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**T-LEVELS**

**HARLOW  
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2021/22

# T-LEVELS

## THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

T Levels are new technical courses which will follow GCSEs and will be equivalent to 3 A Levels. They take 2 years to complete.

T Levels combine classroom theory, practical learning and an industry placement of at least 315 hours (45 days) with an employer to provide real experience of the workplace.

Around 80% of time will be spent in the classroom and 20% on placement. This differs to an Apprenticeship, which is typically 80% in the workplace and 20% in the classroom. Industry placements can be undertaken as a block, as individual days, or a combination of the two.

T Levels provide the knowledge and experience needed to open the door into skilled employment, further study or an Apprenticeship.

Harlow College will be offering T Levels, starting in September 2021, in the following areas:


- ➔ **Design, Surveying & Planning for Construction**
- ➔ **Digital Infrastructure**
- ➔ **Early Years Education & Childcare**
- ➔ **Electrotechnical Engineering**
- ➔ **Laboratory Sciences**
- ➔ **Supporting Healthcare**

For students who are not ready to study a Level 3 T Level but have the potential to progress, a Level 2 programme of study is available. These programmes are full-time and have been specifically designed to develop the skills, experience, knowledge and behaviours to support progression onto a Level 3 T Level.

***DESIGNED WITH EMPLOYERS***



***FOR YOU TO GET AHEAD***



# ***DESIGN, SURVEYING & PLANNING FOR CONSTRUCTION***

## **ABOUT THE COURSE**

You will study a range of topics such as design principles, project management and health and safety.

You'll also learn about the commercial side of construction, including stakeholder management, business structures and entrepreneurship.

And as the construction industry is always evolving, you'll dive into the world of digital technology, innovation and sustainability, to understand how the industry will be shaped in the future.

You'll then study the Surveying and Design specialism designed to support your interests, so you can get deeper into your chosen subject and build up the skills you need for your future job.

## **WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?**

Following a T Level, you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship.

## **CAREER OPTIONS:**

Might include becoming a:

- Surveyor
- Civil Engineer
- Town Planner

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# ***DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE***

## **ABOUT THE COURSE**

You will learn the essentials of digital infrastructure by understanding networking and digital security systems.

You'll get to install and configure both physical and virtual infrastructure and understand relevant security, testing, planning and legal issues.

You'll then study the Digital Infrastructure specialism designed to support your interests, so you can get deeper into your chosen subject and build up the skills you need for your future job.

## **WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?**

Following a T Level, you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship.

## **CAREER OPTIONS:**

Might include:

- Cloud Technology
- Cyber Security
- Digital Services Architect

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# ***EARLY YEARS EDUCATION & CHILDCARE***

## **ABOUT THE COURSE**

You will study a range of topics such as child development, safeguarding and special educational needs; as well as your understanding of the role of families and support agencies. You'll also dive into the specifics of social interaction, behaviour, and how language is acquired, as well as build your skills in becoming a reflective practitioner.

You'll then study the Early Years Education specialism designed to support your interests, so you

can get deeper into your chosen subject and build up the skills you need for your future job.

## **WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?**

Following a T Level, you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship.

## **CAREER OPTIONS:**

Might include becoming a:

- Teacher
- Teaching Assistant
- Early Years Practitioner

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# ***ELECTROTECHNICAL ENGINEERING***

## **ABOUT THE COURSE**

You will study a range of topics such as construction design principles, sustainability principles, digital technology in construction, construction commercial/business principles, and maintenance principles.

You'll then study the Electrotechnical Engineering specialism designed to support your interests, so you can get deeper into your chosen subject and build up the skills you need for your future job.

## **WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?**

Following a T Level, you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship.

## **CAREER OPTIONS:**

Might include becoming a:

- Electrician
- Plumbing and Domestic Heating Technician

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# ***LABORATORY SCIENCES***

## **ABOUT THE COURSE**

You will study a range of topics such as health, safety and environmental regulations in the health and science sector, good scientific and clinical practice, core science concepts, scientific methodology, experimental equipment and techniques and ethics.

You'll then study the Laboratory Science specialism designed to support your interests, so you can get deeper into your chosen subject and build up the skills you need for your future job.

## **WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?**

Following a T Level, you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship.

## **CAREER OPTIONS:**

Might include becoming a:

- Technical Support Scientist

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# ***SUPPORTING HEALTHCARE***

## **ABOUT THE COURSE**

You will study a range of topics such as the principles of good scientific and clinical practice; as well as standard operating procedures, management of equipment and work areas, and the importance of quality standards, health and safety. Supporting Healthcare is critical, not only for the delivery of current healthcare, but also to develop innovative tests and treatments for the future.

You'll then study the Supporting Healthcare specialism designed to support your

interests, so you can get deeper into your chosen subject and build up the skills you need for your future job.

## **WHERE COULD THE COURSE TAKE ME?**

Following a T Level, you could progress straight into a skilled profession or continue your studies with a degree or higher apprenticeship.

## **CAREER OPTIONS:**

Might include becoming a:

- General Nurse
- Midwife
- Mental Health Nurse
- Pediatric Nurse
- Theatre Nurse

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# Frequently Asked Questions

## WHAT ARE T LEVELS?

T Levels are new technical courses which will follow GCSEs and will be equivalent to 3 A Levels.

T Levels combine classroom theory, practical learning and an industry placement of at least 45 days with an employer to make sure students have real experience of the workplace.

## WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A T LEVEL AND THE OTHER COURSES WE OFFER?

T Levels are ideal for learners who are looking for a more technical route into skilled employment, further study or an apprenticeship.

T Levels are a technical alternative to A Levels and prepare learners for technical careers.

You'll spend 80% of your time in the classroom and 20% on a 45-day placement with an employer to give you the skills and knowledge companies look for.

## WHAT QUALIFICATION WILL I GET?

When you pass your T Level, you will get a nationally recognised certificate showing the overall grade you achieved - pass, merit, distinction or distinction\*.

It will also give details of what you learned on the course to help you move into skilled employment or a higher apprenticeship.

## CAN I STILL GO TO UNIVERSITY AFTER MY T LEVEL?

Absolutely! Your T Level will be worth UCAS points - a T Level Distinction\* is worth the same as 3 A Levels at A\* - and will be recognised by universities and other education providers so you can choose to continue studying if you wish.

## WHAT'S AN INDUSTRY PLACEMENT?

T Levels include 315 hours (approximately 45 days) of industry placement with an employer, allowing you to gain valuable workplace experience.

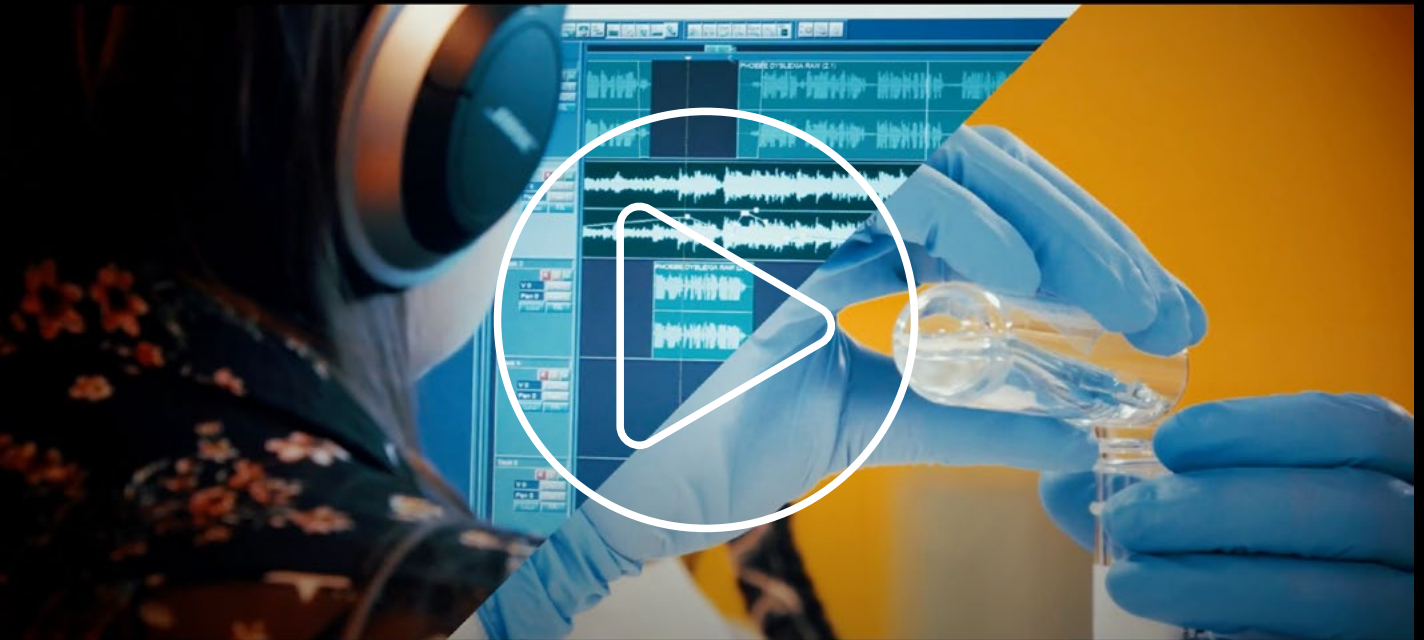
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This differs to an Apprenticeship, which is typically 80% in the workplace and 20% in the classroom.

Industry placements can be undertaken as a block, as individual days, or a combination of the two.

**80%**  
**CLASSROOM**  
**20%**  
**WORKPLACE** 

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# APPLY ONLINE



You can apply online any day, any time.

**1. Go to our T Levels web page ➡**

**2. Choose a T Level course**

**3. Click 'Apply' and complete the application form**

## **Need a little extra advice?**

Speak to our Admissions Advisers for more information.

- **admissions@harlow-college.ac.uk**
- **01279 868100**



# OPEN DAYS

We are working to deliver virtual open events in 2021.

The best place to keep up to date with our news and events is on our website and our social media channels.



In the meantime,  
how about a virtual  
tour of our campus? →



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