

Computing, Digital and IT

Digital and IT Skills Certificate (T Level Foundation) Level 2 Full-time

In Brief

Start Date / Duration	Entry Requirements	You will achieve
<p>This study programme starts in September 2025 and runs for one year.</p>	<p>Four GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English and Maths. Where applicants do not meet the entry requirements, the tutor may use their discretion based on a good personal reference and/or successful interview.</p> <p>If you don't currently meet these entry requirements, you may be able to study a Level 1 Foundation Learning course.</p>	<p>Level 1 Essential Digital Skills Level 1 BTEC in Personal Growth and Wellbeing Level 2 Technical in IT Support</p>

Course Overview

The Digital Foundation T Level covers essential digital skills, including current and emerging technologies, the role of IT Support and how to make systems secure. It prepares students for a Level 3 T Level through a combination of foundational knowledge, technical skills and practical experience.

Course Content

The T Level Foundation year prepares students for further study in the digital sector through a combination of technical skills, employability training, and foundational knowledge. The course is assessed with two exams and internally assessed coursework, ensuring a comprehensive understanding of the subject matter.

Course themes:

This course ensures you have the breadth of skills required to progress on to apprenticeships, employment or Higher Education, covering topics such as:

- Cybersecurity
- Databases
- Digital Project
- Networking
- Programming
- Spreadsheets

How will I be assessed?

In year one, you will take two paper-based exams and undertake an employer set project.

In year two, you will complete an occupational specialist project set by industry partners.

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

What Equipment Will I Need?

Please bring a folder, paper, pens and pencil. While a personal laptops is not required, it is beneficial.

Where will I study?

SciTech Digital Innovation Centre
Falcon Street
Barnsley
S70 2EY

What can I do next?

Upon completion, you could progress onto a T-Level full time programme or apprenticeship.

See what careers are available in the Computing

[<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2023/10/Computing-careers-2023-24.pdf>] and Games

[<https://www.barnsley.ac.uk/app/uploads/2023/10/Games-Design-careers-2023-24.pdf>] sectors. 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 01226 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 Honeywell 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. Call 01226 216 769 for further information.

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 hold a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths, you will automatically be included in your study programme. If you want to work towards achieving a higher grade in English and Maths, we can help you do that too and we offer Level 3 Mathematical Studies (Core Maths) which can be added to your study programme.

If you're aged 19 or above and don't hold a a grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths we can help. We offer FREE English and Maths qualifications that can be studied on a part-time basis, subject to eligibility.

If you need any further information, please contact our Information Team by calling 01226 216 123 or emailing info@barnsley.ac.uk [<mailto:info@barnsley.ac.uk>]

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**