

BTEC HIGHER NATIONALS

Built for the real world

Higher education that works for you.

Not sure university is your thing? Want a practical route that helps you build skills, gain confidence and keep your options open?

BTEC Higher Nationals are career-focused Level 4 and Level 5 qualifications designed to help you move towards work, further study or a full degree.

Why choose a Higher National?

- **Real-world skills**
Learn by doing, with practical projects connected to real industries.
- **The smart way to get hired**
Build skills employers are actually looking for.
- **Different route. Same destination.**
Move into skilled employment or top up to a degree later.
- **Learning that fits your life**
Study options may include full-time, part-time or blended learning, depending on your provider.
- **More control over your future**
Build your next step in a way that works for you.



Learning is changing

From January 2027, the **Lifelong Learning Entitlement (LLE)** will support more flexible access to higher-level learning for eligible learners in England. That means students may have more ways to build skills over time, when the time is right.

Ask your tutor or careers adviser about BTEC Higher Nationals.

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