Care of Children and Young People, depending on your interests and career goals.

Our dedicated and passionate teaching staff will support you every step of the way, providing guidance and expertise to help you succeed. You will have access to modern facilities and resources, where you can develop your practical skills.

You'll then put everything you've learnt into practice with a substantial industry placement in a healthcare setting of around 45 days. This is an amazing opportunity to work with an employer whilst you study, giving you invaluable experience that will boost your employability in the future.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession where career options might include becoming an ambulance care assistant, emergency care assistant, healthcare assistant, care worker, palliative care assistant or dental nurse. Alternatively, you could continue your studies with a higher apprenticeship or a degree leading on to careers such as a Nursing or Paramedics.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Health and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)

# SCIENCE

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

Are you passionate about science and eager to gain hands-on experience in a field that offers endless possibilities? A T Level in Science could be the perfect course for you!

Designed in collaboration with industry experts and employers, our T Level in Science provides a unique opportunity for students to develop practical skills and industry-relevant knowledge while preparing for future career success.

The core elements of the course will provide you with essential knowledge and skills to work in science or healthcare, including how the industry works, core scientific concepts and key regulations including managing information, health and safety and good scientific/clinical practice. You will cover fundamental principles of science across physics, biology and chemistry.

You will then have the opportunity to specialise in laboratory sciences.

As part of the T Level you'll undertake a substantial industry placement of around 45 days. Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession where career options might include becoming a food manufacturing inspector, a laboratory technician and a metrologist. Alternatively, you could continue your studies with a higher apprenticeship or a degree.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Science and to apply visit:

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# HAIRDRESSING, BARBERING AND BEAUTY THERAPY

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

This exciting course is designed to provide you with the essential skills, knowledge, and practical training required to succeed in the hairdressing, barbering, and beauty industry.

Our experienced instructors are passionate professionals who will guide you through the programme, sharing their knowledge and expertise. You will have access to well-equipped salons and spa facilities where you can practice and refine your skills on real clients, under the supervision of your tutors.

The core element of this T Level will boost your knowledge across a range of topics relevant to the sector, including the business context of the industry, an understanding of the client journey and safe working practices.

You will then have the opportunity to specialise in barbering, hairdressing or beauty therapy, depending on your future career goals.

As part of the T Level you'll complete an industry placement of around 45 days, giving you valuable, real world experience within a working salon.

At Wirral Met our students take part in a range of industry competitions and have the opportunity to attend and assist at major events including London Fashion Week, Farmageddon ?

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession as a barber, hairdresser, beauty therapist or a make-up artist or continue your studies with a higher apprenticeship.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Hairdressing, Barbering and Beauty Therapy and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)

# EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE

## // SPECIALISMS

- Early Years Education and Childcare
- Assisting Teaching

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

If want to pursue a career working in early years education, this T Level will get you off to a flying start!

In the UK, the pre-primary education industry is estimated to be worth approximately £4.3bn, growing steadily year on year meaning that skilled, caring and qualified professionals are in demand.

The T Level Education and Childcare qualification will equip you with the skills, knowledge and industry experience to start your journey in this rewarding sector.

The core element of this T Level will boost your knowledge in a range of topics such as child development, safeguarding and special educational needs; as well as your understanding of the role of families and support agencies. You'll also dive into the specifics of social interaction, behaviour and how language is acquired, as well as build your skills in becoming a reflective practitioner.

You will then get the opportunity to specialise at Wirral Met College in Early Years Education or Assisting Teaching

Then you'll be able to put everything into practice, with a substantial industry placement of a minimum of 21 weeks (750 hours). Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study, such as a school or nursery, and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession where career options might include becoming a nursery nurse, playworker, childminder or early years officer. Alternatively, you could continue your studies with a higher apprenticeship or a degree.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Education and Childcare and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)



# DIGITAL PRODUCTION, DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

If you have a passion for technology, and problem-solving, this T Level is the perfect pathway to a rewarding career in digital production, design, and development.

This programme has been designed with employers to meet the demands of the rapidly growing digital sector, where the demand for skilled digital professionals is at an all-time high.

Through a carefully structured curriculum, you will develop a strong understanding across a range of topics including how digital technologies impact business, planning digital projects and testing software, hardware and data.

You'll then put everything you've learnt into practice with a substantial 9-week industry placement within a digitally focused role. This will give you the opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience that will boost your employability in the future.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession such as a web developer, web designer, software developer, computer games tester, computer games developer, e-learning developer and user experience (UX) designer.

Students can also use this T Level to do a related higher-level apprenticeship or degree course.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Digital Production, Design and Development and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)

# DIGITAL SUPPORT SERVICES

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

Growth in the digital sector is nearly six times larger than growth across the UK economy as a whole, contributing more than £400 million to the UK economy per day.

The T Level in Digital Support Services will equip you with the skills, knowledge and industry experience to start your journey in this thriving sector.

The core element of a T Level in Digital Support Services will boost your knowledge in a range of topics such as digital infrastructure, support services and cyber security. It's a cutting edge subject, so you'll also learn about the potential security risks that organisations can face and how to analyse problems and identify solutions through computer based programmes.

Then you'll be able to put everything you learn into practice with a substantial industry placement of around 45 days. Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study, such as an IT company or department, and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship. Career options might include an Infrastructure Technician, Cyber Security or a role in IT support – speak to our careers advisors to find out more.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Digital Support and Services and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)





# MEDIA, BROADCAST AND PRODUCTION

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

Turn your love of media into an exciting career with a T Level in Media, Broadcast and Production.

A career in this dynamic and evolving industry will allow you to unleash your creativity and express yourself through various mediums. Whether it's producing films, creating engaging content, or working on television or radio broadcasts, you'll have the opportunity to bring stories to life and captivate audiences.

During this two-year programme, designed in collaboration with employers, you'll study a broad range of topics including audience and consumer needs, research skills and cultural context within the industry.

You'll then specialise in content creation and production, giving you the skills you need to build your future career.

As part of the T Level you'll complete an industry placement of around 45 days, giving you valuable, hands-on experience within the world of media, broadcast and production that will set you apart from the crowd.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship. Career options might include a TV or Film production assistant, video editor, TV or film director, stagehand, radio broadcast assistant, content producer or media researcher.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Media, Broadcast and Production and to apply visit:

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# ONSITE CONSTRUCTION - Carpentry and Joinery

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

If you're interested in a career in construction, our Onsite Construction T Level offers the opportunity for you to develop the skills, knowledge, and hands-on experience required to excel in this industry.

This qualification has been co-developed and designed with construction industry partners and will be delivered by tutors and industry experts. The course is delivered in our purpose built, industry standard construction facility at our Wirral Waters campus, where you'll regularly interact with people from the construction industry, both inside and outside of the classroom and workshop.

The core element of this T Level will boost your knowledge in a range of topics such as design principles, project management and health and safety. You'll also learn about the commercial side of construction, including stakeholder management, business structures and entrepreneurship.

As the construction industry is always evolving, you'll dive into the world of digital technology,

innovation and sustainability, to understand how the industry is shaped in the future.

You'll then specialise in carpentry and joinery – building the skills you need for your future job.

You'll then have the opportunity to put everything into practice, with a substantial industry placement of around 45 days. Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study, such as a construction or building company, and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship. Career options might include carpenter, shopfitter, joiner, site agent or project manager.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Onsite Construction and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](https://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)

# BUILDING SERVICES ENGINEERING FOR CONSTRUCTION

## // SPECIALISMS

- Electrotechnical Engineering
- Plumbing and Heating Engineering

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

Demand for construction workers is expected to remain high over the next few years with almost 225,000 extra workers required by 2027 to meet UK construction demand\*. This T Level will equip you with the valuable skills that employers are searching for, building the foundations for a lucrative career in this thriving industry.

The course is delivered in our purpose built, industry standard construction facility at our Wirral Waters campus, where you'll regularly interact with people from the construction industry, both inside and outside of the classroom and workshop.

The core element of this T Level will enable you to develop a general understanding of construction covering a range of topics such as health and safety, construction methods and digital engineering techniques. You will also learn about topics specific to building services engineering including building technology principles and building services engineering systems.

You'll then get the opportunity to choose your specialism in either Electrotechnical Engineering or Plumbing & Heating Engineering depending on your interests and career goals.

As part of the T Level you'll undertake a substantial industry placement of around 45 days. Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study, such as a construction or building company, and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship. Career options might include electrician, plumber, onsite agent, project lead, construction manager (onsite) and quality control.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Building Services Engineering for Construction and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)

# ENGINEERING, MANUFACTURING, PROCESSING AND CONTROL - Fabrication and Welding Technologies

## // SPECIALISMS

- Fabrication and welding technologies

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

This T Level will allow you to gain an understanding of what is needed to work within the thriving engineering sector and develop practical skills and experience that will help you secure future employment.

The core element of this T Level includes a broad range of issues relevant to the sector including essential mathematics for engineering and manufacturing, materials and their properties and business, commercial and financial awareness.

You'll then specialise in fabrication and welding technologies - building the skills you need for your future job.

As part of the T Level you'll undertake a substantial industry placement of around 45 days. Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship. Career options might include mechanical engineering technician, engineering construction craftworker, materials technician, blacksmith, non-destructive testing technician, materials technician or a welder.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)





# DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT FOR ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING

## // SPECIALISMS

- Mechanical Engineering

## // ABOUT THE COURSE

This T Level will equip you with the skills and experience employers are looking for in the innovative sectors of CAD and 3D printing. This qualification has been co-developed and designed with industry partners and will be delivered by tutors and industry experts.

During the course you will develop an understanding of a broad range of issues relevant to the sector including essential mathematics for engineering and manufacturing, materials and their properties and business, commercial and financial awareness.

You will specialise in Mechanical Engineering Design & Development – producing engineering designs, drawings, developing prototypes and producing finished components, to build the skills you need for your future job.

As part of the T Level you'll undertake a substantial industry placement of around 45 days. Giving you an amazing opportunity to work with an employer while you study and gain invaluable experience as well as key skills that employers are looking for.

## // WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?

Following a T Level you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship. Career options might include CAD technician, 3D Printing technician, mechanical design engineer, mechanical research and development engineer.

## // WHAT'S NEXT?

To discover more about the T Level in Design and Development for Engineering and Manufacturing and to apply visit: [wmc.ac.uk/tlevels](http://wmc.ac.uk/tlevels)

# **WHAT'S NEXT?**

## ***Visit our open day***

**// Wednesday 4 October 2023**

4:30pm-7.00pm

**// Wednesday 10 January 2024**

4.30pm-7.00pm

**// Wednesday 13 March 2024**

4.30pm-7.00pm

Register your place online  
[wmc.ac.uk/events](https://wmc.ac.uk/events)





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Courses operate subject to sufficient numbers and places are allocated on a first come first served basis. The College's liability will extend only to the reimbursement of fees paid if the course is closed. If a student decides to withdraw from a course, the fees refundable are dependent on the length of course and the numbers of weeks into the course the student withdraws, unless a medical certificate is formally produced.