

Digital Support Services

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Welcome

Welcome to Newbury College, your first choice for technical, career-focussed training.

As you look to start the next stage of your education, we are here to support you. We understand the transition from school can be daunting and our highly trained staff will guide you through the application and enrolment process, to get you on the right track to the career you want.

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Why Newbury College?



PROGRESSION-FOCUSED

- Subjects based on your chosen career
- Career-focused objectives



SKILLS-BASED

- Fewer exams
- Different assessment methods
- Practical subjects

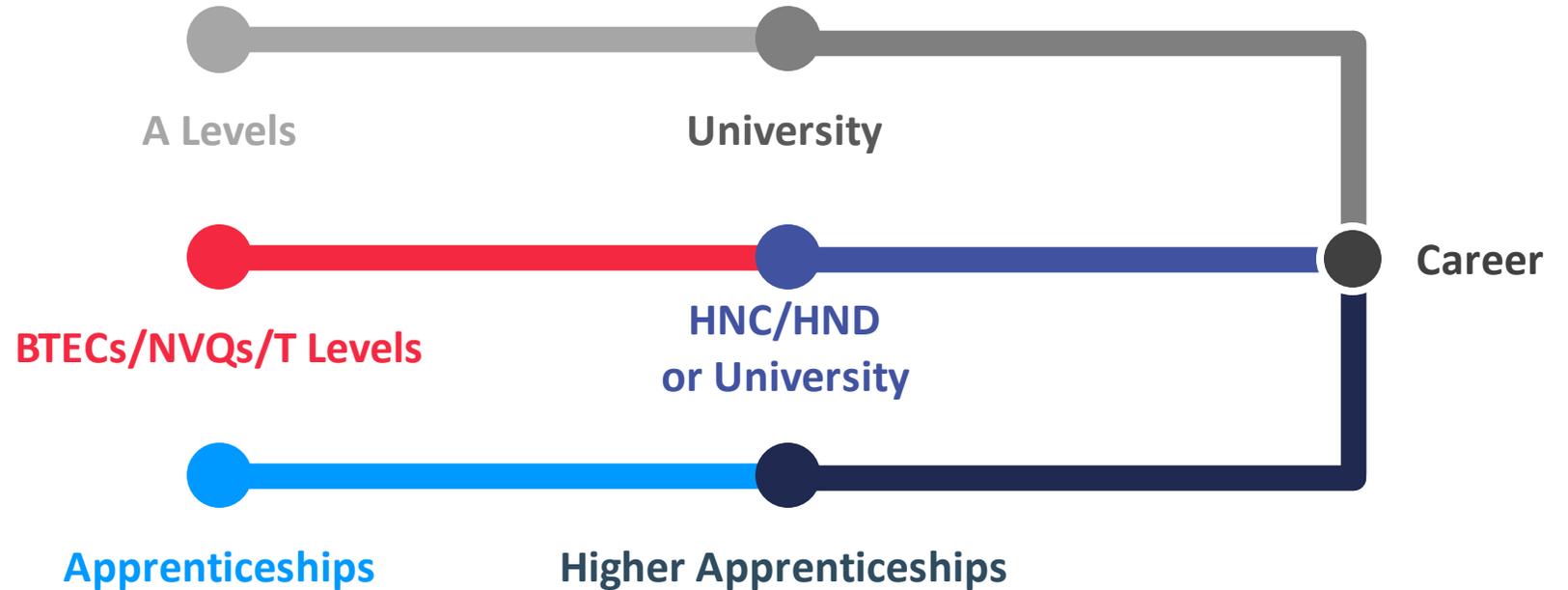


EMPLOYER-LED

- Industry placements with excellent employers
- Curriculum influenced by businesses

College Progression vs Sixth Form

- ✓ Faster route to your chosen career
- ✓ More options available
- ✓ Lower cost and debt-free Higher Education*



Your study programme

Full-time study programmes are assessed in a variety of ways, rather than just through the traditional essay and exam methods, this can be beneficial to students who prefer to be assessed differently and demonstrate their skills in other ways.

VOCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Career-focused qualifications that meet needs of employers and job sectors like **BTECs**, **NVQs** and **T Levels**.

Your **Academic Tutorial** will help you to set targets and monitor your progress.

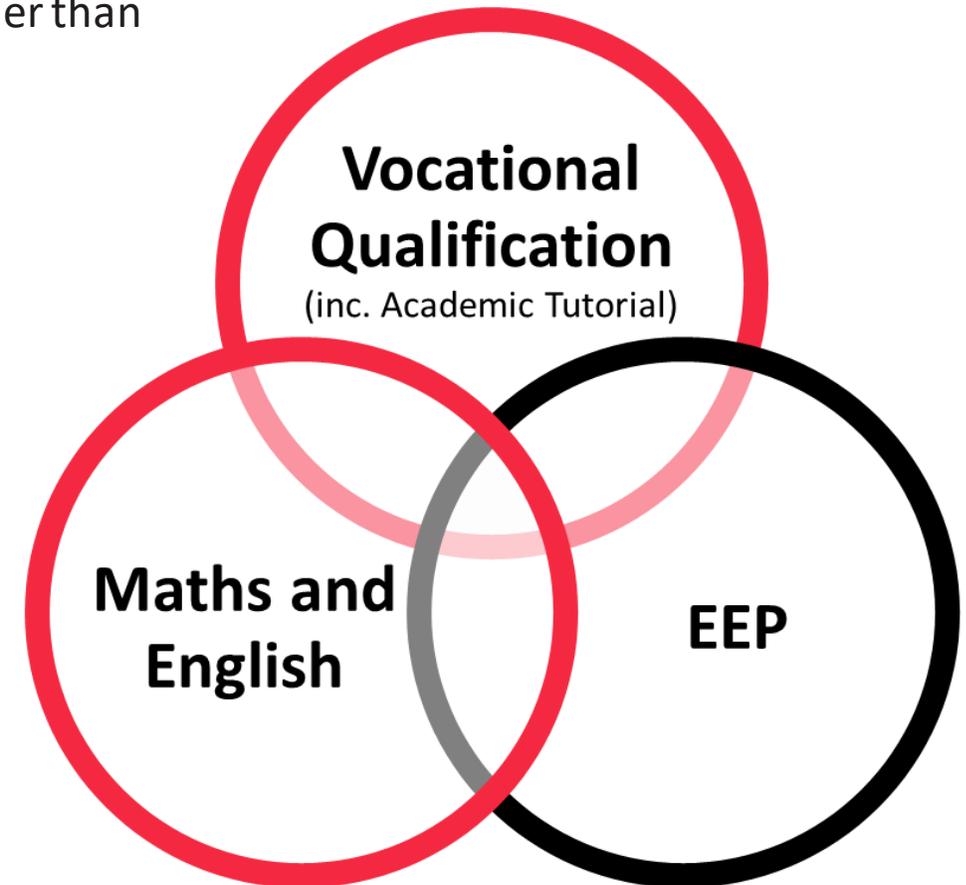
MATHS AND ENGLISH

You may need to resit your English and/or maths qualifications. We will support you in achieving your target grade.

EEP

EEP stands for **Employment**, **Enrichment** and **Pastoral**.

It provides you with a wide range of opportunities to enrich your learning and professional development beyond your main subject of interest. These could include sports, clubs and activities, trips and visits, work placement and work-related activity, tutorial sessions and guest speakers.



Placements and Partnerships

EMPLOYABILITY

A special WRA programme built into your course to learn the skills for the workplace including:

- CV and interview preparation
- vacancy and application writing
- trips and employer visits
- employer supported projects and activities
- apprenticeship and progression opportunities

WORK PLACEMENTS

From 2 to 9 weeks in length, these often lead to jobs and part-time work alongside your course.



Level 2 – T-Level Transition Pathway

The aim of the T-level Transition Pathway is to prepare you fully for the next step (a full T-Level), which could be one of the following 3 – Digital, Business or Media.

The programme consists of an Award qualification based around Digital Promotion for a business. You will complete 3 Units and then have an employer set project to complete where you will demonstrate the knowledge learnt from the Units.

Alongside this you will be expected to complete some work experience and your English and Maths as required to the level expected to progress onto Level 3.

Level 3 Digital Support Services T-Level



The Digital Support Services T-Level is a two-year study programme developed by NCFE and Newbury College in collaboration with Local employers to ensure you are ready for the challenge of work.

Within the programme you will complete examinations, externally assessed projects along with practical work.

Also, you will be expected to go out to industry to glean vital knowledge by completing a minimum of 45 day's work experience.

We will work closely with you to ensure that you are ready for the challenges expected.

Progression from this programme is to either a higher-level qualification be it a Degree Apprenticeship, HE with us within the UCN or another provider or into work.

Employers are constantly looking for people like you to join them where they will challenge the next generation of Digital workers by enhancing skills that have been honed within the T-Level programme.

Good Luck

Uniform and equipment

There is no special uniform needed for this course. All equipment and resources required for the course are supplied. However it is recommended that you should have your own IT kit, such as computer and screw driver at home etc.

A DSLR with video capability, a tripod and memory card would be very useful for Level 2.

The minimum suggestion for this course is a memory stick of about 4GB or more that will be helpful to you to back up your work which are quite cheap and easily available.



Visits and trips

During your study we also organise learning trips/visit to places such as skills shows, science museum or learning visits/seminars. Through these events you have opportunity to meet professionals in your area of interest.



Assessment

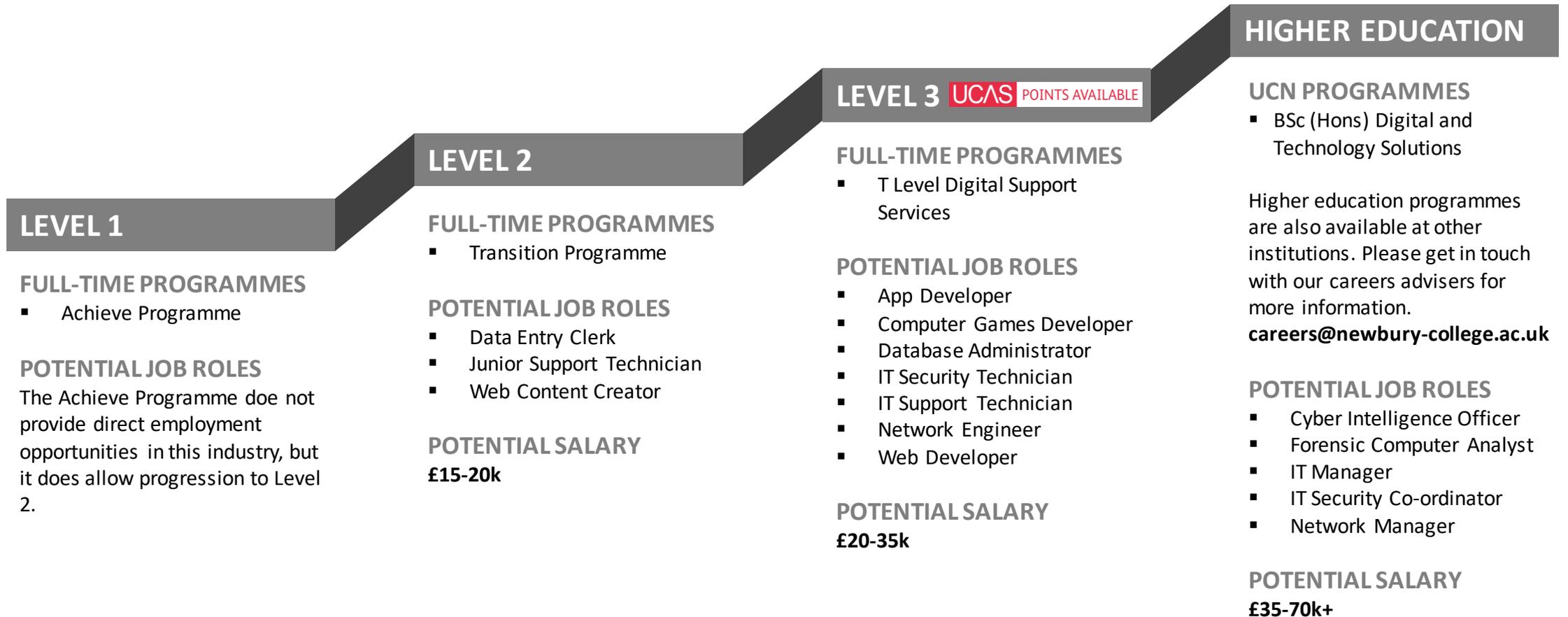
The course is assessed using a variety of methods. These include External exams, scheduled assignments, in-class tests, practical tasks, orals, written assessments and observations.

A missed assignment or assessment will lead to a fail in that unit so it is important that you complete all assessed activities.

Assessed work is initially marked by the subject tutor. A sample of that work is then checked by an internal verifier. A further sample is then assessed by an external moderator. The purpose of this procedure is not only to ensure accurate marking within the College but also to ensure your course is assessed at the same level as similar courses at other colleges.



Progression



How we can help

Tutors and support staff work closely together and with other local partners to provide you with:

- Learning support
- Progression coaching
- Health and wellbeing advice
- Financial support including free travel, meals and help with child care costs
- Careers advice
- Help with university applications



Funding your programme



Education & Skills
Funding Agency

The Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA)

The Education & Skills Funding Agency funds adult Further Education (FE) and skills training in England. It forms part of a network of organisations in England who commission, manage and promote training for adults and young people. The ESFA funds non-levy Apprenticeships (16yrs +), work placed and classroom based learning programmes throughout England for learners aged 19 and above. If you are enrolled onto an ESFA funded programme this is match funded by the European Social Fund (ESF). The ESFA also funds programmes for individuals aged 14-19 which includes the Study Programme (16-19) and Traineeships (16-18).



European Union
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You may be enrolled onto a specific ESF project which will be funded by the European Union or if you are engaged onto any of our ESFA programmes, including non levy Apprenticeships, then this will be matched funded by ESF.

Any questions?

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If you have any questions or require further information on this course or any other aspects of studying at Newbury College, please contact us.

