

**LET'S TALK  
CAREER SUCCESS**



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**2025/26**

**T LEVELS**

**EQUIVALENT TO THREE A LEVELS**

**45-DAY INDUSTRY WORK PLACEMENT**

**80% CLASSROOM, 20% WORK**

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Good  
Provider



**STOKE  
ON TRENT  
COLLEGE**

**T-LEVELS**  
THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION



# LET'S START AT THE BEGINNING...

what industry or career  
you see yourself in after  
you finish your college  
course?

Would you like to  
try it out and learn  
more about it?

Our new T Levels mean you can study and experience an extended work or industry placement to help you really develop your skills, knowledge and experience making you career-ready.

## What are T Levels?

T Levels are two-year advanced qualifications for 16–19-year-olds, designed to offer you a world class technical education.

They bring together the career focus and practical elements of professional or vocational qualifications, such as BTECs, along with the theory and study of A Levels plus an extended work placement – giving you the chance to experience the world of work and your chosen career while you continue with your studies.

Each T Level is equivalent to three A Levels, with the aim to support you to develop your skills, knowledge and behaviours to thrive in the workplace.

### DID YOU KNOW?

One T Level is  
equivalent to  
three A Levels.

These courses have been co-designed by employers and leading businesses to ensure that they meet industry needs. They will provide you with the essential knowledge and skills employers need in their workforce, giving you a competitive edge in today's job market.

T Levels are delivered using state-of-the-art, specialist facilities and industry equipment found in the workplace.

The mixture of classroom learning and 'on the job experience' through a minimum nine-week industry placement truly allows you to apply the skills developed in the classroom to a real working environment.

If you are moving on from your GCSE studies and want to develop your skills to obtain a qualification which is directly linked to a future career, then T Levels are for you!

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
A T Level  
Distinction\* is worth  
the same as three  
A\*s at A Level.

## ? What are the entry requirements?

You should be aged 16–19 and will usually need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths and English. Some of our T Levels have alternative entry requirements – visit the website [www.stokecollege.ac.uk/t-levels](http://www.stokecollege.ac.uk/t-levels) for the most up-to-date details or contact us.

## ? What if I'm not ready for the T Level this year? Or what if I don't get the grades for a T Level programme?

If you are not yet ready for this level of study, don't worry! We offer a Career Foundation T Level programme which is specifically designed to give you the skills, experience and knowledge you need to progress onto a full T Level programme the following year.

## ? How are T Levels assessed?

Assessment is through a combination of coursework, work-based observations, an employer project, some examinations and an end point assessment.

## ? Where might a T Level take me?

T Levels are designed to enable you to go straight into skilled employment, to Level 4 qualifications such as Higher Technicals, as well as providing progression to higher level Apprenticeships or degree-level study at University.

## ? How are T Levels graded?

The grading system and relevant UCAS points can be seen in the table below:

T Level grade	A Level equivalent	UCAS points
Distinction*	A* A* A*	168
Distinction	A A A	144
Merit	B B B	120
Pass (C or above on the core)	C C C	96
Pass (D or E on the core)	D D D	72



# OUR OFFER FOR 2025/26

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
The T stands for 'technical' – and your studies will include core theory, concepts and skills for a specific industry area.



## BUSINESS, MANAGEMENT & LAW 9

Business Management & Administration

## CONSTRUCTION & GREEN TECHNOLOGIES 10

Building Services for Construction –  
Plumbing & Heating Engineering

Building Services for Construction –  
Electrotechnical Engineering

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Design & Development for Engineering & Manufacturing

**DID YOU KNOW?**  
T Levels are offered  
across a range  
of different  
industries.



Ready to launch your business career? Build the skills and confidence needed to thrive in industry and achieve your business dreams!

### BUSINESS MANAGEMENT & ADMINISTRATION

#### Location

Cauldon Campus

#### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths & English.

The T Level in Business, Management & Administration is designed to equip you with the skills and knowledge essential for success in the business world. This course covers key areas such as management, marketing, finance and human resources. You'll benefit from industry placements with leading employers across the county, gaining valuable insights and real-world experience.

You will be well-prepared for higher education or immediate entry into the workforce, with a strong foundation in business principles and practices. This qualification opens doors to various career opportunities and further study in business-related fields.



Build your skills for a dynamic career in this ever-evolving industry, where hands-on learning meets real world challenges head-on!

## BUILDING SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTION – PLUMBING & HEATING ENGINEERING

### Location

Burslem Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths & English.

Step into the future of construction with this exciting new T Level qualification, designed for aspiring Plumbing & Heating Engineers. Delivered by expert teachers with extensive industry experience, this course covers building technology principles, building services engineering systems and construction methods.

You'll gain hands-on experience through a substantial work placement with one of our employer-partners, providing invaluable insights into real-world practices. This combination of theoretical learning alongside the development of practical skills paves the way for a fulfilling and impactful career.

## BUILDING SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTION – ELECTROTECHNICAL ENGINEERING

### Location

Burslem Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Science, Maths & English.

Develop your skills in electrical engineering with this T Level course, designed to equip you with a deep understanding of electrical installation and engineering in preparation for a dynamic career in electrical installation, maintenance and design.

Covering a broad range of topics including electrical principles, wiring regulations, safety procedures, and hands-on skills in electrical installation and maintenance, the T Level ensures you have the confidence and expertise the electrotechnical industry demands.





## ONSITE CONSTRUCTION – BRICKLAYING

### Location

Burslem Campus

### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths & English.

This T Level offers an advanced level qualification perfect for anyone passionate about building a career in construction. Throughout the two years you'll master setting out buildings, constructing walls and creating structures, gaining essential skills for real construction sites.

The course combines classroom learning with hands-on experience, including a substantial industry placement where you'll work alongside professional bricklayers. It's an ideal way to start your career in construction, paving the way for Apprenticeships, further education or direct employment in bricklaying. If you thrive outdoors and enjoy building from the ground up, this course offers a solid foundation for success in the industry.

## DESIGN, SURVEYING & PLANNING FOR CONSTRUCTION

### Location

Burslem Campus

### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths & English.

The construction industry is undergoing an exciting revolution, working hard to support the UK's mission to achieve net zero carbon emissions by 2050. We are training a new generation of construction professionals to design and construct our future built environment using modern methods of construction.

On this course you will work with VR, Drone and 3D scanning technology along with associated software to create designs, carry out surveying and plan construction projects whilst gaining a broad understanding of the construction industry.

## ONSITE CONSTRUCTION – CARPENTRY & JOINERY

### Location

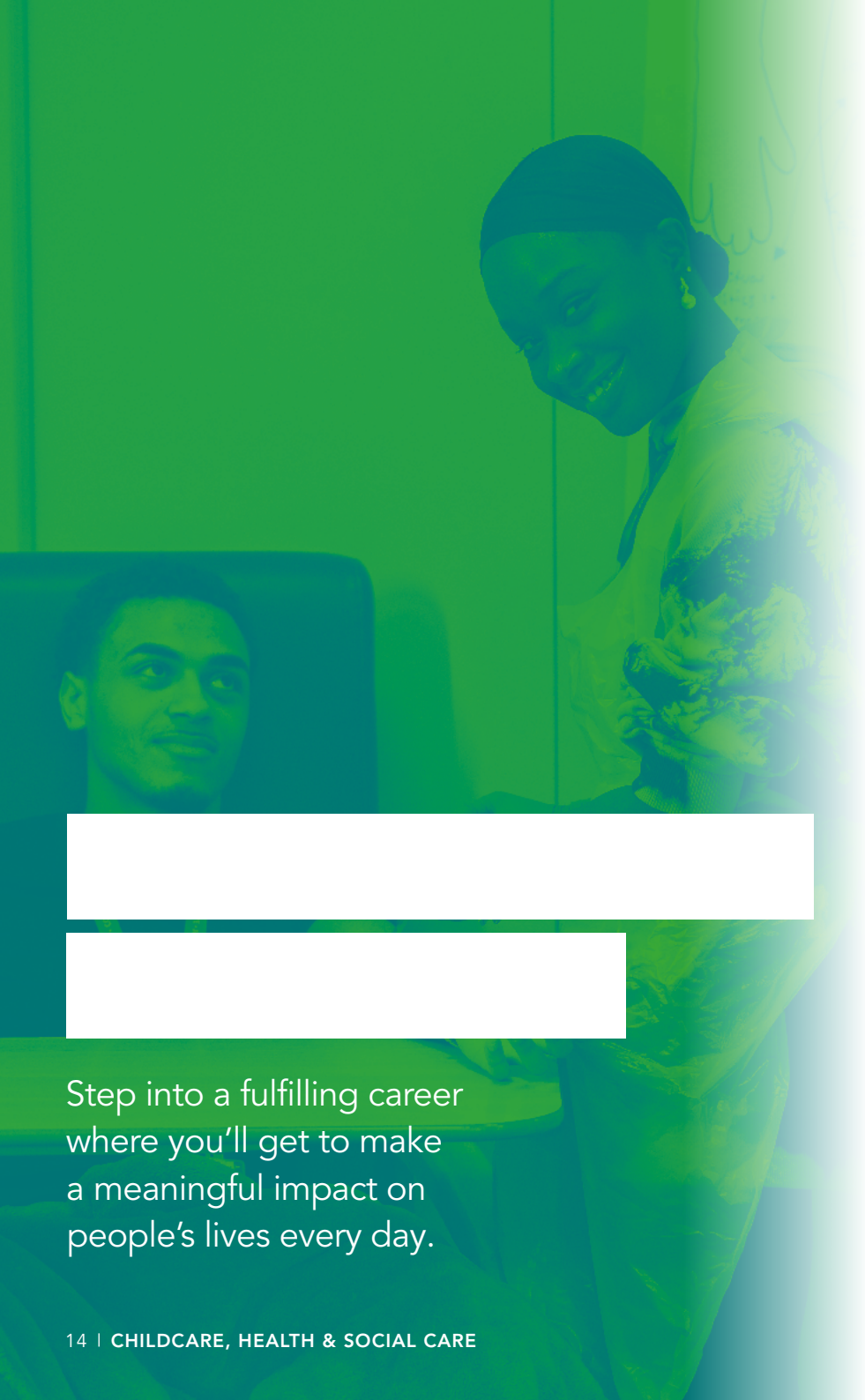
Burslem Campus

### Entry requirements

Four GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths & English.

The T Level in Onsite Construction for Carpentry and Joinery offers a thrilling two-year journey for wood enthusiasts. Delve into designing and crafting doors, staircases, kitchens, skirtings and more, while mastering essential tools and techniques. This advanced course blends classroom insights with extensive workshop practice, including significant placements alongside seasoned carpenters. It's an ideal launchpad into the construction industry, paving the way for Apprenticeships, higher education or immediate entry into carpentry and joinery roles.

If you're passionate about hands-on creation and building, seize the opportunity to sculpt your career in carpentry and joinery with this immersive course!



Step into a fulfilling career where you'll get to make a meaningful impact on people's lives every day.

## EDUCATION & CHILDCARE

### Location

Cauldon Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Science, Maths & English.

Advance your early years career with our T Level qualification. This in-depth course is designed to prepare you for a career in early childhood education and care. Covering essential topics such as child development, educational theory, safeguarding, and health and safety, this qualification blends classroom learning with substantial industry placements. You will gain both theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience in early years settings, ensuring you're well-prepared to support young children's growth and development.

Ideal for those pursuing higher education or roles such as Early Years Educator, Nursery Assistant or Childcare Practitioner, this course sets you on a path to success.

## HEALTH – ADULT NURSING

### Location

Cauldon Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Science, Maths & English.

Start your journey towards a career in adult nursing with this T Level qualification. This in-depth course is designed to equip you with the essential skills and knowledge needed for success in the sector.

Dive deep into essential topics including good scientific and clinical practice, standard operating procedures, equipment management and health & safety protocols. Through a blend of classroom learning and substantial industry placements, you'll gain invaluable industry insights and hands-on experience. Whether you're pursuing higher education or progressing into employment, this qualification ensures you're well-prepared to provide compassionate and effective care to adult patients with a wide range of health conditions.





## HEALTH – PAEDIATRIC NURSING

### Location

Cauldon Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Science, Maths & English.

Take your next step towards a rewarding career in children's nursing with our T Level qualification. This in-depth course is designed to prepare you for a successful career in the sector.

Dive deep into critical subjects including infection prevention control, supporting paediatric nursing teams and performing clinical tasks with confidence and skill. This qualification blends classroom learning with substantial industry placements, equipping you with both the theoretical knowledge and invaluable hands-on experience in a variety of settings, ensuring you're well-prepared to provide for the unique needs of young patients. Ideal for those pursuing higher education or progressing to employment.

## HEALTH – MIDWIFERY

### Location

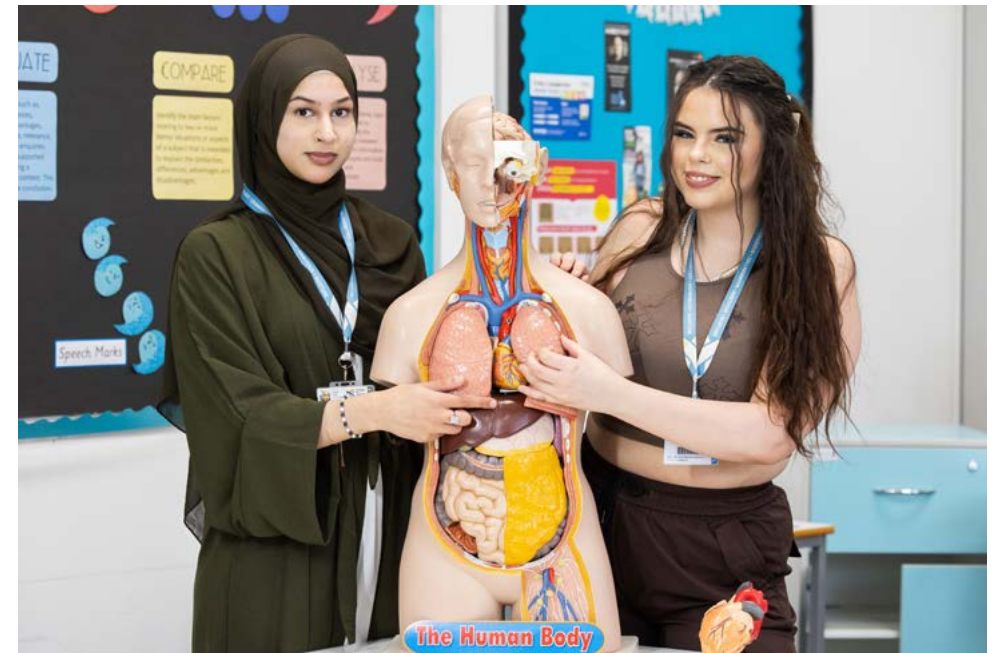
Cauldon Campus


### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Science, Maths & English.

Advance your midwifery career with our T Level qualification. This in-depth course is designed to prepare you for a thriving career in the sector. Delving into essential topics such as infection prevention control, person centred care, assisting the midwifery team and care of newborn babies, this qualification blends classroom learning with substantial industry placements.

You will gain both theoretical knowledge and hands-on experience in a variety of settings, ensuring you're well-prepared to support prenatal, childbirth and postnatal care. Ideal for those pursuing higher education or progressing to employment.





Explore the exhilarating creative world, where your imagination meets innovation to bring your ideas to life!

## DIGITAL – SOFTWARE CODING & DEVELOPMENT

### Location

Cauldon Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths & English.

You will have a pre-induction interview to make sure this is the right level for you.

Are you passionate about software development?

This T Level course specialises in software application development with a focus on Python, combining 80% classroom learning with 20% industry placement, offering hands-on experience in state-of-the-art facilities.

You'll also develop crucial soft skills like teamwork, problem-solving and communication, essential for any professional setting. Completing this course earns you a Level 3 qualification, equivalent to three A Levels, paving the way for university and employment opportunities. A substantial industrial placement is a key component, ensuring you're job-ready upon completion of the course. Explore your future in software development with us!

## MEDIA BROADCAST & PRODUCTION

### Location

Cauldon Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Maths & English.

You will have an interview/assessment to make sure this is the right level for you.

Are you interested in a career in media, film or TV?

This T Level course is a great choice covering a wide range of advanced skills from working with the latest software and equipment in our studios to mastering camera work and audio/visual capture. You will get to specialise in content creation, preparing you for real-world careers. You will also experience a substantial work placement to enable you to put your skills into practice.

When you complete this course you will be ready for roles such as Content Creator, Video Technician or Studio Assistant. You can also choose to further your studies with higher technical qualifications, university, or even higher-level Apprenticeships. It is a perfect way to kickstart your career in media!





Through innovative technology and state-of-the-art equipment, our courses pave the way for a thriving career!

#### DID YOU KNOW?

T Levels are designed in collaboration with employers and leading businesses.

## DESIGN & DEVELOPMENT FOR ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING

### Location

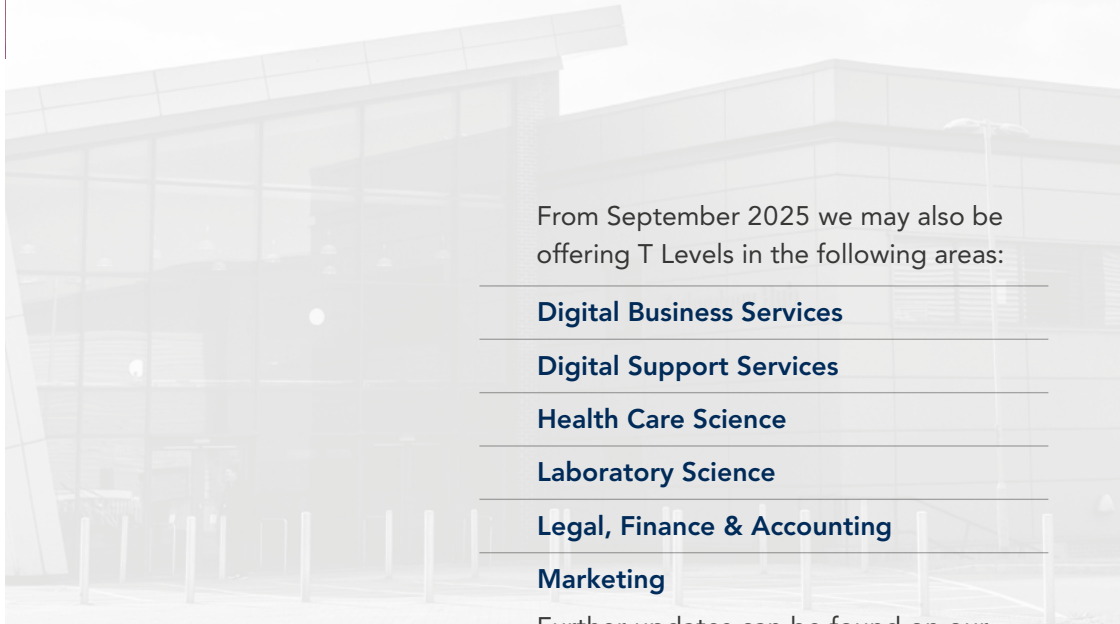
Burslem Campus

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including Science, Maths & English.

Are you passionate about shaping the future of engineering and manufacturing? This course is your gateway to a career in design and development, opening doors to exciting roles like CAD Technician or 3D Printing Technician and much more.

Throughout the course you'll develop essential knowledge and skills vital for success in the engineering industry. You will learn how materials, conditions and context influence design processes and products. From mastering mathematics and material properties to gaining insights into business and financial awareness, you'll be equipped with a rewarding career in the modern engineering landscape.



From September 2025 we may also be offering T Levels in the following areas:

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**Digital Business Services**

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**Digital Support Services**

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**Health Care Science**

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**Laboratory Science**

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**Legal, Finance & Accounting**

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**Marketing**

Further updates can be found on our website during the year – please see [stokecollege.ac.uk/t-levels](https://stokecollege.ac.uk/t-levels) for details.

# BUSTING THE MYTHS

## T LEVELS ARE JUST AN UNPAID APPRENTICESHIP.

False! If you choose to study a T Level programme you will spend 20% of your time on industry placement and 80% in the classroom. With an Apprenticeship this is reversed – so you would spend 80% of your time in the workplace 20% of your time in the classroom.

## T LEVELS ARE FOR PEOPLE WHO AREN'T ACADEMIC.

False! T Levels are for anyone who wants to get the skills they need to get a job in a variety of interesting and exciting industries.

T Levels still involve a proportion of academic study similarly to A Levels, however with T Levels, you'll also gain real life experience of the industry you're preparing for! Each

module has been designed to reflect what is happening in your chosen industry right now and predicts trends for the future – equipping you with everything you need to enter the working world after your studies.

## T LEVELS ARE JUST REBRANDED BTECS.

False! While T Levels are replacing certain BTEC courses in some areas, there are significant differences between T Levels and BTEC study. The purpose is very similar, in that T Levels are designed to help you gain the skills needed for your chosen career, but they also have a much greater focus on work experience.

T Levels also differ from BTECs as they have been designed and developed with the help of industry professionals and crafted to the specific requirements of the industry.

## YOU CAN'T PROGRESS ONTO UNIVERSITY WITH T LEVELS.

False! T Levels prepare you to progress into a skilled job, but they also provide you with the qualifications needed to pursue further education such as a degree or a Higher Apprenticeship. One T Level is equivalent to three A Levels, and as long as you get the points needed for your chosen university, there is nothing stopping you from progressing to higher education.

## T LEVEL STUDENTS WILL STRUGGLE TO GET A JOB.

False – quite the opposite in fact! T Levels are designed to meet the current and future needs of the job market, so having a T Level can actually make you more employable. As part of your T Level, you'll spend a minimum of 45 days (a total of nine weeks) with a business, gaining valuable industry experience alongside seasoned professionals, building your industry connections

### DID YOU KNOW?

T Levels are accepted as entry qualifications for university degrees.

and networking with potential employers, further increasing your chances of employability post-study.

The placement allows you to put into practice the things you have learnt in the classroom and gives you the opportunity to further develop your skills and knowledge, take part in meaningful projects and business activities, and try out your potential career path. Having this hands-on experience will be highly attractive to many employers.

## T LEVELS ARE ONLY FOR PEOPLE WHO WANT TO DO A TRADE.

False! T Levels provide a pathway into many more careers than you'd expect – and not just in the trades. Stoke on Trent College offers T Levels in Media, Adult Nursing, Business Administration, Engineering, Digital Production, Midwifery and much more.

All information contained within this guide was correct at the time of print, variations may occur. Please visit [stokecollege.ac.uk](https://stokecollege.ac.uk) for the latest information and course updates.



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