

Technical and Higher Technical Education Options in the UK

| England, Northern Ireland and Wales | | | Scotland | | |
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| Vocational & technical qualification | Level | Other equivalent qualification levels | Vocational & technical qualification | Level | Other equivalent qualification levels |
| NVQ 7 | 7 | Masters degree | SQV 5 | 11 | Master's degree |
| NVQ 6 | 6 | Bachelor's degree or Honours degree (Wales) | | 10 | Bachelor's degree |
| | | | SQV 4 | 9 | Bachelor's/Ordinary degree |
| Higher National Diploma (HND) | 5 | Foundation degree and above | Higher National Diploma (HNC), SQV 4 | 8 | |
| Higher National Certification (HNC) | 4 | Foundation degree and above | Higher National Certification (HNC), SQV 3 | 7 | Scottish baccalaureate, Advanced Higher Award |
| T Level*, 3 A Levels, Btec, NVQ 3 | 3 | AS and A level, Advanced Skills, Baccalaureate Wales | SQV 3 | 6 | Higher Award, National Progression Award, National Certificate |
| NVQ 2 | 2 | GCSE grade 9-4/A*-C, Essential Skills qualification (NI), Welsh baccalaureate, National SCC, Essential Skills Wales Qualifications | SQV 2 | 5 | National 5, National Certificate Award |

* T Levels are a newer qualification. One T Level is equivalent to three A Levels and they include a 45 day placement as part of your study.

Apprenticeship Levels and Equivalent Education Levels in the UK

| England, Northern Ireland and Wales | | | Scotland | | |
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| Apprenticeship Type | Level | Other equivalent qualification levels | Apprenticeship Type | Level | Other equivalent qualification levels |
| Intermediate Apprenticeship | 2 | GCSE grade 9-4/A*-C, Essential Skills qualification (NI), Welsh baccalaureate, National SCC, Essential Skills Wales Qualifications | Modern Apprenticeship Foundation Apprenticeship completed in school alongside other subjects | 5 | National 5, National Certificate |
| Advanced Apprenticeship | 3 | AS and A level, Advanced Skills, Baccalaureate Wales, GCE (NI) | Modern Apprenticeship Foundation Apprenticeship | 6 | Higher Award, National Progression Award, National Certificate |
| Higher Apprenticeship | 4 | Foundation Degree & above | Modern Apprenticeship | 7 | Scottish Baccalaureate, Advanced Higher Award |
| Higher Apprenticeship | 5 | Foundation Degree & above | Technical Apprenticeship, Higher Apprenticeship | 8 | |
| Degree Apprenticeship, Higher Apprenticeship | 6 | Bachelor's Degree, Honours Degree (Wales) | Graduate Apprenticeship, Technical Apprenticeship | 9 | Bachelor's/Ordinary Degree |
| Degree Apprenticeship, Higher Apprenticeship | 7 | Master's Degree | Professional Apprenticeship, Graduate Apprenticeship | 11 | Master's Degree |