

What is a T Level?

Introduction

T Levels are two-year courses designed for students aged 16-18 in England. They were introduced in September 2020 and are equivalent to three A Levels[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#).

Purpose

T Levels aim to provide a mix of classroom learning and practical experience. They are developed in collaboration with employers to ensure the content meets industry needs and prepares students for skilled employment, apprenticeships, or further study[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#).

Structure

- **Duration:** 2 years
- **Components:**
 - **Classroom Learning:** 80% of the course, covering core subjects like English, Maths, Science, and Digital skills.
 - **Industry Placement:** 20% of the course, involving at least 315 hours (approximately 45 days) of work experience[\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#).

Benefits

- **Practical Experience:** Gain hands-on experience in a real work environment.
- **Industry-Relevant Skills:** Learn skills that are directly applicable to your chosen career.
- **UCAS Points:** The highest T Level grade (starred distinction) is equivalent to three A* grades at A Level, providing 168 UCAS points[\[2\]](#).

Subjects

T Levels cover a wide range of subjects, including:

- Digital Production, Design, and Development
- Education and Childcare
- Health
- Science
- Engineering and Manufacturing
- Business and Administration[\[1\]](#).

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How to Apply

T Levels are available at selected colleges, schools, and other providers across England. You can check the list of providers and the courses they offer on the official T Levels website[\[1\]](#).

Conclusion

T Levels offer a valuable alternative to A Levels and apprenticeships, providing a balanced mix of academic and practical learning. They are ideal for students who want to gain industry-specific skills and experience while still keeping their options open for further education or employment.

I hope this guide helps! If you have any more questions about T Levels, feel free to ask.

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References

[1] [Introduction of T Levels - GOV.UK](#)

[2] [T Level - Wikipedia](#)