

Which College Option is Right for Me?

A-Levels

- ✓ I would like to keep my options open.
- ✓ I would like to mix and match options and take multiple subjects (e.g. History, Psychology, and Art).
- ✓ I like being assessed through exams.
- ✓ I enjoy traditional classroom learning.
- ✓ I am expecting grades 4 and above for at least 5 subjects (note that requirements may be higher for certain subjects such as Maths and certain Sciences).

T-Levels

80% classroom 20% work experience

- ✓ I like the idea of gaining work experience while I learn.
- ✓ I would like to focus on one occupational area because the careers in this industry interest me.
- ✓ I find that a balance of hands on learning combined with classroom learning suits me best.
- ✓ I am expecting grades 4/5* and above in my GCSEs (if this is not the case, transition or pre T-Levels could be another option).
- ✓ I like the idea of part of my assessment being an employer-set project.
- ✓ I would like a job that relates to a specific T-Level.

***Requirements for T-Levels vary. Be sure to check you have what you need for your chosen course and check multiple colleges.**

Vocational and Technical

- ✓ I work best when using my practical skills or working with my hands.
- ✓ I really like the style of BTEC subjects I have taken in school.
- ✓ I would like the option to focus on one course or mix and match (e.g. mix with A-Levels or other vocational courses).
- ✓ I prefer to be assessed through coursework or combined assessment methods.
- ✓ I would like the option to come in at a lower level if I do not quite get my 4s in Maths and English*.

***Requirements for Vocational courses vary so be sure to check requirements carefully. Some Vocational courses start at Level 1 (can enter with 1s, 2s, or sometimes no GCSEs), Level 2 (requires 3s), and Level 3 (requires 4s)**



I am expecting fewer than 5 GCSEs at Grades 4 and above

- Foundation/Pathways Course (Pre-Level 1)
- Pre-T Transition T-Levels
- Vocational/Technical Level 2 (requires 3s)
- Vocational/Technical Level 1 (0-2s required)
- Intermediate Apprenticeship (Level 2)
- Supported Internship (If you have an EHCP)
- Traineeship

I am expecting 5 or more GCSEs 4 and above

- A-Levels
- T-Levels
- Vocational/Technical (Level 3, Level 2)
- Intermediate Apprenticeship (Level 2)
- Advanced Apprenticeship (Level 3)