

HOW COLLEGE

**T-LEVELS**

*THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION*



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**TECHNICAL  
QUALIFICATION  
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HEART OF  
**WORCESTERSHIRE  
COLLEGE**

## T LEVEL TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION IN EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE

Heart of Worcestershire College will be providing T levels from September 2022. T levels are new 2 year technical study programmes, designed with employers, to give young people the skills that industry needs. T levels combine classroom theory with 750 hours industrial placement over the 2 years. The qualification will provide students with the knowledge, skills and behaviours needed to progress into skilled employment or higher education, also providing a licence to practice.

The T level programme has two key components:- a core component plus an occupational specialism – Early Years Educator.

The core component provides a high level foundation of relevant knowledge and skills. 100% of this work is externally assessed by NCFE/CACHE.

1. Wider Context.
2. Supporting Education.
3. Safeguarding, Health and Safety and Wellbeing.
4. Behaviour.
5. Parents, Families and Carers.
6. Working with others.
7. Child Development.
8. Observation and Assessment.
9. Reflective Practice.
10. Equality and Diversity
11. Special Educational Needs and Disability.
12. English as an Additional Language.

### **The occupational specialism includes the following content:-**

1. Support and promote children's play, development and early education.
2. Develop relationships with children to facilitate their development.
3. Plan, provide and review care, play and educational opportunities to enable children to progress.
4. Safeguard and promote the health, safety and wellbeing of children.
5. Work in partnership with colleagues, parents, carers and other professionals to support children's development.

The occupational specialism component is also externally assessed through synoptic assignments, except for the observation element, which is internally marked by college staff.

**The industrial placement will comprise of 750 hours over the 2 year programme. This will be planned as follows:-**

- 2 days per week from November – June in the first year
- 2 days per week from September – May in the second year
- 3 block placement weeks in the first year scheduled for November, January, and March
- 3 block placement weeks in the second year schedules for September, January, and March.

Learners will be supported in college to develop employability skills prior to starting in placement. Learners will be visited in placement by qualified assessors from the college. The assessors will need to speak to key staff to ensure that the industrial placement is going well and learners are making the required progress in their development. Staff in the setting will need to plan a suitable induction for the learner when they initially start and may be required to support the learner by signing witness testimonies.

Please see the following link to access appropriate webinars and workshops to provide support to employers.

<https://employerindustryplacements.co.uk/workshops-and-webinars/>