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Level 3 Award in Education and Training

Dates: 07/10/2026, 05/02/2027

Locations: Lisson Grove Centre

Do you want a career in teaching? Are you already working as a trainer, instructor or as a Learning Support Assistant and would like to further your qualifications? Maybe you are a little unsure about your next steps so would like to get a taste of the profession without fully committing to a year-long course. The Level 3 Award in Education and Training is exactly what you are looking for (Please note you will need to evidence level 2 qualifications in English and Maths). This introductory course will offer you the chance to learn about the basics of the classroom and the role and responsibilities of a teacher. Working with your classmates and tutor in a supportive, collegiate environment, you will start to develop the skills required for a career in the classroom, both face-to-face and in the online or hybrid classroom. We will ensure your first steps into the profession are well-informed, with input from skilled practitioners across WAES. So, if you want to spend your days up on your feet, in front of a classroom, inspiring learners to fulfil their potential, apply today for our next course dates.

Entry Requirements

This is a Level 3 course, and applicants will need to have Functional Skills Level 2 in English and Maths or a grade 4 in GCSE English and Maths AND a minimum of a Level 3 in the subject/s they wish to teach to undertake this qualification. You do not need to have any prior experience or qualifications in teaching to apply for this course. All applicants will be required to undertake an initial assessment in English, Maths and ICT (Digital) Skills regardless of prior qualifications as teachers need to be able to embed this common core in their own subject areas. The initial assessments will allow us to determine an action plan on what areas trainee teachers should focus on as part of their professional development.

What topics does the course cover?

The Level 3 Award introduces you to the knowledge and skills required by teachers in the further education and skills sector: Unit 1: Understanding the roles, responsibilities and relationships in education and training, Unit 2: Understanding and using inclusive teaching and learning approaches in education and training (includes a 15 minute micro-teach on a subject of your choice), Unit 5: Understanding assessment in education and training.

How will I be taught and assessed?

Delivered by our highly experienced team of tutors, you will develop your theoretical knowledge as well as have regular opportunities to put your emerging teaching skills into practice. You will be taught mostly in a face-to-face classroom, although some delivery will be online in order to support your development as a confident teacher in the online or hybrid classroom. This

will include learning about MS Teams and how to use some of the necessary functions for effective online delivery, for example: using the chat effectively for contributions, breakout rooms for collaboration, and quizzes and polls for feedback. You will be assessed through written and spoken assessments which you will upload into an online portfolio. There is also a practical element to the assessment. This will include delivering a 15-minute micro teach session and completion of a minimum of 45-minutes of peer observations. Your work will be internally and externally verified to ensure all the criteria are met.

Are there any other costs or equipment I need to get?

A key part of the journey to becoming a teacher is developing good organisational skills, so folders with dividers and document pockets will be essential to organise any notes and worksheets. You will also need access to a laptop or PC and have Wifi. Some delivery will be online in order to prepare you for the online and hybrid teaching world, plus, you will benefit from this for easy completion and uploading of assessments.

By the end of the course what should I be able to do?

This course provides the first steps towards further teacher training as well as a range of progression routes into teaching and/or other training roles and employment. You will also leave the course with greater confidence in your presentation and communication skills, plus, your digital skills will have improved with our focus on online and hybrid delivery during part of the course.

What are the progression opportunities following this course?

You will be qualified to seek employment in the post-16 sector. The options are numerous: Level 4 Certificate Education & Training (CET), Level 5 Diploma Education & Training (DET), Lev 3 Assessor Qualifications, Level 4 Internal Quality Assurance (IQA) Qualifications, Teaching Assistant, Learning Mentor, Industry Trainer, Teacher, Lecturer,?? Instructor/Demonstrator, Assessor/Verifier, Distance Learning Tutor, Personal Tutor, You could also consider some more specialist training courses to support your Level 3 qualification. These examples, along with many others, can be accessed via WAES' Distance Learning Provision: Understanding Autism (Level 2) , Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties (Level 2), Understanding Behaviour that Challenges (Level 2)