

# Learn. Discover. Grow.



We focus on your needs and aspirations to make sure that methods and levels of study are best suited to you, as well as working with you to boost your confidence and underpinning skills for work and life.

As well as your core programme of study with us, you'll gain a number of skills, including English and maths, as well as digital skills to give you a competitive edge as you progress into work or further training.

## All Northumberland Skills learners gain access to:

- A more hands on way of learning to give you practical skills and knowledge
- Qualifications that are recognised worldwide
- Excellent pastoral and academic support from our dedicated staff
- Progression to further or higher education, or employment
- A learning environment to help you reach your true potential
- Skills and experience to give you the best start to progress to your future career

## English and maths

If you have not yet achieved a grade 4 or above, you'll also work towards a GCSE or Functional Skills qualification as part of your course. If you have a grade 3 in GCSE English and/or maths, you will continue to develop your skills through GCSE sessions. If you have lower than a grade 3 in GCSE English and/or maths, you will study Functional Skills then progress to GCSE.

## Study skills and tutorial with experience of work and work experience

Tutorial and study skills will complement your accredited course and provide wrap around support. This includes topics such as:

- Employability skills
- Finances
- Interview skills
- The world of work

Pastoral support will assist you to develop the skills needed for independent study and help with completion of coursework. One-to-one support is also available to offer individual support on an ongoing basis.

Leadership and enterprise skills alongside health, wellbeing, and confidence, ensure that your professional and personal development are prioritised alongside your studies. Experience of work and work experience relating to your vocational area is a vital component to boost knowledge and transferable skills.

## Study Programme Information

All learners will study:

- A vocational qualification
- English & maths (if not already achieved)
- Study skills
- Tutorial
- Experience of work/Work experience
- Enrichment activities



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# Introduction to Vocational Skills (Step 2)

Supported education beyond 16 - Study programme information

## KEY FACTS

<b>Qualification title and level:</b>	Diploma in Occupational Studies for the Workplace (Entry 3)
<b>Awarding organisation:</b>	NCFE
<b>Duration:</b>	36 weeks (full-time)
<b>Study location(s):</b>	Alnwick / Prudhoe

### Who is this course for and what will I gain?

The programme is aimed at young people between 16-24 years, with an EHC plan. This qualification is ideal for you if you're looking to develop new skills or get into a new industry and would like to get a taste of the skills and knowledge required. The range of units available allows you to focus on one occupational area or experience a variety of disciplines.

### What units will I study?

Completion of this qualification will provide you with the knowledge and skills required to progress to a specific competence-based vocational qualification, e.g. a National Vocational Qualification (NVQ). These are grouped into 4 occupational pathways and provide you with an introduction to an occupational area:

- Construction
- Digital
- Business Admin
- Childcare

### How and where will I study?

Classroom delivery at Alnwick / Prudhoe campuses.

### What are the entry requirements?

You don't need to have any specific prior learning to take this qualification, but you might find it useful if you've already completed an entry qualification in a relevant area.

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment will consist of a portfolio of evidence which demonstrates achievement of 100% of the learning outcomes associated with each unit.

The evidence could include worksheets, practical work, assignments, assessor observation and your proof of work.

### Progression and careers:

This qualification will provide you with the foundation knowledge that can be applied to a variety of job roles; however, it will not qualify you for a specific job. Progression to further learning within the Further Education sector is also possible and there are many qualifications available to learners that will offer you a broad choice of options.

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