



Level 3 Certificate in Coding Practices (Online)

Dates:

Locations:

For Greater London residents, these courses can be funded if they earn less than the London Living Wage or otherwise do not already have a Level 3 qualification, alongside the standard residency requirements.

This course has a duration of 26 weeks and its purpose is to provide learners with sector awareness. It will provide the learner with a chance to develop knowledge and skills relating to coding practices with the view to seeking employment or proceeding to further study in this area. This qualification is designed for learners who want to increase their knowledge, skills and understanding of coding.

Entry Requirements

This is a Level 3 course and is designed for those looking to consolidate their knowledge of coding and learn practical skills which can be used to seek work or proceed into study at Level 4. Learners should have completed a Level 2 qualification in either IT or Coding. Work/industry placement experience is not required.

What topics does the course cover?

To be awarded the Level 3 Certificate in Coding Practices, learners must successfully complete 5 mandatory units:

- Coding requirements and planning
- Understand coding design
- Implementation or coding
- Software testing
- Understand deployment, maintenance and configuration management

How will I be taught and assessed?

You will be provided with online learning materials which cover all aspects of your course therefore, you will need internet access so that you can respond to email and a digital device that will enable you to type your answers into a web-based platform. You will be required to complete assessments for each of the units within the course and submit these by the deadline dates provided at induction. You will be allocated an assessor at the start of your course and they will support you to ensure you have a successful outcome. IT skills will be developed throughout your course and basic English skills will be assessed and discussed on an ongoing basis.

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

Have English at Level 2 and there will be an initial interview and English Initial Assessment to discuss the eligibility criteria. The course is free if you meet the eligibility criteria. In order to be eligible for funding, you must be an ordinarily resident in England and be aged 19 or older on 31 August 2026. You will need internet access so that you can respond to email and a digital device that will enable you to type your answers into a web-based platform. If you are not eligible for a free course, you can still undertake the course and pay for it yourself or by taking out a learner loan.

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

Successful completion of the required units will allow the learner to develop in-depth knowledge, skills and understanding of coding practices. It will also support progression into relevant employment and further study in coding.

What are the progression opportunities following this course?

Learners who achieve this qualification could progress to:

Level 4 Certificate in IT

Level 4 Diploma in Software Development

Software Development Technician apprenticeship