

LEVELS OF EDUCATION

Level	Qualification/Educational Route				
8	Doctorate (PHD)		NVQ 8		
7	Masters Degree (MA)		Degree Apprenticeship / NVQ 5, 6, 7		
6	Bachelors Degree (BA)				
5	Foundation Degree (FdA or FdSc)	Higher National Diploma (HND)			
4	Higher National Certificate (HNC)		Higher Apprenticeship / NVQ 4		
3	A Levels Grades A-E	International Baccalaureate	T Levels	BTEC Diploma / BTEC Certificate	Advanced Apprenticeship / NVQ 3
2	GCSE Grades 4-9 (C, B, A or A*)		BTEC First Diploma		Intermediate Apprenticeship / NVQ 2
1	GCSE Grades 1-3 (D, E, F or G)		Foundation Diploma / Entry Level Qualifications		Traineeship / NVQ 1

The levels give an indication of what each qualification is worth and it is important to remember that you could move up a level and across into a different column in some cases.