



Post-16 reforms: what we've submitted for cycle one

As the experts in technical education, we're working to create new opportunities and we're here to support the sector through this period of change. Our specialists are working in collaboration with the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE) to devise exceptional technical products that will meet the needs of providers, employers and learners. We've submitted qualifications in the following areas for cycle one.

Level 3 These qualifications have now been approved by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education's Approvals Committee but they're still subject to funding approval from the Department for Education*.

Technical Occupational Qualifications (adult only)	Technical Specialist Qualifications (16-19 and adult)	Small Alternative Academic Qualifications (16-19 and adult)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyber Security • Data • Digital Support • Early Years Education • Montessori Pedagogy • Supporting Teaching and Learning • Healthcare Support • Dental Nursing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Educational Needs Co-ordination in Early Years Settings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and Social Care

Level 2 These qualifications are pending approval by the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education's Approvals Committee, and funding approval from the Department for Education**.

Technical Occupational Qualifications (16-19 and adult)	Technical Specialist Qualifications (16-19 and adult)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthcare Support • Early Years Practitioner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Technology Enabled Care • Mental Health in the Early Years • SEND for the Early Years Setting • Adverse Childhood Experiences in Early Years • Early Years Neuroscience • Early Years Nutrition • Designated Safeguarding Officers

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