

Childcare and Teacher Training

Childcare: T Level Technical Qualification in Education and Early Years (Level 3) Full-time

In Brief

Start Date / Duration

This course will start in September and will run for two years.

Entry Requirements

Five GCSEs at grades 4 or above including GCSE English and Maths or Level 2 Early Years and Education plus GCSE English and Maths at grade 4 or equivalent Level 2 qualification.

You will achieve

You will achieve a Level 3 Education and Early Years T Level.

Course Overview

T Levels are courses for 16 to 18 year olds that are studied at the same level as doing A Levels. They are for young people who prefer a more technical education when they come to College, rather than following a purely academic pathway, or a work-based apprenticeship.

T Levels provide a mixture of:

- Technical knowledge and practical skills specific to the student's chosen industry or occupation.
- An industry placement of at least 45 days in their chosen industry or occupation. Watch this short Government video to hear why students find completing industry placements so beneficial [<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J4hdOsUbYF0>].
- Relevant Maths, English and digital skills.
- Common workplace skills.

Students who achieve a T Level will get a nationally recognised certificate which employers will use as evidence in their recruitment.

T Levels will offer students a mixture of classroom or workshop-based learning and 'on-the-job' experience.

Please visit our T Level [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/courses/all-about-t-levels/>] page for more information.

Course Content

This course is ideal for you if you wish to pursue a career in the Childcare industry. The purpose of the T Level (Technical qualification), is to ensure you have the knowledge and skills needed to progress into skilled employment, higher-level technical training or a university programme within the education sector.

Studying the Education and Childcare T Level will enable you to develop core skills and knowledge such as working with others, observation and child development whilst taking part in an industry placement of at least 45 days and improving on your Maths, English and digital skills.

As part of this course you will study a variety of topics including:

- Wider context of the sector
- Supporting education
- Safeguarding and wellbeing
- Health and safety
- Behaviour
- Observation and assessment
- Equality and diversity
- Special Educational Needs and disabilities
- English as an additional language
- Parents, families and carers
- Reflective practice

At your interview, you will be asked about any work or voluntary experience you have within the Childcare and what kind of placement you would like.

How will I be assessed?

Core Component:

- Paper A written examination
- Paper B written examination
- Employer set project

In order to achieve a grade for Core Components, students must have results for both sub-components (the core written (examinations) and the employer set project).

The combined results for these sub-components will be aggregated to form the overall grade A*-E and U.

Occupational Specialism Component:

- Synoptic Assignments

You are also required to successfully achieve a Distinction/Merit/Pass grade in one of the Occupational Specialism Components.

In addition, you must complete an industry placement, lasting a minimum of 315 hours.

What Equipment Will I Need?

- Current DBS enhanced disclosure certificate. You require a DBS certificate before starting the course. You will pay for this within your Childcare package, which will be arranged at enrolment.
- Text books recommended by your tutor.
- Willingness to travel to your placements (this may on occasion involve two bus journeys).
- Stationery.
- A Barnsley College polo shirt will be required as uniform for work placement.

Where will I study?

Old Mill Lane campus
Church Street
Barnsley
S70 2AX

What can I do next?

Upon completion, you could progress to the following, depending on your chosen Occupational Specialism:

- Employment
- Higher Education
- Degree Apprenticeship

See what careers are available in the Childcare

[<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2023/10/Childcare-careers-2023-24.pdf>] sector. Use our online careers tool, Career Coach [<https://barnsley.lightcastcc.com/?radius=®ion=Barnsley>], to find out what your next steps could be.

How much does the course cost?

16 – 18 year olds

Full-time Barnsley College students aged 16-18 years old do not have to pay tuition fees.

Financial support

You may be eligible for assistance with expenses such as travel, books, equipment and childcare. For further information please contact the Student Services Team on +44 (0)1226 216 267.

Extra information

Contact the Information Unit

For further information please contact our friendly Information Team on +44 (0)1226 216 123 or

email info@barnsley.ac.uk [<mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk>]

Want to join Barnsley Sports Academy and the Sports Village?

Barnsley College has a range of sports opportunities for all students to take part in, gain professional training and compete nationally and internationally. We also have a state-of-the-art fitness village, Honeywell Sports Village [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/shops-services/honeywell-sports-village/>] where students can make use of our fitness suite, spinning studio and classes for competitive rates. You don't have to be studying sport to get involved in the Sports Academy [<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/barnsley-sports-academy/>].

Additional Learning Support

Our Additional Learning Support team can provide you with the support you need. Please contact them on +44 (0)1226 216 769.

English and Maths

Having good English and Maths qualifications are important for most careers and we want to give you the help you need to succeed.

If you are aged 16 – 19 and don't already have a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths they will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards higher grades in English and Maths we can help you do that too.

Need a higher level Maths qualification? We offer a [Level 3 Mathematical Studies \(Core Maths\)](#).

This can be added to your study programme.

If you need any further information, please contact our friendly [Information Team](#).

Disclaimer

Please note we reserve the right to change details without notice. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

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Call us on **01226 216 123**